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Mary Trahan and Scott Duerre, Mountrail County Highway Department staff presented the requirements of the Frost Law for Mountrail County to approximately 80 people across the Northwestern portion of the state.

Mary explained the Frost Law and how it the Frost Law was developed by NDDOT.

Mountrail County follows NDDOT Frost Law, and Mary also presented where the townships sit in reference to the county's regulations, most townships have an agreement with Mountrail County. However, the ones that do not have an agreement, have their own rules and what roads to use, etc. So, one has to look at the maps and get all parties with road jurisdiction approvals before any permit can be issued. If the township does not belong to the uniform Mountrail County permitting, contact needs to be made with the Township Board of Supervisors for a permit. If you are submitting a drilling rig move permit, and your route includes travel on a township roadway, Mountrail County now requires **written authorization** (email is acceptable) from the Township Board of Supervisor's agreeing to your route, to be received by Road and Bridge department, **prior** to approving your permit. Email notifications are to be sent to: Maryt@co.mountrail.nd.us

The permits are generally available within hours of application if not under Frost Law. Even on weekends or off hours, county personnel are available via text and email to electronically grant a permit.

There is county to county coordination for the permit application. The time frames may be different in every county but all adjacent counties are under the electronic permit system so it is seamless in that respect. All permits need approval from an authorized Township Official (name on approval) in writing, if the trip covers a township route, but can be scanned and emailed, texted, or hand carried to the County.

Many questions were answered on loads exceeding 65,000 pounds on up to overweight and height vehicles.

No permits for divisible loads in excess of weight restrictions.

A permit is for one trip, one pickup and one delivery.

LOAD RESTRICTIONS WILL BE ENFORCED BY LAW ENFORCEMENT