

Trucking Advisory Council

MINUTES FEBRUARY 20TH. 2019

8:30-12:00 PM MST

Idaho Transportation Department
Aeronautics Conference Room
3483 Rickenbacker St., Boise ID 83705

BOARD ATTENDEES	John Pocock, Chairman Frank Buell Wally Burchak Tony Black Kevin Iverson Dave McNabb <i>Heath Treasure – by phone</i>
LIAISON ATTENDEES	Reymundo Rodriguez, ITD Jeff Marker, ITD Jerri Hunter, ITD Pat Carr, ITD Ramon Hobdey-Sanchez, ITD Renee' Becker Johnson, ITD Kevin Davis, ISTC <i>Captain Scott Hanson, ISP – by phone</i>
OTHER ATTENDEES	Jerry Deckard, Capitol West Shawn Keogh, Associated Logging Contractors (ALC) Alan Glenkel, ITA or Western Trailer? Daniel Reines

Agenda topics

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

CHAIRMAN JOHN POCOCK

** MOTION	The Minutes were distributed and the Council will review and email any modifications to Chairman Pocock and Mr. Rodriguez.
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INTRODUCTIONS

CHAIRMAN JOHN POCOCK/
REYMUNDO RODRIGUEZ, ITD

	Chairman Pocock and Mr. Rodriguez made welcoming messages and began the meeting.
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ITD LEGISLATIVE INTERIM COMMITTEE UPDATE, PLANNED
OUTREACH AND SPONSORED LEGISLATION

RAMON HOBDEY-SANCHEZ, ITD

DISCUSSION	<p>The 2019 1st Regular Session of the 65th Idaho Legislature officially adjourned sine die on Thursday, April 11th @ 4:20pm; which means the legislative session has now come to a close! It also means that this session was the 3rd longest in state history (2003: 118 days & 2009: 117 days). An unprecedented situation in which all of the Idaho Administrative Procedures Act (IDAPA) will expire at midnight on June 30th. Governor Little will clearly take action to address this before then, but it will most likely just be a temporary fix. So, ITD may be required to present all 66 of our administrative rules at the beginning of next year's session.</p> <p>The following is a final check of the pertinent bills we tracked:</p> <p><i>Failed, but of Significance</i></p> <p>SIPF 5yr Extension [Sen. Brackett] – SB1063 Distracted Driving & Infractions [Sen. Rice] – SB1064 CMV Cost per Mile (35 Bands) 3.0 [Sen. Brackett] – SB1209</p> <p><u>LAW</u></p> <p>Securement of Logs [Rep. Dixon/ALC] – HB2aaS UTV Definition [Rep. Addis] – HB24 Off-Highway Vehicles: Nonresidents [Rep. Gestrin] – HB75 E-Bikes [Rep. Ricks] – HB76 Idaho Medal of Honor Hwy: US-20 [Rep. Syme] – HB89 ATV/UTV Definition: Width [Rep. Monks] – HB90 Overhanging Loads: Flag Size [Rep. Kauffman] – HB126 129K Clean-up [Rep. Palmer] – HB167 129K Trucks on Local Roadways [Rep. Palmer] – HB168 Railroad Crossings & Stop Signs [Rep. Palmer] – HB208 Passing/Overtaking School Buses [Sen. Winder] – SB1131aa Remove ISP from HDA 2.0 [Sen. Brackett] – SB1201</p>
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HAY/STRAW BALE SECUREMENT


