SNOW AND ICE SEASON MEDIA PROCEDURES

ODOT District 2’s public information office is committed to providing the media with the most timely and accurate information concerning snow and ice removal in Fulton, Henry, Lucas, Ottawa, Sandusky, Seneca, Williams, and Wood counties. Throughout the winter months, the public information office will conduct or coordinate live interviews, provide updates on the status of snow removal efforts, assist in the production of any other snow removal or any other ODOT public services.

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ODO MEDIA CONTACT

Inquiries should be directed to the public information officer:

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Public Information Officer
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Ride-alongs: At District 2 public information office’s discretion we can offer media the opportunity to ride along with our snow plow drivers. However, we will need advance notice and a release (included here) is required.
This Release is executed on ____________________________, ___________ by ____________________________

City of ____________________ County of __________________________ State of Ohio.

In consideration for being permitted to ride in/on an ODOT vehicle, (including but not limited to snow plows, brine tankers, and snow removal vehicles) for the purpose of observing the activities associated with the removal of snow conducted by the Ohio Department of Transportation, (hereafter referred to collectively as the “Activity”) Releasor, being of lawful age, agrees that the State of Ohio and the Ohio Department of Transportation, its officials, employees, and/or agents (hereafter referred to collectively as the “State”) shall not be liable for, and Releasor agrees to indemnify and hold the State harmless against any loss, claim, cause of action, damages, liability (including, without limitation, counsel fees to the extent permitted by law) for any loss or damage to property or injury or death of any person resulting from or arising out of the Activity.

In no event and for no purpose shall Releasor be considered an employee of the State of Ohio, Ohio Department of Transportation, during any or all parts of the Activity. Releasor specifically waives any claims to Worker’s Compensation benefits.

Releasor agrees that this Release, waiver, and indemnity agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Ohio and that if any portion of the agreement is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continued in full legal force and effect.

Releasor further agrees that the terms of this Release, waiver, and indemnity agreement bind him and his assigns, next of kin, legatees and devisees, executors, administrators, agents, servants, and successors in interest. This Release is not to be constructed as an admission of liability on the part of the State as or precedent for action taken or to be taken against the State or any individuals.

Releasor further states that he has carefully read the above Release and knows the contents of the Release and signs this Release as his own free act.

This Release contains the entire agreement between the parties to this agreement and the terms of this Release are contractual and not a mere recital.

Dated: ___________________________________________

Releasor: _________________________________________