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## Design Memorandum No. 17-05 Policy Change

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**TO:** All Design, Operations, and District Personnel, and Consultants

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**SUBJECT:** Exceptions to Bridge Load Rating and Posting Policy

**EFFECTIVE:** Immediately

This memo services as an interim policy change to the INDOT *Bridge Inspection Manual*.

The bridge load rating and posting policy contained in the INDOT *Bridge Inspection Manual* is currently under review. The following exceptions to the existing policy have been approved by FHWA as an interim approach until the review is complete and the revisions are published. The following criteria will no longer be considered a requirement for rating or posting a bridge:

- Inventory rating for H20 truck.
- Operating rating for HS25 truck.
- Operating rating for HL93 notional load.

Bridge rating and posting requirements will continue to evaluate AASHTO legal loads, SHVs, HS20 truck, and operating rating for H20 and all Indiana legal loads.

Questions regarding bridge load rating policy should be directed to Jeremy Hunter, INDOT Bridge Design and Load Rating Manager, at [jhunter@indot.in.gov](mailto:jhunter@indot.in.gov).