

MoDOT Minute – Feb. 15, 2010

Hi. This is Sally Oxenhandler with your MoDOT Minute.

Gov. Jay Nixon thanked MoDOT and other state agencies for their response to the historic winter storm that hit Missouri two weeks ago. The governor said the teamwork made a tremendous difference in returning things to normal in the state. The storm dumped more than two feet of snow in some areas and caused MoDOT to close Interstate 70 between St. Louis and Kansas City for the first time in history. Snowplow drivers logged more than 1.1 million miles and workers put in more than 90,000 hours fighting the record storm.

James Berglund, a graduate student at Missouri State University in Springfield, is the recipient of a \$10,000 MoDOT fellowship. The donation stems from an award MoDOT received from the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials for the diverging diamond interchange at Route 13 and Interstate 44 in Springfield. Berglund plans to use the fellowship to perform research on bedrock stability, an important component in highway construction.

That's been your MoDOT Minute. Remember to check back every week for new information.