

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COLUMBIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION #2022-17

**IN THE MATTER OF THE MAXIMUM LAWFUL SPEED LIMIT FOR SOUTH TOUCHET ROAD
(ROAD NO. 1325-08)**

WHEREAS, RCW 46.61.400 specifies a maximum lawful speed of fifty (50) miles per hour on County Roads, and;

WHEREAS, RCW 46.61.415 authorizes the Board of County Commissioners, based upon an engineering investigation, to increase or decrease the maximum lawful speed limit to a reasonable and safe limit matching the conditions found to exist upon the county road or part of the county road; and,

WHEREAS, the County Engineer has performed such an investigation for the first mile of South Touchet Road which indicates that the average intersection spacing is $\frac{1}{8}$ of a mile and the average driveway spacing is less than 300 feet. Although the horizontal and vertical geometry and clear zone in the first mile of the South Touchet Road are designed for fifty (50) miles per hour, it is the County Engineer's opinion that the spacing of the intersections and driveways on the South Touchet Road justifies setting the maximum lawful speed limit at thirty-five (35) miles per hour on South Touchet Road (Road No. 1325-08) from milepost 0.00 to milepost 1.221 Harting Grade, forty (40) miles per hour from milepost 1.221 Harting Grade south to the end of the asphalt pavement milepost 5.054 and twenty-five (25) miles per hour from milepost 5.054 to the end of the county road.

Thirty-five (35) miles per hour speed limit signs will be placed on the South Touchet Road between milepost 0.00 and milepost 1.221 Harting Grade intersection. Forty (40) miles per hour speed limit signs will be placed on the South Touchet Road from the Harting Grade milepost 1.221 intersection south to the end of the pavement and twenty-five (25) miles per hour from milepost 5.054 to the end of the county road.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the maximum lawful speed limit on the South Touchet Road No. 1325-08 be set at and signed for thirty-five (35) mph from milepost 0.00 to milepost 1.221 Harting Grade, (40) miles per hour from milepost 1.221 Harting Grade south to the end of the asphalt pavement milepost 5.054 and twenty-five (25) miles per hour from milepost 5.54 to the end of the county road.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 21st day of June, 2022.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
COLUMBIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Marty Hall, Chairman

Charles L. Amerein, Commissioner

Ryan R. Rundell, Commissioner

Attest: _____
Virginia Schmidt
Clerk of the Board