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SEASONAL LOAD LIMIT NOTIFICATION

Date: March 14, 2019

Subject: ENDING DATE for Winter Load Increases in the NORTH-CENTRAL and NORTH FROST ZONES
STARTING DATE for Spring Load Restrictions in the CENTRAL, NORTH-CENTRAL and NORTH FROST ZONES

POSTING UPDATE

The ENDING DATE for Winter Load Increases in the NORTH-CENTRAL and NORTH FROST ZONES will be Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 12:01 AM.

The STARTING DATE for Spring Load Restrictions in the CENTRAL, NORTH-CENTRAL and NORTH FROST ZONES will be Tuesday, March 19, 2019 at 12:01 AM.

Winter Load Increases in the SOUTH, SOUTHEAST, METRO and CENTRAL FROST ZONES have already ended. Spring Load Restrictions in the SOUTH, SOUTHEAST and METRO FROST ZONES have already been scheduled to begin on Friday, March 15.

Road Restriction maps indicating the locations of weight restricted routes are on the MnDOT Seasonal Load Limits website at www.mndot.gov/loadlimits.

OVERWEIGHT PERMITS

Permits for over 80,000 lb Gross Vehicle Weight will continue and new permits will be issued if all axle and group weights are legal.

Up to full-summer overweight permits can be issued during the Spring Load Restriction period only on interstate through movements.

Middle-range overweight permits become available within each frost zone when Spring Load Restrictions are lifted.

Full-summer overweight permits become available within each frost zone starting two to three weeks after Spring Load Restrictions are lifted.

For questions about enforcement call:
Minnesota Department of Public Safety
State Patrol - Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
651-350-2000.

For questions about over legal weight/size "heavy haul" trucking call:
Minnesota Department of Transportation
Freight and Commercial Vehicle Operations - Oversize/Weight Permits

651-296-6000

or email: ofcvpermits.dot@state.mn.us

Load limit dates are based on how weather is affecting roadway strength. These dates are established by monitoring roadway strength as weather conditions change. Therefore, these dates are variable. The end of Winter Load Increases and start of Spring Load Restrictions are separate events which may not occur on the same date.

As soon as a date is set, MnDOT will report this date on its 24-hour automated message center at 1-800-723-6543 for the USA and Canada, and locally at 651-366-5400 for the Minneapolis/St Paul area. This information is also published on the MnDOT Seasonal Load Limits website: www.mndot.gov/loadlimits

All changes are made with a minimum three calendar-day notice.