



Western Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

Committee on Highway Transport

State Report

State: Alaska

Report Date: 10/10/2019

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: None

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

Alaska is currently looking at securing a permit program replacement.

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 Report

State: Arizona

Report Date: September 30, 2019

Completed By: _____

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): All

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

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: None at this time.

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes): None to report at this time.

Procedural Changes: Updated and additional Administrative Rules should be done and released tentatively in April 2020.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: Regular outreach in all districts in Arizona.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: None to note.



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State Report

State: California

Report Date: October 14, 2019

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

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: There is a very small increase from 173,483 permit in FY1718 to 173,821 in FY1819, or a net increase of 338 permits.

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.

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

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

Procedural Changes: Single trip permits that are issued electronically are accepted on electronic portable devices.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: N/A

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Staffing turnover is a major issue with many permit writers retiring or moving on. It normally takes a long time (6 to 8 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: 9 /19/2019

Completed By: Craig Hurst

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Increase by 2,000

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: 66%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: none

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

Early development for new mobile app, new vertical clearance data coming in.

Procedural Changes: None

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population:

New GIS tools for annual permit holders.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

None



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State: Idaho

Report Date: 10/07/2019

Completed By: Craig Roberts/Lance Green

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

Permits issued in 2019 January – September:

Single Trip: 21,485

Percent +: +15.00

Annual: 34,928

Percent -: - 7.42

Permits issued in 2018 January – September:

Single Trip: 18,682

Annual: 37,727

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

Idaho implemented a new online system starting July 1, 2019. Previous to the implementation only annual permits could be purchased online.

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

Idaho offers all of the states permit types online. Currently, all single trip non-reducible overweight permits are required to be manually reviewed but that will change in the future once the current systems bridge analysis component is completed.

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review:

Previous to July 1, 2019 we ran a 38% rate of auto issued permits. Since the implementation of the new system we are at a 52% rate. We project we will be above 75% after the bridge analysis portion is completed. Currently 72% of all permits are being started online by customers.

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

Idaho legislation passed the reduction of permit rules and types with a start date of 07/01/2019. The rules were consolidated and reduced from 22 rules to 8. The number of permit types went from 15 to 7.

The height of annual oversize permits went from 14'9" to 15'.

The combined reducible load permits for vehicles up to 129K went from 3 permits to 1, at a price reduction of at least \$58.

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

The new permitting system has already allowed for a reduction in the permit staff with the position being moved to a unit that required more help. We anticipate at least one more position being repurposed.

Idaho now offers 24/7 permit ordering for customers on all permit types online. Previously you could only order annual permits 24/7 online.

Consolidation of the Idaho permits has allowed for refinement to the maps/attachments that go with the permits. This will reduce the cost of printing and allow for a quicker change to maps when changes are needed.

Procedural Changes:

Idaho has a new commercial vehicle registration system and the temporary vehicle registrations, temporary fuel permits, hazardous material permits/endorsements, and temporary weight increases are all issued in the new registration system. This system is also an online system.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population:

Idaho conducts quarterly meetings with the Idaho Trucking Association. We will be making inquiries with the Logger Association to see if they would like the same sort of communication.

Previous to the launch of our new permitting systems we had familiarization and training sessions throughout the state for all carrier types.

We conducted outreach mailings and updates online as to the progress of the new system.

We will be conducting further familiarization and training in November with industry members as requested.

We are sending information to both associations whenever new events, legislation, or issues arise.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

Much of our time is currently used educating industry on the type of loads that they carry, the new Idaho permit types and rules, and how to use the new permitting system.

We are working hard to stress the benefit of our new system and using correct sizes and weights on non-reducible oversize/overweight permits. When we are supplied with weights or sizes that are larger than they truly are, it may delay the approval process by requiring approval on routes that in actuality do not need the extra looks and cost industry more money.



