



Western Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

Committee on Highway Transport

State Report

State: Alaska

Report Date: 02/07/2019

Completed By: Jennifer Gray

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Decreased

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way: N/A

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual,etc):

Single Trip Permits: Up to 10'6" wide, up to 16' in height, up to 10' rear overhang, up to 85' in length, and up to 125% overweight. Front overhang must be legal.

Extended Period Permits: (1, 3, 6, 9, or 12 months): Up to 10'6" wide, up to 10' rear overhang, and up to 125% overweight. Height, length, and front overhang must be legal

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 20%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: N/A

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes): N/A

Procedural Changes: N/A

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: N/A

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Integrating bridge and routing information.



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State: Arizona

Report Date: January 29, 2019

Completed By:

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Decreased

2017- 430,686 2018- 390,857

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way: N/A

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual,etc): All

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 85

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: N/A

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes): N/A

Procedural Changes: N/A

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: Ongoing statewide outreach with industry

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: N/A



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State Report

State: California

Report Date: February 11, 2019

Completed By: Kien Le, Chief, Office of Commercial Vehicle Operations

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Increase from 168,300 to 170,043, or over 2,300 permits.

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way: Yes

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc): Single trip permits

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: None, all permits are reviewed by staff.

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes) – No new system at this time. The Department has been looking into an auto-routing and auto-issuance system for a few years. Recently, the Department have viewed some demos from various interested parties on this topic.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Staffing is always an issue especially with this specialized work. It takes some time (4 to 6 months) to allow staff to be trained and up to speed with permit routing and review.



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State Report

State: Colorado

Report Date: 1/15/2019

Completed By: Craig Hurst

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Increased. We issued the most permits that I could find on record.

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way: n/a

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc): All permits are offered online

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 64%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: No changes in legislation

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes)

We are working on changes to our login recovery process that should help eliminate about 23% of the phone calls that we receive on an annual basis.

The annual permit renewal link is currently not working properly, so we are eliminating it until we get it fixed. The confusion this creates accounted for 16% of our phone calls since October.

Procedural Changes:

In October, I increased our Self-Issue envelope on weight from 140k to 150k and on height from 15'0" to 15'3". In 2018 we increased self-issue to 64% from 55.8% in 2017. Much of this increase since the October change, and I will continue to monitor and look for safe opportunities to increase this envelope in 2019 using data from our system.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population

We are rebuilding our website in 2019 with new tools and better navigation. We will include permit data analytics and will include our Freight plan and planning documents as well. Our

goal is to create a one stop landing site for industry ease of use and information sharing for Colorado.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

Our permitting operations have been running smooth.



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State Report

State: Idaho

Report Date: 01/17/2019

Completed By: Craig Roberts & Lance Green

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Idaho sold 72,650 special permits which is an increase of 5,825 special permits or 8.72% over the previous year.

50,601 Special permits were annuals

22,049 Special permits were single trip

States that are not offering Online Permitting, are you in the process of moving that way: Yes, Idaho should be live with a new permitting system on July 1st of 2019, which will include the online issuance of all annual special permits and most single trip permits.

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc.): Currently Idaho offers annual special permits and interim temporary registrations online.

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: Of the 72,650 special permits sold, 28,428 annual special permits or 39.13 % were not reviewed by staff.

Is there new Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: Legislation is being heard this session consolidating twenty-two special permit administrative rules into 8 administrative rules and seventeen annual special permits into 7 special permits.

There is proposed legislation being heard this session allowing logging load securement and logging vehicle inspections to be enforceable by state highway patrol and port of entry inspectors on public highways, if the legislation passes.

A review of commercial motor carrier registration fee schedules for vehicles that exceed 60,000 pounds is being conducted to determine if there is a need for changes.

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes)

We had purchased and are implementing a new special permitting system this year. This will allow at least 80% of all annual and single trip special permits to be purchased online.

