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Beware of Slick Rail Crossings

OMAHA, Neb. (AP) - As a blast of wintery weather hits the Midwest, Union Pacific Railroad is reminding motorists to use caution at rail crossings during slick cold-weather conditions.

The Omaha-based railroad says that with blowing and drifting snow, it could be difficult for motorists to see where crossing surfaces are located. When possible, motorists should use over or under passes to get to the other side of railroad tracks.

The railroad also warns that those driving too fast for slick conditions could slide into the path of or the side of a moving train at a crossing. It can take a mile or more for a moving train to come to a stop.

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