

#### Idaho Transportation Department (ITD)

# Oversize and Overweight Load Movements in Idaho





#### Idaho Overlegal Permit Process

Idaho Code Title 49 Chapter 10 Weight, Speed and Tire Regulations states:

49-1004 Permits for overweight or oversize loads -- Special pilot project routes and annual permits. (1) Upon application in writing to the board or other proper authorities in charge of, or having jurisdiction over a highway, the board or authorities may in their discretion issue a special permit to the owner or operator of any vehicle allowing vehicles or loads having a greater weight or size than permitted by law to be moved or carried over and on the highways and bridges.



#### **Permit Information Overview**

- > ITD issues 66,000 to 68,000 overlegal permits on a yearly basis.
- 45% 50% of overlegal permits issued for non-reducible loads.
- > ITD has a centralized overlegal permit office.
- Majority of overlegal permit requests are received via a phone call from customers.
- Requests for overlegal permits are seasonal.



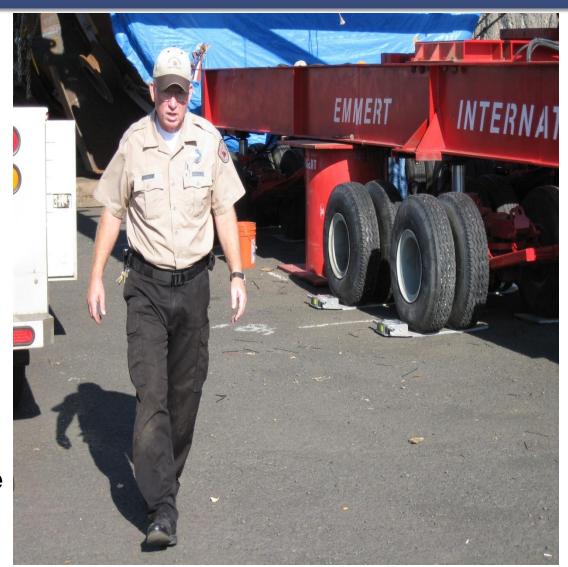
#### Coordination

- District Maintenance Engineers determine logistical requirements needed to ensure safe movement and convenience to the traveling public:
  - 1. Routing for height/width/length or construction restrictions
  - 2. Number of pilot cars required
  - 3. Traffic Control Plan if required
- Permits that exceed certain weight limitations must be approved by ITD Bridge Engineer prior to issuance to ensure infrastructure is not damaged.
  - 1. Restrictions include lowered speed, center-lining of bridge, no other vehicles on bridge or denial of permit request.



#### **Movement of Commerce**

- > ITD Mission:
  - 1. Your Safety
  - 2. Your Mobility
  - 3. Your Economic Opportunity
- ITD supports the Trucking Advisory Council (TAC).
- While promoting commerce, ITD is diligent that safety to industry, traveling public and infrastructure is adhered to.





#### **Community Impacts**

- Contested issuance of overlegal permits for Kearl Oil Sands Project.
- Imperial Oil contacted ITD in 2008 to determine what the requirements were to utilize US12 for the movement of their equipment.
- Imperial Oil conducted three public open houses in 2010.
- US12 is a scenic byway and an All American road. Additionally the Lochsa and Clearwater River are federally protected Wild & Scenic rivers.



## **Community Impacts (Cont.)**





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- Two hearings were held in December 2010 and April 2011.
- Due to delays, Imperial Oil reduced the size and weight of the modules in order to use alternate highways.
- Other moves still being made on US12 as they were not contested by Idaho citizens.
- Emmert International moved 4 coke drums to a refinery in Billings, MT.



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- Currently there are no Imperial Oil specialized equipment modules at the Idaho Port of Lewiston.
- Modules are being transported across Idaho on I-90 from the Washington to the Montana on a consistent basis.
- No additional overlegal permit requests from Imperial Oil for the transportation of large equipment on US12.
- ➤ ITD continues to apply the same principles of safety, mobility and economic opportunity to the movement of all commerce on Idaho highways.

#### Thank you

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