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State Report

State: Montana

Report Date: 10/15/2019

Completed By: Kaci Johnson

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: **Increase in permit production.**

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, GVW, Term (size and weight), Vehicle Weight Analysis (not an actual permit)**

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: **50% (estimated)**

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

Montana passed Senate Bill 317 allowing for a Wintertime 10% overweight permit and a Durational 10% overweight permit. Valid between December 1st and March 7th.

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

Montana is working with ProMiles to implement an Automated Routing System. (Go Live probably mid-2020)



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State Report

State: Nebraska

Report Date: 10/15/2019

Completed By: Ann Nitzel

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

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

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

Single Trip Permits: Oversize &/or Overweight, Self-Propelled Equipment, 2-axle Flotation

Continuous Permits: Statewide Envelope, Statewide Empty Trailer, Local Oversize &/or Overweight, Local Self-Propelled, Interstate Self-Propelled, Local 2-axle Flotation

Manufactured Home: New/Dealer & Used

Other: Conditional Interstate, Baled Livestock Interstate, Building/Slow moving, Garbage/Refuse, Seasonally Harvested Products, Annual Implement of Husbandry for I-80, Implements of Husbandry for US-75

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: +/-65%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: In the next legislative session, we will be adding verbiage to our State Statutes to address F.A.S.T. Act legislations

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes): Due to new State legislation, we now have the Baled Livestock Forage permit which allows large bales of hay up to 12' wide where 8'6" was allowed previously. What a carrier can haul on State highways, can now be hauled on the Interstate system with this permit.

Procedural Changes: None

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: We made efforts to reach out to as many carriers hauling wind turbine components as possible via email when necessary, i.e. routing that becomes unavailable due to safety concerns

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: None



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State: Nevada

Report Date: 10/10/19

Completed By: Angie Wallis

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

NDOT: Increased by over 2,000 permits.

DMV: Sales have been consistent.

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

NDOT: N/A

DMV: Currently working with a vendor for new commercial registration/permit solution that will include online permits and will be available no later than 10/01/2020.

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

NDOT: Single 5-day trip permits & Annual permits.

DMV: Currently none

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: NDOT & DMV: None

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

NDOT: None.

DMV: AB320 effective 01/01/2020, eliminates the requirement of over length/weight permits and allows vehicles (doubles and triples) to register up to 129,000 lbs. for a fee of \$20.00 per thousand pounds over 80,000 lbs. for a maximum fee is \$2,340.00.

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

NDOT: No changes.

DMV: New commercial registration/permit solution will eliminate challenges as customers will have the ability to manage their accounts with access 24/7.

Procedural Changes:

NDOT: NAC 484D.610-Changed business hours to 8-5 and added verbiage regarding our online system. NAC 484D.615-Added verbiage regarding online permits for annuals, changed that annuals needed to be requested 10 business days in advance instead of 30, changed agreement definition verbiage. Added verbiage regarding special permit requirements (Super Loads). NAC 484D.625-Changed permit length verbiage to valid for 5 consecutive days. Changed to state that we now will except permits to be shown electronically and in paper form (if paper must be signed). NAC 484D.645-Removed verbiage that states loads over 26' wide can only move 10 miles. Added verbiage for when route surveys may be required. NAC 484D.655-Changed night travel width from 12' to 14' on 5-day trip permits only. Removed weekend width restriction on I-80 from CA to Exit 21. Changed weekend width restriction on I-15 to be a curfew northbound I-15 on Fridays and southbound I-15 on Sundays from 2pm-10pm. Added length limits to be 120' long with steerable axle. NAC 484D.670-Added pilot car requirements for traveling at night over 12' wide, need 1 in the front & back.

DMV: With the implementation of AB320, carriers will be allowed to enter/drive in Nevada without a permit as long as their registration card lists the weight the carrier is hauling.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population:

NDOT: Post messages on our online site.

DMV: We have begun notifying industry of the changes from AB320 through mail and online notices.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

NDOT: Updating internal GIS to obtain a new permitting system.

