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Subject: Introduction of the Pilot Car Load Movement Guidelines

Purpose:

This Technical Circular introduces Appendix G: Pilot Car Load Movement Guidelines of the 2015 Interim Traffic Management Manual for Work on Roadways.

The Pilot Car Load Movement Guidelines (PCLMG) have been developed to support activities for the safe movement of oversize loads over BC highways. The standards for pilot cars and their equipment are set out in the *BC Commercial Transport Regulations Division 8*. These guidelines intend to clarify, enhance and support the conditions for travel that are set out in provincial permits for oversize and overweight loads.

Background:

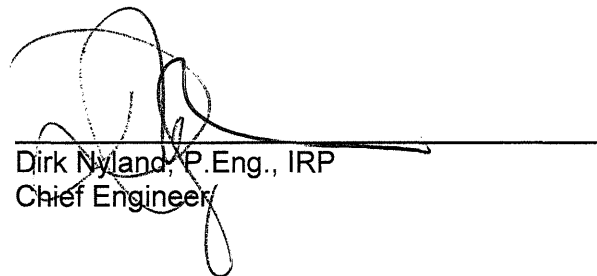
Pilot cars play an important role in making sure that unusually large loads or wide vehicles travel BC's roads safely. Pilot cars function to warn other road users of the presence of an oversize vehicle, assist in maneuvering the load through constrained areas, and keeping traffic delays to a minimum. These guidelines have been developed using information for a variety of other jurisdictions, organizations, and the pilot car and trucking industry in Western Canada.

Implementation Schedule:

Effective February 15, 2017, the Pilot Car Load Movement Guidelines will be mandatory for all permitted load movement requiring pilot cars on Provincial Highways. Provincial 'T-Forms', or permit attachment forms, will reflect this requirement effective the same date.

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