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MEMORANDUM

DATE: August 24, 2020

TO: Motor Carrier Size and Weight Personnel

FROM: Paul Clark, Statewide Scale Operations Manager 

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SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY RESPONSE VEHICLES TO BYPASS WEIGH STATION FACILITIES IN RESPONSE TO TROPICAL STORM LAURA and TROPICAL STORM LAURA

Effective immediately, emergency response vehicles such as, but not limited to, utility vehicles, bucket trucks, and electric utility supply trucks responding to Tropical Storm Laura and Tropical Storm Marco are given authorization to bypass all FDOT weigh station facilities thru August 25, 2020. This authorization does not include vehicles that require permits to operate on Florida's roadways. This authorization does not relieve size and weight restrictions. This bypass letter only applies weigh stations and to vehicles traveling in convoy.

This effort has been coordinated with personnel with the Florida Highway Patrol and the Department of Agriculture to expedite emergency response.