DMV: Educating industry on AB320 changes and new commercial registration/permit solution.



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State: New Mexico

Report Date: 10/11/2019

Completed By: Leslie Sanchez

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: Sept 2018- Sept 2019
9%

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.) ST-MT-Trip-Fuel

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 50 %

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

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes): Changing URL from
DPS to NMDOT 10/30/2019

Procedural Changes: N/A

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: N/A

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: N/A



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State: North Dakota

Report Date: 10-2-2019

Completed By: Jackie Darr

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: **We show an increase of approximately 10,000**

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

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: **98-92% depending on time of year**

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: **Annual permits are now valid 365 days instead of ending on December 31st. State is working on a study that would allow for road trains. Ton miles fees have been waived during spring weight restrictions for the 129,000 permits on highways posted for legal weights.**

Permitting System Updates (please include money or time saving changes) **Added option to copy all permit types, system will not let a second annual permit be purchased on a vehicle it tells you that your currently have a permit with the permit number & added a finish later button for industry. We are looking at doing large upgrade to our system.**

Procedural Changes: **We have approval from bridge not to send loads up if under 300,000 pounds unless failing a bridge or 8 tires across on an axle.**

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: **Nothing new we continue to work with the NDMCA, AGC, ND Implement Dealers Association, ND Petroleum Council and the SC&RA to get information out. We also continue to use the push alert option for the NDHP.**

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: **Small staff issues with vacations, sick leave etc. Low clearances and old bridges that can't handle today's loads. Bridge hits affecting all traffic in our state. We have had 15 reported bridge hits this year.**



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State: Oklahoma

Report Date: updated 10/28/19

Completed By: Jill Underwood

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

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: 80%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: Effective 7/1/19: legal height on roadways (interstate, state, US, turnpike) changed to 14' tall. All local roadways (city streets, county roads) is still 13'6" tall. Effective 11/1/19: Manufactured Homes can travel on Interstate (with the exception of Interstates marked as turnpikes also) up to 18' wide with front and rear escorts for the entire trip.

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: n/a



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State Report

State: Oregon

Report Date: 10/23/19

Completed By: Anthony Barghini/Audrey Lawson

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

- We had an increase of 1544 Single trip/Self-Issue permits, or just over 1% from 2017 to 2018. We also saw an increase in annual permits, up 1416 permits, or about 2% from 2017 to 2018
- We are currently down slightly in single trip/Self-Issue permits, down 1600 permits, or about 3% through September, 2019 versus the same time period in 2018. We are however seeing an increase in annual permits, up 1650 permits, or about 4% over the same time period in 2018.

What types of permit are offered online (single trip, annual,etc): **annuals, and self-issue single trip permits for certified carriers**

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: **About 10% are self –issued (They are reviewed after they have been issued)**

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

- **HB 2592- Elimination of the weight receipt**
- **SB 411- Extra 2000 pounds for electric vehicles**
- **HB 2007- Clean diesel bill that restricts vehicle registration based on county in Oregon and age of the engine (effective 2023)**

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

No major changes. The self-routing system is on the 2021 project list for ODOT

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population:

- **A new position, a Communications Coordinator, was hired for the Motor Carrier Services Section of the Division. Responsibilities include identifying most effective mechanisms to communicate with the stakeholders and customers.**
- **Regional open houses throughout the state**
- **Text Message alerts for emergency road closures**

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

- **High attrition rate among permitting staff**
- **Superload harmonization among districts within the State**
- **Growing number of work zone road restrictions and bridge load rating postings**
- **Manual method of writing permits**
- **Permit requests for vehicles used for testing (new technology)**

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State Report

State: **South Dakota**

Report Date: **10/21/2019**

Completed By: **Lynde Rockwell, SDDPS; Dave Huft, SDDOT**

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year (include numbers):

81,386 for 3-2-17 through 3-2-18, 125,594 for 3-3-18 through 3-3-19

Revenue increased by \$580,189. Last year was \$5,246,272 and the year prior was \$4,666,083.

