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## Larimer County Special Transport (Oversize/Overweight) Permit Program

As a previous/current permit holder, we are reaching out to you in order to inform you a few changes to the County's oversize/overweight transportation permitting system.

Larimer County's current special transport permitting procedures have remained relatively unchanged since 1978. In an effort to update our County permitting program to be more in-line with the Colorado Department of Transportation's (CDOT) oversize/overweight permitting system (COOPR) and regulations, we are enacting the following updates to our permits:

- Since we are continuing to refine and more fully develop our long-term special transport permitting program, rather than issuing annual permits, the County will be issuing permits that will be valid until June 30, 2017. The permit fee for the 6-month permits will be one-half of our current annual fee.
- During the first half of 2017 we will be providing you with additional information about proposed revisions to our special transport regulations and permitting procedures. We are anticipating having our revised program in place by June 30<sup>th</sup> and new permits covering the remainder of 2017 will need to be obtained. Please visit our webpage <u>www.larimer.org/engineering/specialtransportation/</u> for the most up-to-date information and to start an application.
- All 2017 applicants must provide the County with their axle configurations and axle weights. A screenshot of CDOT's axle configuration/weights is acceptable. Please note that the CDOT Bridge Formula still applies along with the maximum 20,000 lb per axle load limit.
- In the case of applicants who have annual fleet permits with many potential tractor-trailer configurations, please select the vehicles which are the "worst case" configuration(s). Applicants may submit more than one configuration, but we would ask that you send only what you believe to be the heaviest configurations with the heaviest axle-group weights in your fleet. This will greatly assist us in processing your permit(s) quickly and efficiently.
- All applicants must attach a proposed route map. The proposed route map for your annual permit(s) must be realistic. Please do not highlight all the roads in the County as doing so will only delay issuance of a permit. The best route maps are the ones which include the origin and destination points and utilize County mainline roads as much as possible. If you need a more specific route analyzed that is off the mainline system, please

understand that this may delay your application in order to examine all the potentially impacted structures on the special route.

- All 97,000 lb oversize/overweight 2016 annual permits expire December 31, 2016. However, the County is granting a temporary 60-day extension on all 2016 annual permits until March 1, 2017. <u>Please attach this letter to your active permit(s)</u>. This will serve as an <u>amendment to your 2016 permit(s) and must be carried with you at all times</u>.
- If you already have an 110,000 lb temporary annual permit that was issued in the past 6 months, it is valid until June 30, 2017 as noted on your permit. Please contact us if you have any questions.
- All supporting documentation (i.e. axle configurations, axle weights, and proposed route map(s)) for your 2017 permit application(s) must be received by January 31, 2017 in order to guarantee issuance of new permits by March 1, 2017. Any documents received after January 31, 2017 will be reviewed as they are received and may delay your 2017 application(s).

We would appreciate your feedback as we work towards updating our Larimer County oversize/overweight permitting system. For the latest information regarding any changes to our permit system and roadway network, please visit our Engineering webpage at: <u>www.larimer.org/engineering</u>.

Respectfully,

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