Additional 129K routes have been added in Idaho.

https://itd.idaho.gov/wp-content/uploads/2016/07/RoutesApproved_129k.pdf

Procedural Changes:

Our new permitting system will require new procedural procedure that have not been documented as of yet. They will allow for a large number of special permits to be self-issued with the new special permit system.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population:

Idaho is removing the use of escrow in our new permitting system.

We are adding new local highway jurisdiction to the state permit system. This will allow the state to issue permits on local jurisdiction roads based on the agreement that the local jurisdiction has signed.

We are offering a discount for annual permits when purchased online by the customer, if the legislation passes.

We are informing the public about the new permitting system through mailings, trainings, and interactions with industry.

We are informing the public of renewal notices by email and not mailings as of September 2019.

We have a new CRS (commercial registration system) that will be available May of 2019.

We have streamlined our district's approval of special permits requiring their review, allowing for faster returns and issuance.

We have standardized the TCP (traffic control plan) with help from our district offices.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

Current operation on a DOS based system, which should be eliminated as of July 2019.

Inconsistencies in neighboring state requirements for overlegal travel not aligning with Idaho's. Times of travel in some of Idaho districts, night time only, are more restrictive which does not coincide with our neighboring states. This is due to safety concerns with the increased traffic congestion in certain areas.



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State: **Montana**

Report Date: **2/08/2019**

Completed By: **Kaci Johnson**

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Slight Increase

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc): Single Trip, Term
Oversize/Overweight, GVW

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 35% (Hoping to have an increase after MT implements an Automated Routing System)

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes)

Customer Credentialing System – CCS (being worked on)

Automated Routing System – ARS (out for RFP)



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State Report

State: Nebraska

Report Date: 1/15/19

Completed By: Ann Nitzel

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Increased

2017 – 122,860 2018 – 126,467

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way: Nebraska is online

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual,etc); Single Trip, Continuous Local & State-wide, Manufactured Home, Conditional Interstate permits, Garbage truck permits

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 69%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: State of Nebraska now allows for over-size hay bales up to 12' in width to be hauled on the Interstate system with a permit.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Wind Blades creating issues with time taken to make turns, damages to roadways/intersections and traveling public complaints that these loads do not move over to the right with on-coming traffic



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State Report

State: The Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT)

Report Date: February 2019

Completed By: Administrative Services Division / Over-Dimensional Vehicle Permits (ODVP)

- Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: In the State of Nevada, the total number of permits in 2018 increased by 421 (see below).
2017: 31,914
2018: 32,335
 - States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way: The State of Nevada offers online permitting for all permits, with the exception of special permits (super loads).
 - What types of permits are offered online (single trip, annual, etc.): Annual and single trip.
 - What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 0%.
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- New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: The Nevada Administrative Code (regulations implementing statute), Chapter 484D – Equipment and Size, Weight and Load of Vehicles has been revised. Those amendments were adopted by the NDOT Transportation Board on February 11, 2019. These revisions will be effective once the Legislative Counsel Bureau finalizes the amendments. Staff anticipates this will take place in the next few months.
 - Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes): There have not been any recent updates to the NDOT Online Permitting System (<https://www.nevadadot.com/doing-business/commercial-vehicles/commercial-vehicle-permits>). Enhancements to the system are planned for Spring 2019.
 - Procedural Changes: The Online Permitting System was fully implemented in 2017. Since that time, the system has been enhanced to improve self-propelled applications, up to 7 axles. This resulted in increased efficiencies. Prior to this enhancement, those applications were forwarded to NDOT's Bridge Division for processing. Turnaround time for approval has been reduced from 1-2 days, to as little as 10 minutes and these applications are now processed by the ODVP agents.
 - New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: Every effort is made to communicate office closures, changes in weather, and Spring Thaw/Frost Law updates on the message board login screen on the NDOT Online Permitting System. Other communication efforts include weather and construction updates on 511, as well as attachments to the permit to update and inform the industry of any changes in process, procedure or regulations.
 - Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Ideally, some permits would be available via self-issue online. However, fully automating the system requires layers of Geographic Information System (GIS) currently under development. Therefore, this option is not yet available.



