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Caption

BRR-EEZING DOWN THE HIGHWAY! Aerial views show a freshly snow-covered road connecting multiple archipelagos. The roads tie a number of isolated hamlets situated on various islands near Luleå on the Gulf of Bothnia, Swedish Arctic Circle.

Olivier Jarry-Lacombe said, "There are a few isolated hamlets that are only connected to the mainland by this road in winter. In winter, the Baltic Sea freezes over hundreds of square kilometres and these archipelagos, which are normally connected to the continent by small boats, find themselves isolated for several months."

The road is rarely used by the public during the winter months, making it a very isolated route. The ice, more than 80cm thick, is partly covered with a layer of snow that makes driving easier but vehicles need to be equipped with snow or studded tyres."

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(FOTO: DUKAS/SOLENT NEWS) *** Local Caption *** Near Lulea in northern Sweden, an ephemeral road built on ice crosses the Baltic Sea to reach the islands off the coast. This road is the only access to the isolated islands during the winter. Lulea, Sweden, Scandinavia, Northern Europe?

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