

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

## State Report

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Permits Issued Prior Year: 150,532

Permits Issued Year To Date: 12,995

Number of Staff Issuing Permits: 8

Does your State offer  
Online Requests:  Yes  No

If yes what percentage  
Of permits does your  
System issue without  
Your review? 70%

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### New Legislation:

Permitting System Updates: (Please include money or time saving changes)  
Completed 72 page employee OSOW procedures manual that will be very helpful in training new staff.  
Includes easy using and understanding screen shots, active links, regulations, and step by step instructions.

### Procedural Changes:

### Innovative or Special Initiatives:

MCS completed our first "remote audit" of trucks hauling asphalt on a MoDOT project. The remote audit was made possible by working with the Construction & Materials division to make license plate numbers required on all job weigh tickets. This first audit shows that this process is a more efficient way to make sure trucks on MoDOT projects are operating at legal weights. Submitted to the Innovations Challenge competition.

New/Unique Communication Efforts: (Describe any outreach to your carrier population)  
MCS invited to make presentation on route restrictions to statewide Fall Maintenance meeting.

Worked in cooperation with Dept. of Agriculture and MSHP to develop and implement communication plan for increased livestock and grain hauling weights. This included: press releases, pamphlets, information at state fair, posted bridge listings and agency websites.

Department of Ag indicated willingness for a much needed review of Ag statutes as they relate to transportation and CMVs.

MCS now participates in the weekly statewide work zone conference calls. This has resulted in the well-receive "Weekly Missouri Trucking Corridor Report", which is sent to the MCS email distribution.

Special Challenges Affecting Permit Operations:  
Debbie, Davin, and Aaron are working with SC&RA, MSHP and HELP, Inc. to pilot a Sealed Container by-pass option at weigh stations.

Debbie Bradshaw is working with MSHP to address the lack of resources needed for patrol escorts for the increasing number of Superloads. Exploring a waiver process for certain types/lengths of loads and enlisting the Missouri National Guard to assist with escorts.

Revised the process for Superloads due to concerns from the districts and MSHP and an increasing incidence of loads being off-route, not being able to make turns and curb damage, etc. The new processes have mitigated several potential issues and problems.

MCS worked with the Bridge and Transportation Planning divisions to develop a new Gross Weight Restricted Bridge web page. The information will be used by carriers and others within the department.

Uniformity Pursuits:

Areas of Concern:

MCS collaborated with the SW District to design a OSOW truck-friendly roundabout in an area with heavy routing of OSOW loads.

MCS collaborated with the SL District in the project planning of a roundabout in an area with heavy CMV volume.

Successes:

Superload agents toured work zones with Central District staff on November 18, 2015. This new and unique approach provided first-hand experience and knowledge of the

challenges we face in the coordination of moving these large loads. MCS has changed some routing in the CD in response to feedback from the tour.

Implemented a new in-house process for issuing 72- hour trip and fuel permits from the new Legatus module MCS developed for the MSHP at weigh stations. This is a substantial time saver and simplified process.

Debbie Bradshaw, Supervisor of OSOW, worked with Design and Bridge divisions to make revisions to EPG 760.4.2 and Bridge Clearance Report (C-239A). The changes were made to reduce the information collected to only what is currently needed by MCS and Bridge and to clarify when the information should be submitted.

MCS developed a transportation story and presentation, "You Can't Get There from Here – A Transportation Story of Oversized Proportions". It was presented at the 2015 statewide Fall Maintenance Meeting and at the MDTA Board Meeting.

Using employee suggestions, the CCC supervisors began a trial 4- 10 hr. day work schedule for agents wishing to participate. This has greatly reduced the number of unworked documents in the work list and significantly made the "busy season" more manageable. statewide Fall Maintenance Meeting and at the MDTA Board Meeting.

Other:

MCS has contributed to the Road to Tomorrow initiative by: Assisting with the kick-off event at the MHTC meeting; Reaching out to Peloton Technology about Truck Platooning; Assisting with the draft legislative language to allow platooning; Meeting with the Truck Ferry group; and helping to find industry partners for the Truck Ferry Advisory Council.