CHAIRMAN JOHN POCOCK

Discussion	<p>Captain Hanson stated that ISP supports ITD. Mr. Rodriguez stated that we will need to work with our partners (ISP, Hay and Forage Association, Farm Bureau and Stakeholders) and we will need to do some outreach with these partners. We can schedule meetings with these partners and see where they stand on this issue. Mr. Black asked what the law currently states and Captain Hanson stated hay bales only need strapped if going interstate, if local they do not need to be strapped, they just have to not fall off as then they can be cited for littering or placing debris on the highway. Chairman Pocock stated that he often sees where they strap the loads old style where the hay bales pop out in the middle, they need to use belly straps and front and back need to be strapped.</p>
	<p>Chairman Pocock asked if all were in support of proceeding with this initiative of collaborating with the hay hauling industry to enhance safety and the council agreed to this initiative.</p>
	<p>Mr. McNabb asked why was it shot down originally and Mr. Rodriguez stated that we received notice from the governor's office to not proceed at that time.</p>
	<p>Pat Carr, Manager of Policy and Program for Section of Motor Vehicles (DMV) explained the process of proposing new legislation for ITD. Legislative ideas need to be submitted prior to April 1st, once submitted it is reviewed with Policy and Program and the DMV Administrator. The list of approved ideas are presented to the ITD Board at the June Board Meeting. Upon approval it is taken to the Governor's Office by the Leadership Team. Ms. Carr encouraged the group to get the Stakeholders involved and also suggested to ITA to the group of partners to collaborate with ITD. Mr. Deckard suggested adding Bob Naerebout from the Dairyman's Association to the list concerning hay securement.</p>
	<p>Mr. Black stated that possibly a fine increase would be an idea.</p>
	<p>Mr. Burchak suggested that by policing ourselves it improves safety for our companies and families. He would like to see securement with a minimum standard.</p>
	<p>Mr. Buell stated that we need to have securement on everything.</p>
	<p>Mr. Treasure stated he was concur the consensus and everything needs securement. Speeds have changed and everything needs straps.</p>
	<p>Chairman Pocock stated that we should meet with stakeholders and come up with a couple of ideas to go to the governor's office</p>
	<p>Mr. Rodriguez stated that in 2006 two legislative bills were submitted and in 2007 it was a legislative idea that was submitted.</p>
***ACTION	<p>Reymundo Rodriguez/Renee' Becker Johnson – summarize items for meeting and submit back to TAC for approval. After approval set up meeting in late March or early April with ISP, Hay and Forage Association, Farm Bureau, Dairy Association, ITA and Stakeholders in Boise area to see where they stand on this issue. Summary of ideas that were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Everything strapped. • Raising the cost of the penalty. • If traveling on highways where the speed limit is 55 would require minimum securement standards. • State/Interstate would need securement but not on county roads. • In excess of 5 miles from loading of hay would require securement on all roads.
	<p>Chairman Pocock asked Mr. Rodriguez if statistics on crashes involving hay bales is available. Mr. Rodriguez will request from Highway Safety and report back to group.</p>
***ACTION	<p>Reymundo Rodriguez request statistics on Hay bale crashes and report back to TAC</p>

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

WALLY BURCHAK

DISCUSSION	<p>Mr. Burchak stated that he would like to come up with a registration system that is more user based. He stated the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Problem is seasonal drivers are hit the hardest with the currently system; • The state transportation is underfunded; • It is not a user based system; • Costs to not match revenue.
	<p>The attached spreadsheets were discussed and this was sent to Dave Tolman from ITD, Senator Crabtree and Senator Bracket detailing a possible solution. This was meant to start the conversation on possible holistic registration solutions.</p>

	 IDMileageTaxProposal (2).xlsx
	Ms. Keough stated any change in revenue should be revenue neutral to the state of Idaho.
	Chairman Pocock stated that we need to come up with funding for the infrastructure although currently Idaho is the 4 th highest in registration fees in the nation.
	Mr. Black stated he agrees with Mr. Burchak. Mr. Black stated he liked the idea, pay for what you use.
	It was noted that Senator Brackets bills SB1066 and SB 1067 died in legislation but they have created an opportunity for conversation and for future sessions.
	Mr. Treasure stated his personal opinion is to have a registration based on road tax and not be tied to increases in fuel tax.
	Ms. Keough stated we need to be fair, equitable and revenue neutral. Building for the future, building systems to ensure every truck on the road is paying fairly. Building a system that will be fair for at least the next 20 years.
	It was relayed to the council that the following are mileage based states: OR, NM, KY and NY.
	Chairman Pocock and Mr. Rodriguez noted that previously Idaho had 2 mileage rates and was found to be unconstitutional and sued by ATA and that is how the current system came about.
	Chairman Pocock noted red fuel should also be monitored.
	Mr. Hobdey-Sanchez commended Mr. Burchak for his presentation and stated that there are variables that go into funding since we have 50 states and they go all directions with how they manage registration of commercial vehicles.
	It was relayed that Senator Bracket has stressed his interest on this subject and looks to continue to find a solution for this issue.


