

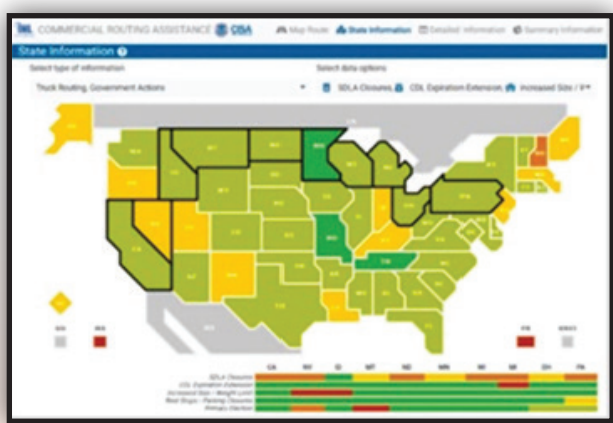


# COMMERCIAL ROUTING ASSISTANCE

## FREE Tool to Efficiently Route Trucks During COVID-19 and Disasters

Recent disruptions in supply chains and commercial transportation due to a host of policy restrictions, executive orders, declarations, waivers and closures have created massive confusion for fleet operators and independent truckers.

The Commercial Routing Assistance Tool (CRA) merges coordinated and vetted data streams, plots multiple automated or custom routing options, and visualizes the wide variety of state regulations and actions that a driver would encounter along a route. With the CRA, commercial operators can plan vehicle movements across multiple states quickly, particularly during emergencies. Learn more at: [cra.inl.gov](http://cra.inl.gov)



### ESSENTIAL FOR:

- Operations
- Fleet Managers
- Dispatchers
- Independent Owner/Operators
- Logistics
- Emergency Managers

Designed by Idaho National Laboratories

Supported by:  
DHS Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA)

The CRA enables a user to simply enter a starting point and a destination to see a visualization of several alternative routes and select one that reduces the risk of unnecessary delays.

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# FIND THE MOST EFFICIENT ROUTE FAST

## The Commercial Routing Assistance Tool Simplifies Complex Routing

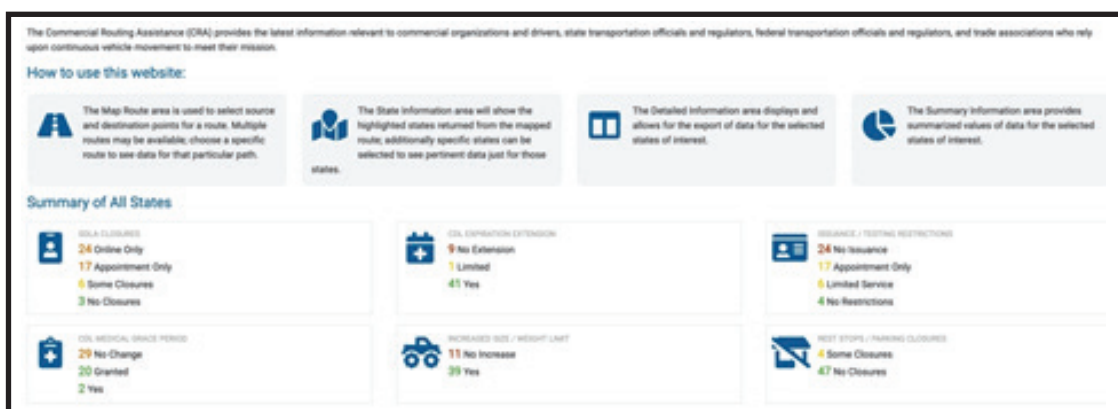
### Track Changing Declarations, Waivers and Load Limits

Decisions and actions at the state level often dictate the ease with which goods can be transported across boundaries. Particularly in the case of emergencies or disasters, a thorough understanding of the state-by-state variations of road closures, declarations, waivers, and load limits is important for operational decision makers and route planners for effective and efficient deployment of vehicles and delivery of vital supplies.

Instead of visiting dozens of state websites and trying to track a constantly changing set of restrictions, users can quickly see a number of alternative routes and pick the most efficient one based on their needs.

### BENEFITS OF THE CRA:

- Reduces time-wasting delays
- Lowers shipping costs
- Expedites transport of essential items
- Simplifies route planning



Among the data sets included in the Commercial Routing Assistance Tool are:

- *SDLA Closures*
- *CDL Expiration Extensions*
- *Issuance/Testing Restrictions*
- *CDL Medical Grace Periods*
- *Increased Size/Weight Limits*
- *Rest Stops and Parking Closures*

### Additional Functionality Coming Soon

The CRA is a useful tool today but it will become even more valuable in the future. Already designed for use on multiple platforms including mobile devices, the CRA could soon benefit from real-time updates from drivers and dispatchers, who would submit reports of new closures, conditions, curfews, or other constraints, and from new data feeds and scales of analysis.

Its current architecture allows for the integration of publicly available data streams, but future versions will, given access permissions, incorporate those that might be considered sensitive to business or national security. Future capabilities may also include filters for routing that automate the planning of routes to avoid designated areas of travel restrictions.

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