

Storm Data and Unusual Weather Phenomena - March 2017

Location	Date/Time	Deaths & Injuries	Property & Crop Dmg	Event Type and Details
NORTH DAKOTA, Central and West				
(ND-Z001) DIVIDE, (ND-Z009) WILLIAMS				
	03/06/17 09:00 CST	0		Heavy Snow
	03/06/17 17:00 CST	0		
(ND-Z018) DUNN, (ND-Z019) MERCER, (ND-Z020) OLIVER, (ND-Z021) MCLEAN, (ND-Z022) SHERIDAN, (ND-Z023) WELLS, (ND-Z025) FOSTER, (ND-Z031) GOLDEN VALLEY, (ND-Z032) BILLINGS, (ND-Z033) STARK, (ND-Z034) MORTON, (ND-Z035) BURLEIGH, (ND-Z036) KIDDER, (ND-Z037) STUTSMAN, (ND-Z040) SLOPE, (ND-Z041) HETTINGER, (ND-Z042) GRANT, (ND-Z043) BOWMAN, (ND-Z044) ADAMS, (ND-Z045) SIOUX, (ND-Z046) EMMONS, (ND-Z047) LOGAN, (ND-Z048) LA MOURE, (ND-Z050) MCINTOSH, (ND-Z051) DICKEY				
	03/06/17 12:00 CST	0		High Wind (MAX 62 kt)
	03/07/17 20:00 CST	0		
(ND-Z001) DIVIDE, (ND-Z002) BURKE, (ND-Z003) RENVILLE, (ND-Z004) BOTTINEAU, (ND-Z005) ROLETTE, (ND-Z009) WILLIAMS, (ND-Z010) MOUNTRAIL, (ND-Z011) WARD, (ND-Z012) MCHENRY, (ND-Z013) PIERCE, (ND-Z023) WELLS				
	03/06/17 16:00 CST	0		Blizzard
	03/07/17 20:00 CST	0		

On March 6, strong surface low pressure deepened over southwest North Dakota and gradually moved towards the northeast as an upper level trough deepened over eastern Montana before closing off over North Dakota. Widespread snow developed over northern North Dakota and combined with very strong winds to produce blizzard conditions. To the south, much less snow fell, though strong winds prevailed. The snow gradually diminished and moved to the east during the evening of March 6, but the very strong winds continued. This led to a ground blizzard continuing across the north through the day on March 7. Large drifts formed from the blizzard, which led to an Amtrak passenger train getting stuck approximately 5 miles west of Rugby, Pierce County. About 50 high school students in Minot, Ward County, had to spend the night at a local hotel because they could not return to the Minot Air Force Base. In Glenburn, Renville County, about 150 students, along with most of the staff, had to spend the night at the school, with a few having to spend a second night as roads remained blocked.