



# COCHISE COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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## MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** July 29, 2014  
**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**THRU:** Karen Riggs, P.E., County Engineer  
**FROM:** Terry Couchenour, Right-of-way/GIS  
**SUBJECT:** **15 Ton Weight Restriction for Gleeson Road**

**Recommendation:** This department recommends adoption of the accompanying resolution authorizing a 15 ton weight restriction for Gleeson Road, from the Tombstone City limits, east approximately 23 miles to Highway 191.

**Background (Brief):** Gleeson Road, from Tombstone running east approximately 23 miles to Highway 191 north of Elfrida, is one of only two central routes connecting these communities. Over several years Gleeson Road was improved from a native surface to a chip-sealed surface via a combination of contracted and in-house efforts.

Staff is concerned that heavy traffic will cause extensive damage to the roadway surface and shoulders. In the past, similar traffic corridors such as Charleston Road were damaged by excessive weight vehicles, creating hazards for the traveling public and prompting continual repair and maintenance. Subsequently the Board established weight restrictions to protect the traveling public, preserve the public's investment and direct excessive weight vehicles to other corridors. Staff recommends that the Board similarly protect Gleeson Road.

**Fiscal Impact & Funding Sources:** N/A

**Next Steps/Action Items/Follow-up:** Upon adoption and recording of the resolution the Highway and Floodplain Division will install signage to adequately warn road users of the weight restriction. No further Board action is necessary.

**Impact of Not Approving:** If the resolution is not approved excessive weight vehicles will damage Gleeson Road creating hazards to the traveling public and prompting additional maintenance.