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## Transportation Secretary Jim Gray Issues Order to Help Speed Emergency Crews to Florida, Other States in Path of Subtropical Storm Nicole

Temporarily lifts restrictions on utility and debris removal crews

**FRANKFORT, Ky. (Nov. 8, 2022) –** Kentucky Transportation Secretary Jim Gray issued an official order to help speed emergency crews to Florida and other states in the path of Subtropical Storm Nicole.

Under Secretary Gray's order, drivers of commercial vehicles engaged in restoring power or clearing debris in the affected areas are temporarily exempted from limits on hours of driving and having to stop at weigh stations.

The vehicles also are exempted from permit fees for overweight/over-dimensional loads, and International Registration Plan requirements are waived for vehicles providing relief services.

"Team Kentucky is proud to lend a hand to help critical services reach Florida as soon as possible as residents brace for another threatening weather event," Secretary Gray said.

Secretary Gray's official order will remain in effect through 12:01 a.m. EDT on Dec. 7, 2022. To ensure the safety of the traveling public, contracted drivers must comply with safety requirements and have a copy of the order in their vehicles.

View the order <u>here</u>.

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