

**COUNTY OF SONOMA
AGENDA ITEM
SUMMARY REPORT**

Clerk of the Board Use Only
 Meeting Date _____ Held Until _____
 Agenda Item No: _____ Agenda Item No: _____

Department: Transportation and Public Works

[] **4/5 Vote Required**

Contact:
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Board Date:
06/02/09

Deadline for Board Action:

Agenda Short Title:

King Road (#58020)

Requested Board Action:

Approve Ordinance establishing a prima facie 35-mile-per-hour speed limit on King Road from Bodega Avenue to Pepper Road (Second Supervisorial District).

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FINANCIAL IMPACT

EXPENDITURES

ADD'L FUNDS REQUIRING BOARD APPROVAL

Estimated Cost \$ 400.00

Contingencies \$
(Fund Name:)

Amount Budgeted \$ 400.00
(035071-7200)

Unanticipated Revenue \$
(Source:)

Other Avail. Approp \$
(Explain below)

Other Transfer(s) \$ _____
\$

Additional Requested \$ -0-

Add'l Funds Requested:

Explanation (if required):

Prior Board Action(s): 06-27-89: Ordinance No. 4020 established a 40 mph speed limit from Bodega Avenue to Pepper Road (Post Miles 10.00 to 11.55).

Alternatives - Results of Non-Approval: Establish a different speed zone or leave the existing speed zone in effect.

Background:

A local resident contacted Department staff to request a lower speed limit on King Road, a rural 2-lane road which is located west of Petaluma. The currently posted 40 mph speed zone on King Road from Bodega Avenue to Pepper Road was established by the Board of Supervisors in 1989.

A radar speed study was conducted and the 85th percentile was 38 miles per hour. The pace range was 29-38 mph, with 66% of the vehicles moving in the pace range. The pace is the 10 mph range of speeds containing the largest number of observations.

The 35-mile-per-hour speed zone is the 5-mile-per-hour increment immediately below the 85th percentile. As such, it is a reasonable and appropriate speed over this portion of the roadway.

It is recommended that a 35-mile-per-hour speed limit be established on King Road from Bodega Avenue to Pepper Road.

The California Highway Patrol has concurred with the proposed 35-mile-per-hour speed limit on King Road.

The estimated cost of installing the required signs for this speed zone is \$400.00 and the funds are available in the FY 08-09 Road – Traffic Maintenance Budget (035071-7200).

Recommendation:

Approve Ordinance establishing a prima facie 35-mile-per-hour speed limit on King Road from Bodega Avenue to Pepper Road (Second Supervisorial District).

Attachments: Location Map; CHP Concurrence Letter; Engineering & Traffic Survey; Ordinance

On File With Clerk: None

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Board Action (If other than "Requested")

Vote: