

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 South Dakota Codified Law chapter 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, **March 29, 2018**, at 9:00 a.m. (Central Time) to consider proposed changes to the following rules:

Chapter 70:01:02 – Speed Limits. Changes are being made to the speed limit rules for U.S. Highway 16 in Pennington County, U.S. Highway 385 in Lawrence County, State Trunk Highway 50 in Bon Homme County, State Trunk Highway 28 in Hamlin County, and State Trunk Highway 20 in Perkins County. The purpose and effect of these changes is to revise the speed limits set out in the rules to match the speed limit signs in place along these highways. **70:01:02:38 – Hyde County speed zone.** The 30 miles per hour (mph) limited speed zone on State Trunk Highway 47 in Highmore is being extended north an additional 0.1 mile to match the current signing locations. Then a 35 mph speed zone will extend north for 0.3 mile, rather than the 40 mph speed zone currently in place. A 45 mph speed zone will then extend north for 0.2 mile in place of the current 65 mph zone. The proposed speed zones will enhance safety and are based on an analysis of a speed zone study and consideration of development and turning movements. **70:01:02:48 – Marshall County speed zone.** A 55 mph limited speed zone is proposed for State Trunk Highway 10 on the west side of Britton for a distance of 0.2 mile. This change is being made to establish a transition speed zone between a 65 mph speed zone and a 45 mph speed zone. This change will enhance safety and is consistent with the typical length of a transition speed zone. **70:01:02:49 – Meade County.** This rule will set a 35 mph speed zone for the Interstate Highway 90 frontage road (Captain Soelzer Street) on the west side of Sturgis Road beginning at Peaceful Pines Road and proceeding north for 0.40 mile. Then a 40 mph speed zone will be established for an additional distance of 0.56 mile to the north. This change will enhance traffic efficiency by making the speed zones consistent with free flow speeds of traffic. **70:01:02:51 – Miner County speed zone.** On State Trunk Highway 34, a 45 mph limited speed zone is being replaced with a 50 mph speed zone beginning 0.5 mile west of Main Street in Howard then east for 0.2 mile. Then heading east for 0.8 mile the speed limit on State Trunk Highway 34 will reduce to 30 mph, and then the speed limit will increase to 50 mph for 0.53 mile. The proposed speed zones will enhance safety and are based on an analysis of spot speed zone studies, crash history, turning movements, motorist behaviors, and input from city officials, local citizens and law enforcement. **70:01:02:55 – Roberts County.** On State Trunk Highway 123 south of Wilmot, a 25 mph limited speed zone is being replaced with a 45 mph speed zone that will transition to a 55 mph speed zone. These changes will enhance safety and efficiency by creating a transition speed zone between the existing 25 mph zone and the 55 mph zone.

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 **March 25, 2018**, 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
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The proposed rules are also posted on the following website: <http://open.sd.gov>

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