COVID-19 Public Health Emergency
Third 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 the travel, conditions of employment and the compensation of employees and to use State Transportation Trust Funds off the State Highway System to ensure the timely performance of the Department of Transportation’s disaster response functions as prescribed in the State Comprehensive Management Plan or as directed by the State Coordinating Officer to coordinate state emergency health tests.

This order shall expire on the earlier of the expiration or rescission of Executive Order 20-52 or May 8, 2020 unless extended by me.

Effective this 9th day of April 2020.

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