

Media Release

HARVEST MASS MANAGEMENT SCHEME (HMMS) – NEW ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2018/19 HARVEST

The Heavy Vehicles Section of Main Roads WA (MRWA) has revised its access conditions for the 2018/19 harvest to allow for a ‘first and last’ mile access on roads between a paddock and the nearest road approved for RAV network access.

During the harvest season from 1 October 2018 to 28 February 2019, a Restricted Access Vehicle (RAV) may be driven on roads not approved on a RAV network subject to a number of conditions.

A farmer or transport operator should submit to MRWA a HMMS Road List form identifying the intended RAV combination and a list of roads to be used to move grain from a paddock to a road already on the RAV network.

MRWA will conduct a desktop assessment of the HMMS Road List and the route will be endorsed with operating conditions if it is considered to be safe for all users.

The approval should be carried by the farmer or transport operator in the heavy vehicle and produced at the request of MRWA, WA Police or the grain handler. The endorsed HMMS Road List may be shared by other transport operators.

David Lynch, Manager Works and Services suggests that ‘If transport operators or farmers have any questions about the HMMS scheme and roads they wish to use to transport grain to CBH, they contact the MR Heavy Vehicle Services by telephone at the Heavy Vehicle Helpdesk on 138 486.’

Alternatively the Main Roads Heavy Vehicle page can be accessed at www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/UsingRoads/HVS/Pages/harvestmassmanagementscheme.aspx