



# News from the Ohio Turnpike

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## **\*\*MEDIA ALERT II\*\***

### **Limited Travel Ban in effect from noon until 5:00 p.m. today due to high winds**

*Certain high-profile and long-combination commercial vehicles were expanded from Indiana to Exit 161*

**BEREA** (March 8, 2017) – The Ohio Turnpike has extended the length of its Travel Ban from Westgate (the Indiana Border) to Exit 161 (I-71/SR 42-Cleveland/Strongsville) due to expected high winds.

The limited ban will begin at noon today through 5:00 p.m. The Travel Ban may be extended or reduced as conditions warrant. The Ohio Turnpike's Engineering Department is closely monitoring the situation.

#### **The Ohio Turnpike remains open to most traffic. Only certain types of vehicles are restricted.**

When a Travel Ban is placed into effect, the following types of vehicles are banned from traveling the Ohio Turnpike until the Travel Ban is canceled:

- All triple-trailer combination commercial vehicles;
- Box-type double-trailer combination commercial vehicles in excess of ninety (90) feet in length.
- Mobile home/Office trailers.
- Boat and horse trailers towed by passenger vehicles or pickup trucks.
- High-profile campers and enclosed trailers, which are defined as trailers designed for a person of average height to stand in.

Not included in the Travel Ban are passenger automobiles, self-propelled motor homes, low-profile trailers, fold-down camper trailers, pick-up trucks with slide-on camper units, vehicles towing fifth-wheel type trailers, or any other type of trailers towed by passenger vehicles or pickup trucks. Also excluded from the Travel Ban are commercial trucks towing single flatbed or box-type trailers, flatbed double-trailer combinations in excess of ninety (90) feet and any double-trailer combination commercial vehicles less than ninety (90) feet.

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