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Bridge Weight Restriction Postings

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has completed a routine structure inspection for the box culvert at Seminary Street and Keith Creek. The inspection report shows that the structure has deteriorated to a point that will require specific weight restrictions to reduce accelerated depreciation. The inspections require the structure to be posted with the following weight restrictions:

- Single Unit Vehicles: 16 tons
- Combinations 3 or 4 Axles: 19 tons
- 5 or More Axles: 20 tons

The Department of Public Works is currently strategizing to replace or repair the structure, and IDOT will continue its routine inspections. The IDOT and Winnebago County oversized and overweight vehicle permitting offices are aware of these postings and will be detouring truck traffic elsewhere to appropriate routes. Signs will be posted at the structure to warn drivers of the restrictions.

Emergency vehicle and truck operators who use this truck route should be aware of the axle loads that their vehicles carry and be knowledgeable of alternate routes before venturing to their destination. Oversize and overweight vehicles shall obtain a permit before travelling on the roadways and work closely with the IDOT and County permitting offices to develop a travel plan that does not include these locations.

Questions regarding the weight restriction postings should be directed to Matthew Vitner, City Engineer, at the Public Works Department.

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