



COLORADO

State Patrol

Department of Public Safety

Hazardous Materials Section
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Golden, Colorado 80401

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Colorado Hazardous Materials Carriers

To Whom It May Concern:

As you are aware, In February of 2019, the Colorado Department of Transportation began a construction project on Highway 71 between Ordway, Colorado and the junction with US-50, necessitating a closure of that highway. Recognizing that Highway 71 is a critical hazardous materials route for the region, pursuant to its authority under 42-20-301, CRS, and the Code of Colorado Regulations, 8 CCR 1507, HMR 5 (D), the Colorado State Patrol designated Highway 96 and Highway 207 as a temporary alternate hazardous materials route. The Colorado State Patrol has been advised by our partners at CDOT that the project has been completed and is once again open for travel.

This letter serves to inform hazardous materials carriers that the temporary alternate routing in the area will be rescinded, effective Monday, December 16, 2019 at 8:00am MST. After that time, carriers hauling hazardous materials that are required to abide by the state's hazardous materials routing system pursuant to 42-20-301, et. seq. CRS., will no longer be authorized to use the temporary, alternate hazardous materials route, beyond the provisions allowable in state statute under 42-20-305 (1), CRS.

Recognizing that the temporary, alternate routing has been in place for some time, through December 31, 2019 troopers will be conducting patrols in the area to educate drivers about the resumption of existing hazardous materials routing in the area in an effort to gain voluntary compliance with the provisions of this notice. After that time, carriers using the previously defined temporary routes may be subject to enforcement action.

If you have further questions regarding hazardous materials routing in Colorado, please contact the Colorado State Patrol Hazardous Materials Section at 303-273-1900. To find a map of all designated hazardous materials routes in Colorado, please go to <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/csp/hazardous-materials-routing-topics>.

Respectfully,

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