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Front Suspension Noise, 1995/96 Subaru Legacy

If you get a customer complaint of a squeaking noise in the front suspension during extremely cold weather (0°F or lower), the noise may be caused by the front stabilizer bar bushings.

In extremely cold weather, the material the bushings are made from gets hard and rubs against the stabilizer bar. You can often see the wear marks in the paint when removing the brackets that hold the bushings.

The noise can be eliminated, in most cases, by applying Dow Corning Silicone grease #111 to the bushing and to the area of the stabilizer bar where the bushings mount. This grease has an operating range of -40 to 400 degrees F. It is also waterproof and will not wash away with water.