

GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY

STATE OF ARIZONA

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EXECUTIVE ORDER

Executive Order 2020-31

Expanding Food Options For Commercial Vehicle Drivers

WHEREAS, a Public Health State of Emergency was declared in Arizona on March 11, 2020 to prepare for and respond to the outbreak of the 2019 novel coronavirus (COVID-19); and

WHEREAS, the President of the United States declared a national emergency on March 13, 2020 due to both the health and economic implications of the COVID-19 virus; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, Executive Order 2020-09 was issued requiring restaurants in Arizona counties with confirmed COVID-19 cases to provide dine-out option only and not all drive-thru options are accessible to commercial vehicles; and

WHEREAS, commercial vehicle drivers are essential for responding to the COVID-19 emergency by providing critical supplies and facilitating commerce across Arizona and the United States; and

WHEREAS, on April 3, 2020 the United States Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a Notice of Enforcement Discretion 05-20, which suspended enforcement measures for States that choose to permit commercial food trucks to operate and sell food in designated federally funded Interstate Highway rest areas; and

WHEREAS, providing additional dining options for commercial vehicle drivers during the emergency would improve the comfort, wellbeing, and efficiency of commercial vehicle drivers.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this state, specifically A.R.S. § 26-303, hereby order as follows:

1. The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) shall issue no-fee permits to mobile food vendors otherwise licensed pursuant to A.R.S. § 36-136(I)(4) to provide take-away food service at state rest areas.
2. ADOT shall notify vendors of the specific locations within each rest area where permitted and scheduled mobile food vendors may operate and during what times.

