

**ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONER OF  
THE INDIANA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

WHEREAS, Ind. Code 8-23-2-4.1 provides that the Department is responsible for state highways;  
and

WHEREAS, Ind. Code 9-20-6-2 provides:

*(a) The Indiana department of transportation ...may, upon proper application in writing and upon good cause shown, grant a permit for transporting heavy vehicles and loads or other objects not conforming to this article... if the department ... finds that other traffic will not be seriously affected and the highway or bridge will not be seriously damaged.*

and;

WHEREAS, Hurricane Michael is expected to hit the southeastern United States on or about October 10, 2018, and is anticipated to cause widespread damage to infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, aid, equipment and supplies from utilities, private companies and other organizations must be transported through Indiana on the state highway system to reach areas that are expected to be impacted by Hurricane Michael;

NOW, THEREFORE, I FIND that:

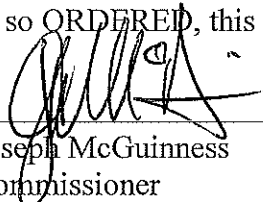
- 1.) Good cause for a special permit is evident in the need to transport aid, equipment, supplies, or personnel to areas anticipated to be impacted by Hurricane Florence; and
- 2.) Other traffic will not be seriously affected, and no highways or bridges on the interstates in Indiana will be seriously damaged by permitting oversized and overweight loads as provided under this Order and traveling through Indiana for the express purpose of providing relief to areas impacted by Hurricane Florence.

THEREFORE, I HEREBY ORDER that INDOT hereby grants a special overweight permit under IC 9-20-6-2 to any person or entity traveling through the State of Indiana on interstate highways for the express purpose of transporting aid, equipment, supplies, or personnel to aid in Hurricane Florence relief and recovery efforts, subject to the following conditions.

- 1.) This permit shall allow any person or entity participating in hurricane relief efforts to transport loads of up to 95,000 pounds on interstate highway facilities within the State of Indiana. Separate approval must be obtained from local government entities for travel on any local roads.
- 2.) The term of this permit shall be for 30 days, effective immediately.

- 3.) This permit is not vehicle-specific, and any vehicles meeting legal standards and configurations for tractors and semitrailers may be used by under this permit.
- 4.) INDOT waives any fees associated with this blanket special permit.

It is so ORDERED, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2018.



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Joseph McGuinness  
Commissioner  
Indiana Department of Transportation