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**Transportation Secretary Jim Gray Issues Official Order to Help Speed Relief to
Areas Affected by Violent Storms, Destructive Winds**

Applies to crews working to restore power, clear debris

FRANKFORT, Ky. (March 4, 2023) – Kentucky Transportation Secretary Jim Gray has signed an official order to temporarily suspend certain regulatory restrictions on motor vehicles involved in restoring power and clearing debris in Kentucky and other states wracked by violent storms and destructive winds on Friday.

The Secretary's order complements a state of emergency declared by Gov. Andy Beshear.

"In Kentucky alone, hundreds of thousands of people were left without power and an untold number of trees were blown down, many on electrical lines," Secretary Gray said. "This order is to help avoid any delay for utility crews and other responders."

The order is effective through 12:01 a.m. EDT on March 31, 2023. It temporarily relieves commercial drivers from maximum driving times and weigh station stops while engaged in the emergency response.

To ensure the safety of the traveling public, carriers must comply with safety requirements and have a copy of the order in the truck cab if operating under the authority of the official order.

The official order, No. 113184, can be found [here](#).

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