

SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SOUTH DAKOTA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Pursuant to the authority vested in the South Dakota Transportation Commission by SDCL 1-26, the commission will hold a public hearing in the Commission Room of the Becker Hansen Building at 700 East Broadway Avenue in Pierre, South Dakota, on Thursday, **August 24, 2017**, at 9:00 a.m. (Central Time) to consider the proposed changes to the following rules:

70:01:02:01 – A limited speed zone on State Trunk Highway 115 in and around Dell Rapids is being changed and extended following re-design and re-construction of the highway. Under the proposed rule, the speed limit is being reduced from 65 miles per hour (“mph”) to 55 mph on a 1.08 mile segment of State Trunk Highway 115 immediately southeast of the existing limited speed zone. A 35 mph speed zone is proposed for a 1.44 mile segment of State Trunk Highway 115 in Dell Rapids and then a 50 mph speed zone is proposed for a 0.2 mile segment immediately to the west of this 35 mph zone. These changes are supported by speed studies that were conducted during the re-design of the highway and will enhance the safety and function of the highway.

70:01:02:06 – The speed limits are being changed on U.S. Highway 14 east of the Interstate Highway 29 interchange in Brookings. A 35 mph speed zone will be extended an additional 0.42 mile and then the speed limit will transition to 50 mph for 0.20 mile. These speed limit adjustments are better suited to the roadway geometrics resulting from highway reconstruction.

70:01:02:44 – A 40 mph speed zone is being replaced with a 55 mph speed zone on U.S. Highway 18 over Interstate Highway 29 at Exit 62. This change is supported by the results of a speed study, which indicate an increased speed limit is consistent with the safe and efficient function of the highway.

70:01:02:67 – The speed limits are being reduced on U.S. Highway 18 in and around Mission and the Antelope Community in Todd County. A 35 mph speed zone will be extended an additional 0.58 mile to the east of Mission and a 45 mph speed zone will be extended to the east of the Antelope Community. The reduced speeds will enhance pedestrian and traffic safety following reconstruction of U.S. Highway 18.

At the hearing, interested persons will be given reasonable opportunity to submit amendments, data, opinions, and arguments, either orally or in writing, or both. Interested persons may mail amendments, data, opinions, and arguments to the South Dakota Department of Transportation, 700 East Broadway Avenue, Pierre, South Dakota 57501-2586 or transmit the information by e-mail to Darin.Bergquist@state.sd.us. Information submitted by mail or e-mail must reach the Department of Transportation on or before **August 18, 2017**, to be considered.

After the hearing, the commission will consider all written and oral comments it receives on the proposed rules. The commission may modify or amend a proposed rule at that time to include or exclude matters that are described in this notice.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Any individuals with disabilities who will require a reasonable

accommodation in order to participate in the hearing should submit a request to the department's ADA Coordinator at 605-773-3540 or 1-800-877-1113 (Telecommunication Device for the Deaf).

A copy of the proposed rules may be obtained without charge from:

Secretary of Transportation
Becker-Hansen Building
700 East Broadway Avenue
Pierre, South Dakota 57501-2586

The proposed rules are also posted on the following website: <http://open.sd.gov>

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