UPDATE <u>3:45 PM</u>

Restrictions are lifted on Interstate 81 in Lackawanna, Luzerne and Susquehanna Counties and Interstate 80 in Luzerne County.

Restrictions remain in effect on Interstates 84 and 380 until further notice. PennDOT Reduces Speed and Restricts Commercial Vehicles to Right Lane Only on Interstates in NEPA

UPDATE February 22, 2021 10:30 AM PennDOT Reduces Speed and Restricts Commercial Vehicles to Right Lane Only on Interstates in NEPA

Dunmore, PA –PennDOT is temporarily reducing the speed limit to 45 mph and restricting trucks to the right lane the following interstates as of 10:30 AM:

- Entire length of 80 in Luzerne County
- Entire length of 81 in Lackawanna, Luzerne and Susquehanna Counties
- Entire length of 84 in Lackawanna, Wayne and Pike Counties
- Entire length of 380 in Lackawanna and Wayne Counties

All truck drivers are reminded that during this speed limit reduction, trucks are to travel in the right lane of the highway.

Although PennDOT has crews treating roadways around the clock, the department's primary goal is to keep roads passable, not completely free of ice and snow. PennDOT will continue to treat roadways throughout the storm until precipitation stops and roads are clear.

In addition, PennDOT reminds motorists to pack an emergency kit for their vehicles. A basic kit should include non-perishable food, water, blanket, small shovel and warm clothes. When preparing an emergency kit, motorists should take into account special needs of passengers such as baby food, pet supplies or medications and pack accordingly.

To help make decisions regarding winter travel, motorists are encouraged to "Know Before You Go" by checking conditions on more than 40,000 roadway miles, including color-coded winter conditions on 2,900 miles, by visitingwww.511PA.com. 511PA, which is free and available 24 hours a day, provides traffic delay warnings, weather forecasts, traffic speed information and access to more than 1,000 traffic cameras. Users can also see plow truck statuses and travel alerts along a specific route using the "Check My Route" tool.

511PA is also available through a smartphone application for iPhone and Android devices, by calling 5-1-1, or by following regional Twitter alerts accessible on the 511PA website.

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