

Recently the operations division of DPI had a team of 10 employees that competed in the state snow plow roadeo. They competed against about 120 drivers from all over the state. The event was held in Green Bay. Billy Hutterer took first place and Scott Yindra took third place. They earned a plaque for the city to display at our operations shop and they both received individual plaques, Billy also received a fully paid trip to Colorado to compete in the National snow plow roadeo against drivers from all over the nation. It's pretty awesome that he may, with city approval, represent Manitowoc at this national event!

The competition consisted of a snow and ice control vehicle pre-trip inspection. There were operational and safety discrepancies on the vehicle and operators had 4 minutes to locate all of the issues. They then had to complete a driving course that consisted of a simulated plow route. There were multiple curves to negotiate, a round-a-bout, a slalom course, and a dead-end backup station. The competition consisted of a total of 1000 points. For each mistake that was made there were points deducted. Billy ended with a score of 805 total points which was the best score out of 120 operators.

I would like to get approval for Billy to go to Colorado for the National snow plow roadeo. As the 1st place winner he received a \$1,200.00 stipend to attend the Roadeo and represent Wisconsin, along with the second place winner. The roadeo is a one day event, but the conference is 3 days, so he would likely be gone for 2-3 days. I would like to request 3 days of paid time for him to attend, and also for the city to pay the \$1,200.00 up front. After the roadeo I would submit receipts to APWA Wisconsin Chapter for reimbursement.

Below is a link to the National roadeo web site for your info.

<https://www.westernsnowandice.com/>