

# Mid America Association of State Transportation Officials, Subcommittee on Highway Transport

## State Report

State: IN Report Date: 1/22/2021

Completed By:

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Permits Issued Prior Year: 385,934

Permits Issued Year To Date: 7,774\_

Number of Staff Issuing Permits: 9\_

Does your State offer  
Online Requests:  Yes  No

If yes what percentage  
Of permits does your  
System issue without  
Your review? \_50%\_

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### New Legislation:

SB 40: Weight limit for transport of commodities. Provides that an "overweight divisible load" includes a tractor-semitrailer and load that has a gross vehicle weight of more than 80,000 pounds but a gross vehicle weight of not more than 120,000 pounds if it is hauling certain commodities, has a certain maximum equivalent single-axle load, and is granted a permit for transporting overweight divisible loads.

HB 1190: Overweight truck permits. Provides that the Indiana department of transportation (department) may issue an overweight permit for transporting overweight vehicles and loads carrying resources on certain highways in the state highway system. Provides that an application for a permit must demonstrate that: (1) rail transportation is not an option for transporting the resources; (2) other transportation options that do not include travel using a permit have been exhausted; and (3) as a result of the lack of transportation options for this resource, supply chain interruptions or supply dock backlogs exist. Provides that if the department grants a permit to an applicant whose total equivalent single axle load calculation is equal to or less than 2.40 equivalent single axle load credit, the department shall issue the permit monthly and there is not a limit to the number of permits that may be issued. Provides that, for applicants whose total equivalent single axle load calculation is more than 2.40 equivalent single axle load

credit, the department may issue not more than 9,500 permits per month or 114,000 permits annually. Makes a conforming amendment.

Permitting System Updates: (Please include money or time saving changes)  
go live with new Promiles automated OSOW system scheduled on/after February 8.

Procedural Changes:

Innovative or Special Initiatives:

INDOT Freight and Bridge offices taking on role of agent/permit reviewer for last 2 plus years

New/Unique Communication Efforts: (Describe any outreach to your carrier population)

Outreach and collaboration with various carriers and permitting agencies to help with Beta testing have been quite successful in helping point out and correct unforeseen flaws in the upcoming system.

Special Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:

Beta testing provided critical insight as to ongoing dilemma in being able to permit self-propelled vehicles, while still protecting infrastructure assets, creating the need for the upper echelon of the chain of command (INDOT executive staff, legislators, etc.) to become involved in determining best course of action going forward.

Uniformity Pursuits:

Areas of Concern:

industry continues pursuit of overweight commodities not typically qualifying as such. Self propelled vehicles.

Successes:

Lots of valuable help/input from carrier community in getting to the point where we can finally get the automated system up and running; go live February 8!

Other: