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COSBPW - TRANSPORTATION DIVISION - TRAFFIC SECTION



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#### **Presentation Overview**

- Establishing School Zone Speed Limits
  - Hollister Elementary School
  - May Grisham Elementary School
  - Next Phase
- > Reevaluation of Speed Limits
  - Alston Road
  - Marina Drive
  - San Antonio Creek Road
- Recommendations



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# Establishing School Zone Speed Limits

- State Assembly Bill No. 321
  - Allows a local authority to establish 15 mph speed limits within a school zone
- > Criteria
  - Contiguous to school grounds
  - Must qualify as a Residence District
  - Existing posted speed of 30 mph or slower
  - Zone extends 500 feet beyond school boundary
- Implementation
  - Initially, two schools were found that meet the criteria
  - No State Funding Provided





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# **Establishing School Zone Speed Limits**

## **Hollister Elementary School**



Anita Lane: Set 15 mph from 355 feet west of San Marcos Road to Inwood Drive



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# **Establishing School Zone Speed Limits**

#### **May Grisham Elementary School**



Pinal Avenue: Set 15 mph from 100 feet west of Gray Street to Oak Street



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# **Establishing School Zone Speed Limits**

#### **Next Phase**

The Department of Public Works will continue to evaluate additional school zone locations for application of AB 321 with the goal of being back to your Board with additional school zones by the end of April 2008



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## Reevaluation of Speed Limits

#### **Speed Limits**

- State Law Sets Maximum Speed Limits
- Local Agencies can reduce the speed limit by Engineering and Traffic Survey (ETS)
- ETS's are valid for up to 10 years

#### **Process**

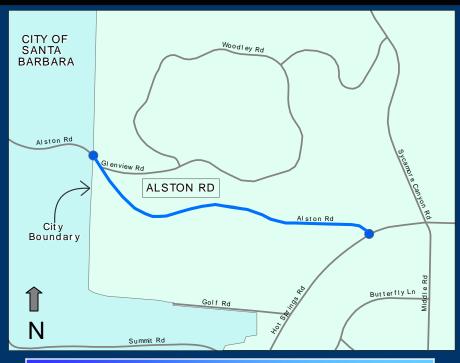
- ETS is performed
- ETS results presented the County Traffic Engineering Committee (TEC)
- TEC recommendations presented to the Board of Supervisors
- Board amends County Code by ordinance to designate speed limit zone(s)



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# Reevaluation of Speed Limits



| Alston Road                       |                  |          |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------|--|
| From                              | SB City Limits   |          |  |
| То                                | Hot Springs Road |          |  |
| 85 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Speed |                  | 36.5 MPH |  |
| Base Speed                        |                  | 35 MPH   |  |
| Recommended Speed Limit           |                  | 35 MPH   |  |



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# Reevaluation of Speed Limits



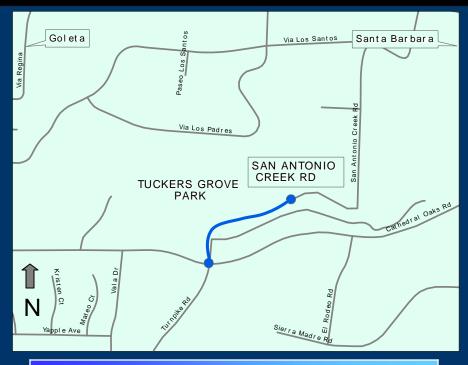
| Marina Drive                      |             |          |  |  |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|----------|--|--|
| From                              | Roble Drive |          |  |  |
| То                                | Cliff Drive |          |  |  |
| 85 <sup>th</sup> Percentile Speed |             | 43.5 MPH |  |  |
| Base Speed                        |             | 45 MPH   |  |  |
| Recommended Speed Limit           |             | 40 MPH   |  |  |



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# Reevaluation of Speed Limits



| San Antonio Creek Road  |                                     |        |  |  |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|--|--|
| From                    | Cathedral Oaks Road                 |        |  |  |
| То                      | 1,056 Ft North of Cathedral Oaks Rd |        |  |  |
| Existing Speed Limit    |                                     | 20 MPH |  |  |
| Recommended Speed Limit |                                     | None   |  |  |

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Recommendations

The County of Santa Barbara Department of Public Works recommends that your Board adopt an ordinance amending Chapter 23 of the Santa Barbara County Code thereby establishing the following Speed Limit Zones:

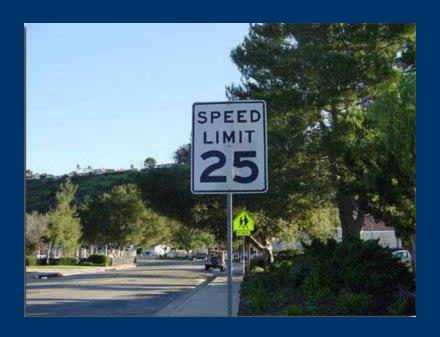
| School Zones           |           |  |
|------------------------|-----------|--|
| Anita Lane             | 15 MPH    |  |
| Pinal Avenue           | 15 MPH    |  |
| Speed Zones            |           |  |
| Alston Road            | 35 MPH    |  |
| Marina Drive           | 40 MPH    |  |
| San Antonio Creek Road | Eliminate |  |



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# Thank You!



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