



# COLORADO

## State Patrol

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Colorado Hazardous Materials Carriers

To Whom It May Concern:

The Colorado State Patrol has recently received information related to high volumes of commercial motor vehicle (CMV) traffic entering and exiting a fuel loading facility located at 15000 Smith Rd., Aurora, Colorado. Increased volumes of CMV traffic in this location resulted in CMV traffic backing up near existing rail lines located just north of the intersection of E. Smith Rd. and Chambers Rd.

Recognizing that the safe transportation of fuel is a matter of public safety, pursuant to its authority under 42-20-301, CRS, and the Code of Colorado Regulations, 8 CCR 1507-25, HMR4.15.3, the Colorado State Patrol has designated temporary, alternate hazardous materials routes for carriers operating to and from the fuel loading facility located near that intersection.

Commercial carriers transporting gasoline, ethanol, diesel, and aviation fuels as well as commercial carriers of consumer heating fuels, propane, and natural gas that are required to abide by the state's hazardous materials routing system pursuant to 42-20-301, C.R.S. are permitted to utilize the following temporary routes from the closest, permanently designated hazardous materials route (Interstate 70) to and from the facility:

- Airport Blvd. to Smith Rd. to 15000 Smith Rd. and the reverse.
- Tower Rd. to Smith Rd. to 15000 Smith Rd. and the reverse.

This temporary, alternate route shall be effective immediately and will remain until January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023. All other hazardous materials traffic not specifically addressed above must abide by existing hazardous materials routing laws and regulations. This temporary, alternate routing does not serve to supersede any other provisions of statute or regulations involving the safe transportation of hazardous materials and is only for those vehicles traveling to and from 15000 Smith Rd, Aurora, Colorado as allowed under 42-20-305(1), CRS.

If you have further questions regarding hazardous materials routing in Colorado, please contact the Colorado State Patrol Hazardous Materials Section at 303-273-1900. To find a map of all designated hazardous materials routes in Colorado, please go to <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/csp/hazardous-materials-routing-topics>.

Respectfully,

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