

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
OF LEWIS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

Notice of Public Hearing for a Traffic Ordinance  
establishing a school speed zone and fixing the  
maximum speed at which vehicles may operate  
over certain roads in Lewis County, Washington:  
defining offenses, and providing penalties for the  
violation thereof.

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Resolution No. 16-224

**WHEREAS**, RCW 46.61.415 authorizes local authorities to determine the maximum speed permitted on roadways based on an engineering and traffic investigation; and

**WHEREAS**, RCW 46.61.440(2), allows a county to create a school speed zone on a roadway bordering a marked school or playground; and

**WHEREAS**, WAC 468-95-330, states no school or playground speed zone may extend less than 300 feet from a marked school or playground crosswalk, but may extend by traffic regulation beyond 300 feet based on a traffic and engineering investigation; and

**WHEREAS**, an engineering and traffic investigation that recommends a school zone speed limit of 20 mph on the following roads has been prepared:

- 91023 – Borst Avenue, between the intersections of Eshom Road and Cowlitz Road.
  - 13022 – Eshom Road, between the intersections of Borst Avenue and Mt Vista Road.
  - 91016 – Eshom Road, between the intersections of Borst Avenue and Mayberry Road.
  - 13017 – Mt Vista Road, between the intersections of Eshom Road and Cowlitz Road;
- and

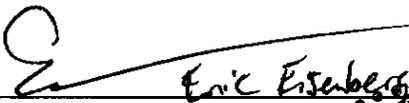
**WHEREAS**, the engineering and traffic investigations, all related materials, and a proposed Traffic Ordinance have been reviewed by the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) and found appropriate for further proceedings.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, at or after the hour of 10:00 AM, in the Commissioners Hearing Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Historic Courthouse in Chehalis, Washington has been fixed by the BOCC as the time and place for the hearing on the proposed Traffic Ordinance, when and where all persons may appear and be heard, either for or against adoption of the proposed Traffic Ordinance; and that the Clerk of the Board is hereby instructed to proceed with all necessary notifications, posting and publication.

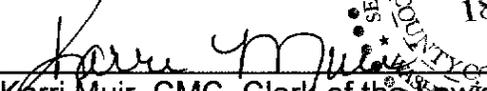
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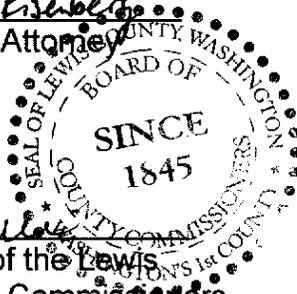
**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

Jonathan L. Meyer, Prosecuting Attorney

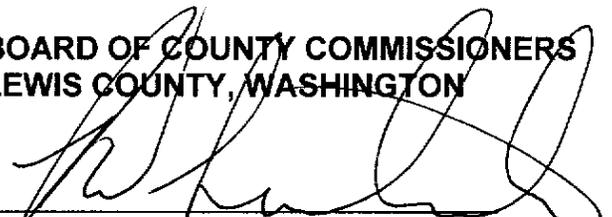
  
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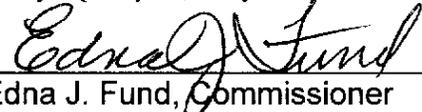
  
Karri Muir, CMC, Clerk of the Lewis  
County Board of County Commissioners



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## NOTICE OF HEARING

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC), Lewis County, Washington, proposes establishing a school speed zone of twenty (20) miles per hour over the following county roads, or portions of county roads in Lewis County:

91023 – Borst Avenue, between the intersections of Eshom Road and Cowlitz Road.

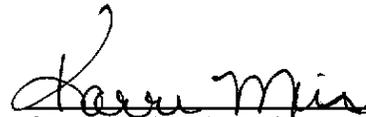
13022 – Eshom Road, between the intersections of Borst Avenue and Mt Vista Road.

91016 – Eshom Road, between the intersections of Borst Avenue and Mayberry Road.

13017 – Mt Vista Road, between the intersections of Eshom Road and Cowlitz Road.

An Engineer's Report has been prepared and all related materials have been reviewed by the BOCC and found appropriate for further proceedings. A hearing on establishing school speed zones on certain roads in Lewis County will be held on Monday, September 12, 2016, at or after 10:00 a.m. at the Lewis County Courthouse, County Commissioners Hearing Room, 351 NW North Street, Chehalis, Washington, at which time and place any person may appear to be heard, either for or against the adoption of the proposed traffic ordinance. A copy of proposed Ordinance #220 is available for inspection with the Clerk of the Board on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Historic Courthouse in Chehalis, WA.

DATED August 29, 2016



Clerk of the Board  
of County Commissioners

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## LEWIS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS ENGINEERING AND TRAFFIC INVESTIGATION REPORT

**IN THE MATTER OF:** Establishment of a school speed zone on all roads adjacent to Centralia High School property.

**REASON FOR INVESTIGATION:** The safety of school students, pedestrians, and the travelling public that walk along and drive the four county roads that are adjacent to Centralia High School property.

**COUNTY ROAD:** 91023 – Borst Avenue  
13022 – Eshom Road  
91016 – Eshom Road  
13017 – Mt Vista Road

**TO:** Erik Martin & Tim Fife

### **FINDINGS:**

- a.) **Current Speed Limit :** Borst Ave-30 mph, Eshom Rd-25 mph, and Mt Vista Rd-25 mph.
- b.) **Physical Features:** These roads are all urban county roads with a 22' to 23' width and a Bituminous Surface Treatment surfacing. In front of the high school, Eshom Road has a 4' shoulder with a Bituminous Surface Treatment on one side and a 6' Asphalt shoulder on the other side. Borst Ave has 4' gravel shoulders on both sides. Mt Vista Road and the remainder of Eshom Road have no shoulders. None of the roads have bike or pedestrian facilities.
- c.) **Accidents/Characteristics:** Traffic accidents for the years 2013 through 2015 include a property damage (pd) on Mt Vista Road, two pd and one injury (inj) accident on Eshom Road, and one pd and one inj accident on Borst Ave. These roads all have a high volume of pedestrian and vehicle traffic that travel to and from the high school and middle school. The bulk of the pedestrian and vehicle traffic is high school students and occurs concurrently before school starts and after dismissal. School buses also travel these same roads during the same time periods as the students. The Average Daily Traffic (ADT) for these roads are as follows:

Borst Avenue, ADT = 2,014 vehicles  
Eshom Road, ADT = 1,394 vehicles  
Mt Vista Road, ADT = 680 vehicles



**Remarks/Recommendations:** Establishing a school speed zone on all roads in the vicinity of Centralia High School property as follows:

- 91023 – Borst Avenue, between the intersections of Eshom Road and Cowlitz Road.
- 13022 – Eshom Road, between the intersections of Borst Avenue and Mt Vista Road.
- 91016 – Eshom Road, between the intersections of Borst Avenue and Mayberry Road.
- 13017 – Mt Vista Road, between the intersections of Eshom Road and Cowlitz Road.

Based on this Engineering and Traffic Investigation Report and Pursuant to RCW 46.61.440(2), which specifies the speed limit in an established school zone shall be 20 mph, and WAC 468-96-330 which states a school zone may extend by traffic regulation beyond 300 feet based on a traffic and engineering investigation, it is my recommendation that we move forward with an Ordinance establishing the school zone speed limit of 20 mph on the roads as described above.

d.) **Attachments:** vicinity map

  
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Erik P. Martin P.E. Date  
Director/County Engineer/Traffic Engineer



*Vicinity Map*  
**Borst Ave., Eshom Road, & Mt Vista Road**  
**School Zone**