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SECRETARY

**INVEST 97L (Tropical Cyclone Four)
FDOT EMERGENCY ORDER 24-04
(Pursuant to Executive Order Nos. 24-156 and 24-157)**

WHEREAS, on August 1, 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 24-156 regarding a tropical wave identified as Invest 97L, now Potential Tropical Cyclone Four; and

WHEREAS, on August 2, 2024, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 24-157, amending the counties that are included in the emergency; and

WHEREAS, based on meteorological reports, highly conducive environmental conditions are forecast to organize and develop Invest 97L (Potential Tropical Cyclone Four) into a tropical depression over the weekend and early next week over the eastern Gulf of Mexico near the Florida Peninsula; and

WHEREAS, based on meteorological reports, there is significant threat of heavy rainfall over most of the state of Florida, with the possibility of at least twelve (12) inches of rainfall over the next seven (7) days; and

WHEREAS, prolonged heavy rainfall will result in flash flooding, river flooding, coastal flooding, erosion, and gusty winds; and

WHEREAS, these conditions could damage the operational capability of critical infrastructure to include major interstates and roadways, bridges, airports, schools, hospitals, power grids, and other critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the water tables in the affected areas are already nearing peak capacity and incoming heavy rainfall will cause significant river flooding that may last for several weeks; and

WHEREAS, the incoming heavy rainfall, flooding, and gusty winds will cause widespread power outages due to downed trees and powerlines; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation is prepared to deploy resources to support the disaster response efforts related to Potential Tropical Cyclone Four.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JARED W. PERDUE, P.E., Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation, hereby find that the Department of Transportation's timely performance of disaster response functions related to Potential Tropical Cyclone Four is hindered by the application of procedures imposed by statute, rule, or order.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted by Executive Order Nos. 24-156 and 24-157, I hereby:

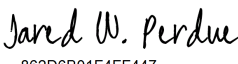
1. Waive and suspend the following rules and statutes: sections 316.515(1)-(3), 316.535(1) and (3), 316.545(2) and (4), 316.550(1), and 337.401(1)(a), Florida Statutes, and Rules 14-28.002(4) and (5), and 14-46.001(2), Florida Administrative Code, to the extent needed to allow the establishment of alternate size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes, and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, and as needed to waive by special permit the warning signal requirements in the Utility Accommodation Manual to accommodate public utility companies from other jurisdictions to render assistance in restoring vital services, subject to the limitations expressed in Executive Orders 24-156 and 24-157.
2. Waive and suspend sections 112.061, 216.292, 216.313, 287.055, 287.056, 287.057(1)-(10), (12), (17), (20) and (25), 287.0823, 287.15, 337.02(2), 337.107, 337.11, 339.08, and

339.135(6), Florida Statutes, and Rules 60A-1.002, 60A-1.017, 60A-1.021, 60A-1.043, and 60A-1.045, Florida Administrative Code, as they relate to leasing, printing, purchasing, travel, the conditions of employment and the compensation of employees, or the use of State Transportation Trust Funds off the State Highway System, to the extent necessary to ensure the timely performance of the Department of Transportation's disaster response functions as prescribed in the State Comprehensive Management Plan or as directed by the State Coordinating Officer.

3. In accordance with section 1 of Executive Order No. 24-156, as amended by Executive Order No. 24-157, the foregoing waivers and suspensions of statute are limited to Alachua, Baker, Bay, Bradford, Brevard, Calhoun, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Duval, Escambia, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Glades, Gulf, Hamilton, Hardee, Hendry, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lake, Lee, Leon, Levy, Liberty, Madison, Manatee, Marion, Monroe, Nassau, Okaloosa, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Santa Rosa, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, Sumter, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Volusia, Wakulla, Walton and Washington counties.
4. All actions taken by the Florida Department of Transportation with respect to this emergency before the issuance of this Emergency Order are hereby ratified.

This order shall expire on August 16, 2024, the expiration or rescission of Executive Order Nos. 24-156, and 24-157, or my further order, whichever is earlier.

Effective Date: August 2, 2024

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Jared W. Perdue, P.E., Secretary
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August 2, 2024

ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL

SUBJECT: Emergency Road Use Permit

Executive Orders 24-156, 24-157 and the FDOT Emergency Order 24-04 issued pursuant to Executive Orders 24-156 and 24-157 authorize the Department of Transportation to suspend the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes, and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, and as needed to waive by special permit the warning signal requirements in the Utility Accommodation Manual to accommodate public utility companies from other jurisdictions to render assistance in restoring vital services, subject to the limitations expressed in Executive Orders 24-156 and 24-157.

