

**Highway Maintenance Manual** 

**Bureau of Highway Maintenance** 

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Chapter 06 Winter Maintenance

Section 10 Storm Management Responsibilities

Subject 25 Salting Authority

## 1.0 Salting Authority

Through annual routine maintenance agreements (RMA) the Department currently contracts with service providers for the maintenance of all state, US-numbered highways, and Interstates. There are a few exceptions to this with the creation of surge contracts for rest areas, weigh stations, and park-n-ride lots. Except for the aforementioned exceptions, the service providers have the authority to determine the appropriate response, in compliance with the Highway Maintenance Manual (HMM) Guidelines, for winter events. Requests by law enforcement agencies to service providers that plowing, or the application of snow and ice control agents be conducted are advisory in nature. The service providers have the authority to exercise discretion related to their response to such requests.

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