NEW REGISTRATIONS AND PERMIT SYSTEM UPDATE

REYMUNDO RODRIGUEZ, ITD
AND JERRI HUNTER, ITD

DISCUSSION	Ms. Hunter stated the current effort to modernize commercial registrations. Fall 2017 there was a third-party vendor acquired for IRP commercial registrations as the old vendor decided to close shop in late 2017. ITD received an exemption to find a vendor immediately and went live with the Celtic system on December 1 st , 2017. This program was launched in 45 days. Celtic will be provider for the IRP/Full Fee Motor Carrier system that will go live with online processing on July 1, 2019. The registration and the special permit systems will be 2 different systems but they will communicate together.
	Mr. Rodriguez stated the RFP included Overlegal Permitting system and ProMiles won the bid. Routing by vehicle size and weight and bridge analysis in the most efficient way are included in the system, it is a great automation and time saver. The system will check 511 and if something comes up on the route routed, the system will email the carrier and reroute the vehicle for the specific permit. There will also be a \$5.00 reduction for each online annual permit ordered. There is 24/7 access to the system and it will save labor and time. Our goal was to be automated as much as we can, create better customer service and increased efficiency.
	Chairman Pocock asked if it will integrate with the county registration system. Mr. Rodriguez stated the systems are separate but there will be connectivity with the new county system. ETA for this connectivity is end of 2019. Chairman Pocock stated a recent issue where his employee went to port and renewed all of their trailers but then discovered that there were several vehicles with county issued plates that were missed and were on the road without proper registration. This should be alleviated by the new system once both the state and county system are integrated.
	Mr. McNabb asked since electronic permits are allowed, are electronic insurance documents allowed? Captain Hanson stated that currently ISP accepts any electronic documents when they request insurance documentation.

129K UPDATES

JEFF MARKER, ITD

DISCUSSION	Jeff Marker provided a presentation on the Idaho Freight Program. Focused on ITD Mission – “Your Safety, Your Mobility, Your Economic Opportunity.” Data Driven Inputs to Idaho Transportation Investment Plan (ITIP)
	 Freight - TAC (20 Feb 19).pptx
	Mr. Marker has accepted a promotion but will continue to fill in until that position has been hired.

	Chairman Pocock commended Mr. Marker on a job well done in providing updates concerning the 129K route requests/approvals.
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RECRUITMENT OF DRIVERS

CHAIRMAN JOHN POCOCK

DISCUSSION	Chairman Pocock stated that there is too few young people coming in to apply for driving jobs and has had 10-12 drivers retire in the past few years. Possible ideas may be to work with Idaho Trucking Association (ITA), ATA, the State, Job Fairs or etc. Chairman Pocock asked for any ideas from the group.
	Mr. Burchak suggested that possibly with the technology and the change of automatic trucks it opens a whole new venue of things being more computerized may attract the younger generation.
	Mr. Treasure stated that they are always hiring but currently he is encouraging his recruiting team to continue to find ways to make the truck driving industry inviting. He also stated that we need to come out with new features and opportunities regularly. We need to create new "Buzz" to attract potential new drivers.
	Chairman Pocock stated that we need to make driving exciting for the younger generation. He also stated that when he hires under age of 25, his insurance has sky rocketed.
	Mr. Iverson stated they hire intra-state at 18 years old, they are self-insured and are able to do this.
	Mr. Ginkel stated that you lose drivers when you run them to death and thought that Job Fairs would be an option. The ITA has done this in the past to generate interest among job seekers.
	Mr. Treasure suggested recruiting at military job fairs. He will send a group to find out about military job fairs and another option would be parolees/prison system.
	Ms. Carr stated the military as an option for recruitment; they can surrender their military license for an Idaho CDL. Also the prison has CDL programs where the prisoners are able to obtain their CDLs and possibly this could be an option for recruitment.
	Mr. Burchak suggested possibly having trade schools with the idea of possible scholarships for future drivers.
	Mr. Buell stated they have tried with their local schooling, veterans, military etc. and have not found any success. The military folks want to be local and operate close to home.
	The group discussed inviting the following to the next meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FMCSA – Rich York • Department of Labor • North Idaho College • State Education – Matt Freeman • Higher Education – Dwight Johnson • Idaho Labor – Wendy Sequest • ITA
**ACTION	Reymundo Rodriguez - Add to next meeting - Recruitment of Drivers

TIME AND DATES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

DISCUSSION	The next TAC meeting will be held May 15 th at the Aeronautics Conference Room, 3483 Rickenbacker St., Boise, Idaho.
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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS	Recruitment of Drivers Transportation Funding OR, WA & ID - Formula B – Jerry Whitehead will gather information
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