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NDOT Bridge Division – Bridge Inspection Program

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Subject: Load Rating Review Request within Inspection Reports

To: Nebraska Public Bridge Owners and Inspectors

Accurate and current load ratings for in-service bridges are necessary to ensure bridges can carry legal loads or are appropriately posted if weight restrictions are required.

NDOT has an automated process to indicate the need for a load rating review of bridges based on inspector reported condition code changes that meet the criteria in Section 5.8 of the BIP manual. NDOT will notify the owner within 10 working days if changes to condition require an updated load rating review.

Should other circumstances, in the judgement of the inspector, warrant an assessment by a load rating engineer, inspectors should follow the steps below.

1. Select the Load Rating Review Recommended box in BrM > Inspection > Condition > NDOT Condition as shown in the screenshot below.

Inspection > Condition > NDOT Condition

Posting Sign

NDOT Truck Type 3 - Posting Value:	11 ton	Posted Sign Value (203A):	<input type="text" value="34"/> ton
NDOT Truck Type 3S2 - Posting Value:	12 ton	Posted Sign Value (203B):	<input type="text"/> ton
NDOT Truck Type 3-3 - Posting Value:	13 ton	Posted Sign Value (203C):	<input type="text"/> ton

Open/Posted/Closed (041): **NDOT Load Rating Review Recommended:**

2. Provide a thorough note explaining why the Load Rating review is requested in the BrM > Inspection > Condition > NBI/Elem Condition > Inspection Notes.

Attachments:

No attachments.

This guidance will also be included within the BrM FAQ section.

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