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SEASONAL LOAD LIMIT NOTIFICATION

Date: April 11, 2016

Subject: ENDING DATE for Spring Load Restrictions in the SOUTHEAST, SOUTH, METRO and CENTRAL FROST ZONES, and adding one EXCEPTION to ENDING DATE in the SOUTH FROST ZONE.

POSTING UPDATE

The ENDING DATE for Spring Load Restrictions in the SOUTHEAST, SOUTH, METRO and CENTRAL FROST ZONES will be Friday, April 15, 2016 at 12:01 AM.

Spring Load Restrictions are still in effect in the NORTH-CENTRAL and NORTH FROST ZONES.

EXCEPTION UPDATE TO THE 2016 MAP

| Zone | Route | Begin MP | End MP | Description | Axle Limit | Start Date | End Date | Comments |
|------|-------|----------|--------|-----------------|------------|------------|-----------|--|
| S | 277 | 2.5 | 11.02 | GLUECK TO TH 40 | 5 | 2/22/2016 | 4/29/2016 | Subsurface analysis indicates continued soil weakness. |

Road Restriction maps indicating the locations of weight restricted routes and those state highways open to maximum ten-ton axle weights are listed on the MnDOT Seasonal Load Limits website at www.dot.state.mn.us/materials/ Click on "Seasonal Load Limits," then click on "Spring Load Restrictions." Also available is a text list of the restricted segments along with exceptions to the map.

OVERWEIGHT PERMITS

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.

Full-summer overweight permits can be issued immediately for interstate highways only. All other routes are eligible for middle-range permits.

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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

For questions about enforcement call:
Minnesota Department of Public Safety
State Patrol - Commercial Vehicle Enforcement
651-405-6196 (select Option 3, Option 3).

The ending dates for Spring Load Restrictions are based on how weather is affecting roadway strength. These dates are established by monitoring roadway strength as weather conditions change. Therefore, the ending dates for Spring Load Restrictions are variable.

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.dot.state.mn.us/materials.

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