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Motorists beware! It's 100 Mile Yard Sale time

Visitors and residents will be out in full force along Route 25 Memorial Day weekend in search of bargains at the 100-Mile Yard Sale, but Missouri's Department of Transportation wants motorists and yard sale travelers to remember the greatest savings of the event could be a life.

"It's a fun weekend that people look forward to each year," says MoDOT Traffic Engineer Craig Compas, "but we want people to remember that there's more traffic and more congestion along Route 25 this weekend than any other and drivers need to keep that in mind."

MoDOT has done its part to bring the safety message to the forefront. Message boards will be in place along the route to alert drivers of the unusual traffic patterns and promote safe driving. One such board, for example, has been positioned south of the intersection of Highway 25 and Business Highway 25 South.

"We really want drivers to be alert-to be aware of their surroundings, to be aware of sudden stops and to look for pedestrian traffic," Compas says. "It's a big event locally, and we want everyone to enjoy themselves and be as safe as possible."

Begun 14 years ago, the event stretches from Jackson down Highway 25 all the way to Kennett. And along the way are yard sales featuring mustache cups, dogged-eared books, and treasures waiting to be discovered.

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