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RE: Road Postings for 2017

I am requesting the Town Council under Title 29A M.R.S.A. Section 2395 to post seasonal weight limits of various Town roads. These are roads that cannot support continual heavy truck traffic during the freeze-thaw cycle, gravel roads, roads under construction, and paved surfaces.

My recommendation is that the Town set the maximum allowable GVW (Gross vehicle weight) and load combined at 23,000 pounds. This will take place when the freeze-thaw cycle begins which is typically late in February to early March.

An exact date for posting the roads cannot be determined as the main factor in the freeze-thaw cycle depends on daily tempertures. We are therefore seeking approval now to insure action can be taken when it becomes necessary to post the roads. May 15, 2017 is the latest the postings would stay up, yet could be lifted sooner depending on conditions.

Municipal Maintenance, Emergency Vehicles or special permits issued by the Public Works Director or his designee will be the only exclusions to this request. Windham Police Department will enforce this action.

I have attached a list of roads that will need to be posted.

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