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State Report

State: New Mexico

Report Date: 02/07/2019

Completed By: Leslie Sanchez

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: increase by 10% (308k)

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way: N/A

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc.) Both; trip & fuel

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 37%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: NONE

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes) NONE

Procedural Changes: NONE

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: NONE

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: NONE



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State Report

State: North Dakota

Report Date: January 24, 2019

Completed By: Jackie Darr

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: We increased by 29,524 permits approximately 8%.

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc) All Permits

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 92% on average (exception of spring weight restriction season)

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

SB 2151 – Annual permits valid for 365 days instead of expiring December 31st.

SB 2176 – Looking at a study on road trains and if it is an option.

Previous Legislation in 2017 allowed for us to bring in Prepass/Help and Drivewyze. This has allowed trucks to get a pass from stopping at truck inspections. Keeping industry moving. We have several locations up and running now.

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes) Added a copy button, finish later button, annual permits defaulting to max dimension, dollar amount owed is bolded in shopping cart.

Bridge is allowing us to no longer send load up if it does not exceed 300,000, have 8 tires per axle or fail a bridge.

Future updates- looking at a turn by turn app hoping to have it launched in the next couple of months.

Added another highway to the 129,000 permit ND 8 from US 52 to SK border

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: The Highway Patrol App, Using Twitter, Facebook.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Low/outdated bridges. We take industry off the National Network onto the state highways because bridges are too low. The state highways have the issue with bridge ratings most are older than on the interstate/national network system. Small staff- vacations and training makes the office short-handed.



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State: OKLAHOMA

Report Date: 18 January 2019

Completed By: Carolyn Owings, Director

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: **increase**

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way: **Oklahoma is fully automated**

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc.) **All Permits**

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: **73%**

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: **During 2018**

SB1089

E. 1. Oversize or overweight vehicles used for specialized transportation if the maximum weight does not exceed twenty-three thousand (23,000) pounds on any single axle or forty-six thousand (46,000) pounds on any tandem axle; and:

- a. the width of the transport vehicle or trailer exceeds twelve (12) feet in width, or
- b. the overall gross vehicle weight meets or exceeds three hundred thousand (300,000) pounds, originates or terminates at the Tulsa Port of Catoosa, and the trip is confined within a thirty-mile radius of the Port.

2. Permit fees for oversize or overweight vehicles used for specialized transportation shall be in accordance with subsection A of Section 14-116 of Title 47.

3. Vehicles operating pursuant to the provisions of this paragraph will not be allowed to operate on the National System of Interstate and Defense Highways.

SB1114 – High Wide Corridor –

An Act relating to oversize loads; defining terms; designating certain routes as high-wide corridors; requiring certain permit for moving certain load; requiring certain permit or authorization for installing structures along certain routes; requiring additional design standards for certain high-wide routes; requiring consultation with political subdivisions before issuing certain permits; directing political subdivisions to reach agreements for removing certain structures; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

Route Surveys-(or lack of) finding they are google earth surveys not true ran out surveys and loads are getting hung up and cannot make turns etc.

Pre-Call to local authorities and utilities – Companies just fail to do so or sign the affidavit saying they have when they have not.

Multiple loads on one permit: - I am sure many states deal with this issue

Accurate Measurements- We are finding many times loads have not been accurately measured and they either get hung up at bridges, cannot get thru construction zones or cannot make turns. Companies need to make sure they have the accurate number of escorts and they are properly certified and liscensed.

Permits –Oklahoma does not accept Electronic Permits. Many time they do not have a paper copy with them and/or they simply do not look at the permit route etc.

Permit Services – Would like to see them gather more accurate information, many times we find the permit submit is lacking required information.



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State Report

State: South Dakota

Report Date: 02/11/2019

Completed By: Capt. John Broers, SD Highway Patrol; Dave Huft, SDDOT

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Increase

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way:

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc.): Single Trip & Annuals; all permits can be applied for online, but by intention, not all can be issued without staff approval.

