



Florida Department of Transportation

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GOVERNOR

KEVIN J. THIBAUT, P.E.
SECRETARY

**COVID-19 Public Health Emergency
First Amended EMERGENCY ORDER
(Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-52)**

I hereby find that the Department of Transportation's timely performance of disaster response functions related to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency is hindered by the application of procedures imposed by statute, rule, or order.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted by Section 4 of Executive Order 20-52, I hereby suspend the effect of any statute, rule, or order, as needed to: (i) suspend the size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies, and agricultural products as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, allowing the establishment of alternative size and weight restrictions for all such vehicles by permit.

I hereby also suspend any statute, rule, or order, to the extent needed to procure any and all necessary supplies, commodities, services, temporary premises, and other resources, and to use State Transportation Trust Funds off the State Highway System to assist with the provision and coordination of state emergency health tests as prescribed in the State Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan or as directed by the State Coordinating Officer.

This order shall expire on the earlier of the expiration or rescission of Executive Order 20-52 or April 14, 2020 unless extended by me.

Effective this 24th day of March 2020.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Kevin J. Thibault", is written over a horizontal line.

Kevin J. Thibault, P.E., Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation