



**ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**  
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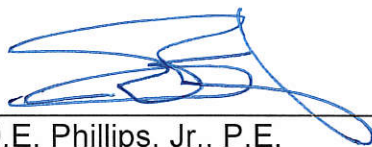
*Robert Bentley*  
Governor

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Transportation Director

September 7, 2016

**MEMORANDUM 2016-10**

TO: All County Engineers and Area County Transportation Engineers



FROM: D.E. Phillips, Jr., P.E.  
State County Transportation Engineer

RE: **County Bridge Posting Re-Certification**

**Bridge Posting Re-Certification**

All Counties are required to certify, in writing, to the County Transportation Bureau by **October 7, 2016**, that all bridges requiring posting are posted in accordance with current standards. **Effective with the November 4, 2016 letting and all future lettings next year, FHWA will not authorize Federal Aid projects for any County that has not re-certified that its bridges have been posted.**

Please be aware that failure to post bridges properly is a serious violation of the National Bridge Inspection Standards (NBIS) and any County doing so is considered in non-compliance with the NBIS. **Any County found to be in non-compliance with the NBIS is subject to having any and all Federal or State aid withheld.**

All Bridge Inspection Compliance Reviews now include a field review to ensure that bridges are being properly posted. Some of the inconsistencies noted during recent Bridge Inspection Reviews include the following:

- Bridges that were posted for values higher than those recommended by the Bridge Rating Section of the ALDOT Maintenance Bureau
- Bridge posting signs that were only present at one end of the bridge
- Bridges recommended to be posted by ALDOT that were not posted
- Bridges recommended to be closed by ALDOT that were not closed

Please submit a listing of all posted bridges in your county. Please note that this list cannot be a BrM generated posting report, but must be a report the county produced. An excel spreadsheet that can be used as a template is attached. The counties are not required to use this exact spreadsheet; however the fields listed on this spreadsheet must be provided and are the minimum required to be in full compliance.

The Posting Re-Certification should be transmitted to this office under a cover letter, signed by the County Engineer, certifying that **“the attached list includes all of the bridges that are posted, and all that have been recommended to be posted by the ALDOT Bridge Load Rating Section. The bridges on this list are posted in the field for the recommended posting values (or lower).”**

This memo will also be e-mailed to all of the counties.

If you have any questions about the posting re-certification, please feel free to contact James Boyer at (334)-242-6619.

| BIN       | Local ID | AS POSTED IN THE FIELD* |          |          |          |            |        |            |                     |  |  | DATE CHECKED |           |
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|           |          | H-TRUCK                 | TWO-AXLE | TRI-AXLE | CONCRETE | 18 WHEELER | 6 AXLE | SCHOOL BUS | GROSS LOAD POSTED** |  |  |              |           |
| Example 1 | 158Z     | 19                      |          | 33       | 32       |            |        | 10         |                     |  |  |              | 8/15/2015 |
| Example 2 | 160Z     |                         |          |          |          |            |        |            |                     |  |  | 10           | 8/15/2015 |
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\* = VALUES MUST BE FIELD VERIFIED  
\*\* = ONLY USE IF STRUCTURE IS GROSS LOAD POSTED