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CBP Issues Veterans Day and Remembrance Day Travel Advisory

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Pembina, N.D. — U.S. Customs and Border Protection is reminding travelers planning trips across the border into the United States to make sure they have their proper documents and to anticipate possible heavy traffic during the observance of Veterans Day in the United States and Remembrance Day in Canada, both holidays are observed on November 11. Travelers are reminded of few simple steps they can employ to cross the border.

1. Plan your trip and allow extra time for crossing the border. Consult the CBP Web site to monitor border wait times and review the "Know Before You Go" tip sheet. ([Know Before You Go](#))
2. Avoid peak travel times when at all possible. The heaviest traffic periods are typically between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m.
3. Be prepared to show proof of citizenship and identity to enter the United States. This can include a passport, trusted traveler program card, an enhanced driver's license or a birth certificate with a conventional driver's license. Travelers 18 and under can present just a birth certificate.
4. Be advised that if you are crossing at a port of entry that has a NEXUS lane, only those travelers that possess NEXUS cards and have the card in their possession may utilize the NEXUS lane when it is operational.
5. Travelers are advised to declare all agriculture products including firewood and kindling, and those who are transporting either are subject to additional inspection by CBP agriculture specialists. If your firewood and/or kindling are suspected to contain any harmful pests it will be refused at the border and you may be required to return it home or otherwise properly dispose of it. Failure to declare agriculture products, including firewood and kindling will result in delays and can incur on the spot civil penalties.

U.S. Customs and Border Protection is the unified border agency within the Department of Homeland Security charged with the management, control and protection of our nation's borders at and between the official ports of entry. CBP is charged with keeping terrorists and terrorist weapons out of the country while enforcing hundreds of U.S. laws.

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