307.24 Administration of highway programs and activities.

The department's administrator responsible for highway programs and activities shall plan, design, construct, and maintain the state primary highways and shall administer chapters 306 through 306C, chapters 309 through 314, chapters 316 through 318, and chapter 320 and perform other duties as assigned by the director. The department shall:

1. Be organized to provide assistance for urban systems and secondary roads, and to provide other categories of assistance as necessary.

2. Devise and adopt standard plans of highway construction and furnish the same to the counties and provide information to the counties on the maintenance practices and policies of the department.

3. Order the removal or alteration of any lights or light-reflecting devices, whether on public or private property, other than railroad signals or crossing lights, located adjacent to a primary road and within three hundred feet of a railroad crossing at grade, which in any way interfere with the vision of or may be confusing to a person operating a motor vehicle on such primary road in observing the approach of trains or in observing signs erected for the purpose of giving warning of such railroad crossing.

4. Order the removal or alteration of any lights or light-reflecting devices, whether on public or private property, located adjacent to a primary road and within three hundred feet of an intersection with another primary road, which in any way interfere with the vision of or may be confusing to a person operating a motor vehicle on such primary road in observing the approach of other vehicles or signs erected for the purpose of giving warning of such intersection.

5. Construct, reconstruct, improve, and maintain state institutional roads and state park roads which are part of the state park, state institution, and other state land road system as defined in section 306.3, and bridges on such roads, roads located on state fairgrounds as described in chapter 173, and the roads and bridges located on property of community colleges as defined in section 260C.2, upon the request of the state board, department, or commission which has jurisdiction over such roads. This shall be done in such manner as may be agreed upon by the state transportation commission and the state board, department, or commission which has jurisdiction. The commission may contract with any county or municipality for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, or maintenance of such roads and bridges. Any state park road which is an extension of either a primary or secondary highway which both enters and exits from a state park at separate points shall be constructed, reconstructed, improved, and maintained as provided in section 306.4. Funds allocated from the road use tax fund for the purposes of this subsection shall be apportioned in the following manner and amounts:

a. For department of natural resources facility roads, forty-five and one-half percent.

b. For department of human services facility roads, six and one-half percent.

c. For department of corrections facility roads, five and one-half percent.

d. For national guard facility roads, four percent.

e. For state board of regents facility roads, thirty percent.

f. For state fair board facility roads, two percent.

g. For department of administrative services facility roads, one-half percent.

h. For department of education facility roads, six percent.

[C75, 77, 79, 81, §307.24]

86 Acts, ch 1245, §1916; 2009 Acts, ch 97, §8; 2015 Acts, ch 123, §10; 2016 Acts, ch 1073, §93

Referred to in §173.16, 312.2, 312.4, 313.4