

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-1223C

WHEREAS, Idaho Code Section 31-805 provides the Board of County Commissioners the power and duty to lay out, maintain, control and manage public roads; and

WHEREAS, Teton County has no established highway districts, so the Board of County Commissioners retains its authority over all public roads in the county; and

WHEREAS, Ski Hill Road speed in the City of Driggs as it approaches City limits is 35 mph, and the posted speed limit on Ski Hill Road currently increases to 45 mph in Teton County at Cemetery Road to Stateline Road.

WHEREAS, Idaho Code Section 49-207 (2) provides a framework to assist county authorities in determining when a speed limit change is necessary on a given road, and what kind of change is needed to determine a responsible and safe maximum speed limit; and

WHEREAS, the framework requires both an engineering or traffic investigation which the Teton County Public Works Department has performed; and

WHEREAS, the engineering and traffic investigation concluded the sight distance of approaches, the number of intersections, increase use of the adjacent bike path, numerous private driveways, recorded vehicle/wildlife collisions, wildlife congregates and crosses the road, vehicle accidents, heavy traffic flow early and late in the day, icy and dangerous road conditions in the winter, were all factored in the engineering and traffic investigation in maintaining a safe road for the public while keeping free flow of traffic; and

WHEREAS, Idaho Code Section 49-654 allows for a speed limit reduction when hazards or conditions exist that require a lower speed limit; and

WHEREAS, based on the Teton County Public Works Department engineering and traffic investigation findings that the current posted speed of 45 mph is greater than is reasonable and safe, and as a result request the posted limit be reduced to 35 mph.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Teton County Board of County Commissioners hereby finds it in the best interest of the citizens of Teton County to decrease the speed limit on the section of Ski Hill Road from the City of Driggs city limits easterly to Stateline Road from 45mph to 35 mph.

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TETON COUNTY, IDAHO SPEED LIMIT CHANGE ON SKI HILL ROAD

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 23 day of December, 2024.

Board of Teton County Board of County Commissioners

Cindy Riegel Chair,

Bob Heneage,

Michael Whitfield,

ATTEST:

Kim Keeley, County Clerk