



SIGNIFICANT CHANGE TO OVERSIZE/OVERWEIGHT VEHICLE PERMITTING

Starting July 16, 2018, bridge analysis will be required for an Oversize/Overweight (OSOW) Vehicle permit requests for a gross vehicle weight (GVW) load of 134,000 pounds or greater. The Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) sent notices to contractors and other permittees during the week of July 1, 2018. The [memorandum](#) can be found on the Indiana Department of Revenue's (INDOR) [Oversize/Overweight web page](#). The current threshold triggering a bridge analysis is 200,000 GVW.

ICI staff and industry members met with INDOT and INDOR staff on July 9 to review the change and discuss expected challenges for all stakeholders due to the change. INDOT Bridge Design Division is currently gearing up for estimated 120 bridge analyses per day (based on summer month volume) by hiring six dedicated administrative staff. Industry expressed concerns with rerouting due to deficient bridges and permits in critical situations driven by the typical characteristics of heavy highway and bridge construction including weather and unforeseen conflicts. INDOT stressed planning to provide a two to three-day notice. But, agency representatives stated they will consider avenues for emergency permits for unforeseen circumstances to avoid missing critical project deadlines.

[INDOR provided guidance](#) to ICI including OSOW Vehicle permit route text entering instructions.