OVERLEGAL PERMIT OPERATIONS

Purpose
This policy defines the Board’s authority on issuing overlegal vehicle or load permits.

Legal Authority
• Idaho Code 40-310(10) - Restrict use of any state highway whenever a restriction is deemed necessary by the Board for the protection of the public or for the protection of the highway or any section from damage.
• Idaho Code 40-312(1) - Prescribe rules and regulations affecting state highways.
• Idaho Code 40-505 - The Director shall enforce all laws related to the Department and exercise all necessary powers.
• Idaho Code 49-1004 - Permits for overweight or oversize loads on state highways.
• Idaho Code 49-1010 - General rule of size of vehicles and loads allowed on state highways.
• Idaho Code 49-1011 - Specific exceptions regarding allowed size of vehicles and loads allowed on state highways.

The Transportation Board, as authorized by Idaho Code, may issue overlegal permits allowing transportation of vehicles and/or loads in excess of legal width, height, length and/or weight limits on state highways. The Board may also promulgate and administer regulations outlining the overlegal permit conditions necessary to preserve and protect the highway system and ensure the traveling public’s safety during movement of overlegal vehicles and/or loads.

The Board may authorize the Director or a delegate to designate certain qualified routes of the State Highway System for overlegal operations as follows:
• Route capacity (weight, width, length, and height)
• Routes for extra-length vehicle combinations
• Routes for up to 129,000 pound vehicle combinations

The Director or a delegate shall consider structure load capacity, roadway width, alignment, accident history, and traffic volumes when designating routes.

Approved by the Board on:

Signed Date August 21, 2014
Jerry Whitehead
Board Chairman