

VAN BUREN COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

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**ROAD COMMISSION TO IMPLEMENT SEASONAL WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS
ON FEBRUARY 28TH AT 6:00 AM**

THE ROAD COMMISSION WANTS YOU TO KNOW . . .

The Van Buren County Road Commission will implement full Seasonal Weight Restrictions beginning Friday, February 28, 2025 for all roadways under the jurisdiction of the Van Buren County Road Commission, with the exception of its State Class A and County Class A roadways (All-Season roads).

“Seasonal Weight Restrictions are designed to preserve roads from the impact of heavy trucks on Van Buren County’s roads during the cycle of freezing and thawing”, said AJ Brucks, Permit Officer and County Weighmaster for the Van Buren County Road Commission. “As the ground thaws, water is forced toward the surface and creates pressure on roads causing potholes and other damage. The heavier the vehicle, the greater the possibility of damaging the roads.”

By law, road agencies can enact restrictions on roads that are not designated as “All-Season” when conditions merit. These seasonal weight restrictions lower the axle-loading limits by 35% and reduce the maximum travel speed to 35 MPH for vehicles over 10,000 pounds. All Van Buren County roads are restricted with weight and speed limits implemented unless they are listed as All-Season. For more information, please visit the Road Commission’s website at <https://www.vbcrc.org/seasonalpermits>.

To receive future email/fax updates from the Road Commission regarding the implementation/removal of Seasonal Weight Restrictions please contact AJ Brucks, Permit Officer, at AJBrucks@vbcrc.org or by phone at 269-674-8011, Extension 252.

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