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: ~80%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: Legislation to exempt platooning vehicles from "following too close" restrictions; Federal NPRM to expand LCV routes in South Dakota open now

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes): Adding Emergency Declaration Permit, Unregistered Vehicle Permit (including "Hunter's Permit"), updating state highway network

Procedural Changes: Building new port of entry on I-90 at Minnesota-South Dakota border, including office and inspection building, e-screening, tire anomaly inspection and thermal brake checking; retrofitting I-29 Jefferson POE with tire anomaly inspection and thermal brake checking; installing hardware to communicate in-motion weights to Drivewyze at port of entry e-screening sites; exploring how to communicate permits for non-prorate trucks to e-screening sites.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: Beginning work to update SDTruckInfo.com website (portal to state CV services)

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:



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State Report

State: Texas

Report Date: 2/7/2019

Completed By: DuWayne Murdock

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Calendar Year 2018 we issued 827,485 permits which was a 12% increase over the previous year.

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual,etc)- All

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review – approximately 70%

Major Updates / Procedural Changes

- For wind tower blades with more than 30' rear overhang we have integrated the review process for the overhang with the existing route inspection process so carriers should no longer see a review delay solely due to the amount of overhang
- Self-Issue envelope has been increased up to our Super Load / Route Inspection dimensions: 20'wide, 18'11" high, 125' long, 254,300 lbs.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population – We continue to utilize our website, email blasts, govdelivery email opt-ins and social media.

We are steadily increasing the scope and frequency of online instructor led customer training sessions.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Our continued efforts in encouraging more carriers to utilize our online system versus other application methods such as phone, fax and mail.

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State Report

State: Utah

Report Date: 2-8-2019

Completed By: Rick Clark

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year:

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way:

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual,etc)

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review:

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

We have updated our State Rule in a few area's .

1. 14'6" tall annual divisible and non-divisible permits.
2. Added additional weight to our tire load provisions.
3. Updated permit transfer policy
4. Added/clarified some definitions.

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes)

1. Added (available April) a shopping cart. Drive can put incomplete permits into a que waiting for completion or approval before being charged the permit fee.
2. We are working on making our route planner available for industry use.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population

1. We are going to go paperless with permits and inspections (unless needed). We will be emailing and/or texting the information to the drivers and companies.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:



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State Report

State: Washington

Report Date: January 31, 2019

Completed By: Justin Heryford

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year:

Increased (2017: 179,433, 2018: 188,888)

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual, etc.)

All except superload permits and special review single trip permits.

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review:

94%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

Compliance with the FAST Act:

Natural gas powered vehicles will be authorized 2,000 additional pounds (up to 82,000 lbs.).

Hearing scheduled for February 28, 2019.

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes)

Short term - Enhancements to existing program to improve usability.

- Improving usability by changing weight entry screens
- Creating a route-check external to the permit program for restrictions (users will be able to check their route prior to creating a permit)
- Created a workgroup to improve routing capabilities based on industry input

Long term - Seeking funding opportunities to replace or partially replace in-house system.
Updating the Program Plan / Top Level Design

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population:

Requesting industry input about our long term permit solution. We are using end user feedback to help create our vision for the future of permitting in Washington.

Sought input for the enhancements to the Bridge Vertical Clearance Trip Planner (BVCTP).
Internal program to show heights along a selected route by lane (enhancement released Feb 2019).

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

Office turnover (training of new staff)



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State Report

State: Wyoming

Report Date: 02-06-2019

Completed By: Cory O'Connor

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year:

We have had an increase

States not offering Online Permitting are you in the process of moving that way:

We are trying to get online permitting.

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

Nothing new with legislation as of now will impact the trucking industry.

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes)

We are still using the old system.

Procedural Changes:

We are in the middle of revising the Gold Book/Size and Weight.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: \$\$\$\$