I hereby find that the Department of Transportation’s timely performance of disaster response functions related to the Hurricane Dorian is hindered by the application of procedures imposed by statute, rule, or order.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted by Section 4 of Executive Order 19-189, I hereby suspend the effect of any statute, rule, or order, as needed to allow the establishment of alternate size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies, and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, and as needed to waive by special permit the warning signal requirements in the Utility Accommodation Manual to accommodate public utility companies from other jurisdictions to render assistance in restoring vital services, subject to the limitations expressed in Executive Order 19-189.

I hereby also suspend any statute, rule, or order, including those which effect leasing, printing, purchasing, travel, the conditions of employment and the compensation of employees, to the extent necessary to ensure the timely performance of the Department of Transportation’s disaster response functions as prescribed in the State Comprehensive Management Plan or as directed by the State Coordinating Officer.

This order shall expire on the earlier of the expiration or rescission of Executive Order 19-189 or September 26, 2019, unless extended by me.

Effective this 28th day of August 2019.

Kevin J. Thibault, P.E., Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation

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