

NOTICE OF PROPOSED GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

Wisconsin Department of Transportation Frozen Road Declaration DTSD54

Pursuant to Wis. Stat. s. 227.112, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation is hereby seeking comment on the Frozen Road Declaration, s. 348.175 Wis. Stats.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION

Comments may be submitted to the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for 21 days by:

1. Department's website: <https://appengine.egov.com/apps/wi/dot/guidance-docs?guidDocId=DTSD54>
2. Mailing written comments to:
Division of Transportation System Development
Wisconsin Department of Transportation
4822 Madison Yards Way
PO Box 7965
Madison, WI 53707-7965

WEBSITE LOCATION OF FINAL GUIDANCE DOCUMENT

The final version of this guidance document will be posted at wisconsindot.gov to allow for ongoing comment.

AGENCY CONTACT

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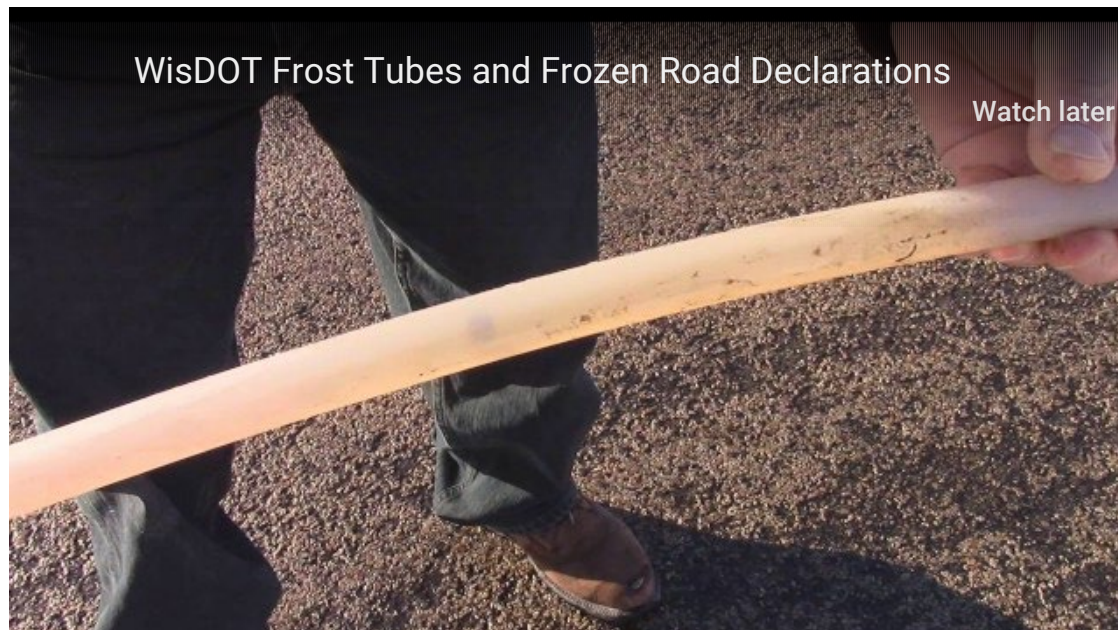
The Frozen Road Period ends STATEWIDE as of 12:01 a.m., Saturday, March 16, 2019.

The frozen road declaration is normally in effect from mid December to late February or early March. Eligibility for increased weight limitations is restricted to vehicles hauling abrasives or salt for highway winter maintenance and peeled or unpeeled forest products cut crosswise not to include woodchips. For legally licensed vehicles hauling these loads, no special permit is required during this period. Legally licensed means currently registered for 80,000 pounds, or the maximum Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW), if less than 80,000 pounds.

Local county or township road maintenance authorities are responsible for determining when local and county roads are frozen or thawing. Questions related to frozen road conditions on local or county roads should be referred to the maintaining authority for those roads.

Interactive Map - Seasonal Load Limits Boundaries

- [Current Frozen Road Declaration](#) (Updated March 15, 2019)
- [History](#) (Updated March 5, 2018)
- [Maintenance Manual Guideline \(6-5-5\)](#) (Updated January 17, 2012)
- [How do we determine when the roads are frozen or in thaw?](#) (January 20, 2017)



Call (608) 266-8417 for a recorded message of the current status of the frozen road declaration.

Contact

Questions about overweight/oversize permits:
Motor carrier services, oversize-permits.dmv@dot.wi.gov
(608) 266-7320

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