Pursuant to this authority, the Florida Department of Transportation issues this letter to suspend the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, allowing the establishment of alternative size and weight restrictions for all such vehicles by permit in excess of the normal restrictions on weight, height, length and width as provided below. The weight, height, length, and width for any such vehicle on roadways maintained by the State of Florida shall be as follows:

WEIGHT:

All overweight vehicles must operate in accordance with the applicable map based upon the vehicle configurations described below. Current versions of these maps are located on the Permit Office website at <https://www.fdot.gov/maintenance/owodpermits.shtm> . The hauler is responsible for obtaining a copy of the current appropriate map prior to movement.

- A. The maximum Gross Vehicle Weight for vehicles equipped with five (5) weight-bearing axles with outer bridge spans of not less than forty (40) feet, but less than fifty-one (51) feet, shall not exceed ninety thousand (90,000) pounds.

Axle weight restrictions are as follows when operating under Bridge Restriction Map TTT-1: Maximum twenty-two thousand (22,000) pounds (single), forty-four thousand (44,000) pounds (tandem) and sixty thousand (60,000) pounds (tridem).

Axle weight restrictions are as follows when operating under Bridge Restriction Map TTT-2: Maximum twenty-five thousand (25,000) pounds (single), forty-eight thousand (48,000) pounds (tandem), and sixty-six thousand (66,000) pounds (tridem).

- B. The maximum Gross Vehicle Weight for vehicles equipped with five (5) weight-bearing axles with outer bridge spans of not less than fifty-one (51) feet shall not exceed ninety-five thousand (95,000) pounds.

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- C. The maximum Gross Vehicle Weight for vehicles equipped with four (4) weight-bearing axles with outer bridge spans of not less than forty-three (43) feet shall not exceed eighty thousand (80,000) pounds.

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- D. All straight trucks shall meet the following requirements: The maximum Gross Vehicle Weight shall not exceed eighty thousand (80,000) pounds. The maximum weight of any single axle shall not exceed twenty-seven thousand and five hundred (27,500) pounds and the maximum weight of any tandem axle shall not exceed fifty-five thousand (55,000) pounds and the maximum weight of any tri-axle shall not exceed seventy thousand (70,000) pounds. Movement must be accompanied by Bridge Restriction Map CRN-2.

LENGTH, WIDTH, AND HEIGHT:

Maximum dimensions shall not exceed fourteen (14) feet wide, fourteen (14) feet six (6) inches high, and ninety-five (95) feet long. Movement requirements are as follows: Vehicles greater than ten (10) feet wide and up to twelve (12) feet wide, and up to eighty (80) feet long shall travel with one (1) amber warning light while operating on state maintained roadways in Florida. Vehicles greater than ten (10) feet wide up to twelve (12) feet wide, and up to ninety-five (95) feet long shall travel with two (2) amber warning lights (one on the front and one on the rear) while operating on state maintained roadways in

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TRAVEL SOUTH OF FLORIDA CITY:

Vehicles greater than ten (10) feet wide shall operate with one (1) qualified escort at all times when traveling south of Florida City. Overweight loads are not allowed to operate south of Florida City with this letter.

AUTHORIZED TRAVEL TIMES:

Vehicles described in this letter may travel all days, all hours.

LIMITED PERMIT (WAIVER):

Nothing in this letter shall be construed to allow any vehicle to exceed weight and height limits posted for bridges and like structures, nor shall anything in this letter be construed to relieve any vehicle or the carrier, owner, or driver of any vehicle from compliance with any restrictions other than those specified in this letter, or from any statute, rule, order or other legal requirement not specifically waived herein. The transporter is responsible for verifying adequate vertical and horizontal clearance. The transporter shall carry this letter and the appropriate map on board at all times during the move or display an electronic copy of both upon request. The transporter is responsible for demonstrating the move is part of transporting divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Please honor this letter as a Road Use Permit issued for the purpose of Invest 97L (Tropical Cyclone Four) emergency response through the earlier of August 9, 2024, the expiration or rescission of Executive Orders 24-156, 24-157, or by order of the Secretary. If you require additional information, please call (850) 410-5777, Florida Department of Transportation Road Use Permit Office.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:



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Director, Office of Maintenance



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July 30, 2020

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Executive Order 20-52, Executive Order 20-114, Executive Order 20-166 and the Sixth Amended Emergency Order issued pursuant to Executive Order 20-52, Executive Order 20-114, and Executive Order 20-166 authorize the Department of Transportation to suspend the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies, and fuel allowing the establishment of alternative size and weight restrictions for all such vehicles by permit.

Pursuant to this authority, the Florida Department of Transportation issues this letter to suspend the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies and, fuel allowing the establishment of alternative size and weight restrictions for all such vehicles by permit in excess of the normal restrictions on weight, height, length and width as provided below. The weight, height, length, and width for any such vehicle on roadways maintained by the State of Florida shall be as follows:

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