Northern Road Navi Website Launches New Time and Distance Search

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The renewal of our website has made Northern driving safer and more enjoyable driving on your next trip in Hokkaido.

We encourage you to use it and to give us your opinions. We hope you'll use our Northern Road Navi for more enjoyable driving on your next trip in Hokkaido.

The time and distance search functions have been improved. The new features are described here.

1. Easy-to-use search functions
   - Inputting the travel origin, route and destination is even easier, with the vertically aligned search input boxes and the easy-to-see map immediately to the right of the input boxes (Figure 1). It’s become easier to repeat searches with altered search criteria.

2. Traffic closures on national highways
   - Any traffic closures on the selected route are displayed, which makes route selection more convenient when the weather is bad (Figure 2).

3. Information on ease of driving and mountain passes
   - This information is displayed, which makes it easier to select routes based on the ease of driving and weather conditions (Figure 2).

4. Information from Michi-no-ekis (roadside rest areas)
   - Information from rest areas on the selected route and the weather forecast for the following day are displayed, which makes it easier to plan your drive (Figure 2).

With the vertically aligned search input boxes and the easy-to-see map immediately to the right of the input boxes, the search is more comfortable. We encourage you to use it and to give us your opinions. We hope you'll use our Northern Road Navi for more enjoyable driving on your next trip in Hokkaido.

The two-dimensional code is for mobile phone access.

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Northern Road Navi, a comprehensive online guide to seeing Hokkaido by car, is equipped with a function for searching routes by travel time and distance. Select the origin and the destination of your trip, and the search provides the distance, route and other information. The service had been accessed 3.09 million times as of 2007.

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New point #1

New point #2

New point #3

New point #4