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

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review:

Number system issued: 44,825

Number permit office issued: 49,824

Total issued: 94,649

Percent system issued, approx.: 47%

Percent permit office issued, approx.: 53%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry:

South Dakota is in the process of expanding its Longer Combination Vehicle network by 732 miles, from 989 miles to 1721 miles.

The SD Legislature passed law authorizing the Transportation Commission to promulgate rules governing the testing and operation of truck platoons. The Commission will vote on adoption of rules October 24.

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

Changes made to the SD Automated Permitting System include:

- **Update to the online Legal Weight Calculator**
- **Creation of an Emergency Permit for various ag, weather, etc. emergencies**

- Creation of a Hunters Permit
- Export of permit information to E-Screening Sites
- Installation of a new E-screening site at the I-90 Valley Springs Port of Entry

Procedural Changes: No new procedural changes

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: No new methods, but we have a message on the log in page of the permitting system that we update from time to time giving them pertinent information as a means of keeping the carriers informed regarding the system...We give regular safety talks to educate and occasional Media announcements.

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Port of entry (permit center) phone lines busy, occasional software issue, phone issues, user education, getting timely restriction information.



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State Report

State: Texas

Report Date: 10/17/2019

Completed By: DuWayne Murdock

Have you increased or decreased permits issued over the previous year: About a 6.5% increase over the last year (most recent FY ending 8/31 we issued 865171 permits)

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

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review: 68%

New Legislation that will affect the trucking industry: Optional Pilot/Escort vehicle training with ability to perform traffic control.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population: We continue to promote our online TxPROS training classes

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations: Extremely busy; challenging environment to hire/retain skilled employees. Increased permit demand and construction restrictions.



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State Report

State: Washington

Report Date: 10/1/2019

Completed By: Justin Heryford

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

Increased (Federal FY18 - 187,309 to Federal FY19 - 188,067)

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:

N/A

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

Short term/immediate:

Quality assurance (QA) testing of 26 enhancements to our permit program to include usability enhancements (program navigation, shopping cart features, streamlining permit types/selection, and routing via an ESRI map). Route testing will be sent to select users of our current program as soon as it is ready for user testing. Estimated test release November 2019.

Long term:

Program Plan / Top Level Design being updated to include language to allow for WSDOT to compete in grant opportunities to replace or partially replace our existing permit program.

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population

- Surveyed current users regarding our permit program to ask questions pertaining to areas that could use improvement. Over 70% response to the survey with great feedback. WSDOT permit program enhancements are directly related to the feedback we received from our users.
- Email notifications when term permits are set to expire (Permit Program Enhancement).
- Improved restriction notification through a work zone database program. The program will require auto-notification by WSDOT field personnel to the permit office anytime work will impact the travel lane of a highway. The permit office will immediately update the permit program which updates our restriction website. The program is live in portions of the state. Expected to deploy statewide in 2020.



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State Report

State: Wyoming

Report Date: 10-16-19

Completed By: JOHN BEASLEY

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

Increase from \$10,604,466 fiscal year in 2018 to \$12,326,789 fiscal year 2019

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

N/A

What percentage of permits are auto issued without staff review:

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

- **In the process of submitting for on line permitting**

New Communication Efforts to your carrier population:

When phone lines are busy for the Wyoming port of entries, companies may email a request for an oversize load not exceeding 18 feet wide, 17 feet high, 120 feet in length or not exceeding 160,000 pounds to https://jweb.dot.state.wy.us/oversize_weight_application/

If you have received a reply within thirty-minutes please call the port of entry where you are entering the state.

<http://www.whp.dot.state.wy.us/home/ports.html>

Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

Companies submitting the application via email directly before the move is going to take place and not allowing enough time for the POE location to handle multiple permits. If reply hasn't been answered please reply within thirty-minutes to the port of entry where you are entering the state.