



Speed Zone Request

To request a Speed Zone Investigation by ODOT personnel, City or County Engineering Department staff should complete this form and send it - with a map of the roadway - to:

State Traffic Engineer
Oregon Department of Transportation
4040 Fairview Industrial Drive SE MS#5
Salem, OR 97302-1142

1. AGENCY NAME City of Oregon City		2. DATE 5-6-13	
3. CONTACT NAME AND TITLE J. Erik Wahrgren P.E., Public Works Project Engineer		4. TELEPHONE NUMBER 503-496-1510	
5. E-MAIL ADDRESS ewahrgren@orcify.org		6. FAX NUMBER 503-657-7892	
7. ADDRESS (POSTAL) 625 Center Street, P.O. Box 3040, Oregon City, OR 97045			
8. NAME OF ROADWAY See exhibit (Washington Street, Clackamas River Drive)			
9. FROM See exhibit (17th and Washington Streets)		10. TO See exhibit (Clackamas River Dr. and end of City limits)	
11. REQUESTED SPEED - MPH See exhibit (25 and 35)	12. EXISTING POSTED SPEED - MPH See exhibit (25, 35, 40, 45)	13. EXISTING SPEEDS OF ROADWAY ABUTTING THIS SECTION 14a. ENTERING - MPH: 25	14b. EXITING - MPH: 40
15. AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC VOLUME 11,935 (2008)		16. ROADWAY CLASSIFICATION: <input type="checkbox"/> LOCAL <input type="checkbox"/> COLLECTOR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARTERIAL	
17. Speed recommendation from City or County Engineering Department (<i>required per ORS 810.180</i>): 25 and 35 MPH			
18. Reasons for this recommendation: The City and ODOT recently completed the construction of a new underpass for highway 213. The project created a new roadway (extension of Washington Street) and round-about north of 213. The added intersection and a close proximity to the existing intersection as well as the curves and round about will increase driver awareness of bikes and pedestrians and creates a natural reduction in speed through this new area. The City has installed many speed reduction features to provide redundancy in visual cues to promote slower speeds through the new area. Some of the features that were installed include; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Added and improved landscape features. • Wider sidewalks and improved pedestrian crossings • Improved bicycle route and lane improvements. • New round about. • New decorative street lighting • Improved pedestrian connections for Clackamas River Drive, Washington Street, regional trails and across I-205 to the water front. Research supports these treatments, along with reduced speeds, will effectively create a transition from higher speeds to lower speeds in the project improvement area near Highway 213. The lower posted speed is only on of many steps taken to make the driver aware of the changes when entering the area of new improvements near Hwy 213.			

19. Are curves in this section of roadway signed appropriately? YES NO N/A The new roadway in question was installed with curves.

20. Is the recommended speed consistent with the speeds of similar roadways in the surrounding area? YES NO

21. Speed Recommendation from enforcement: _____ MPH

22. Reasons for this recommendation:

23. Are there special plans to enforce the proposed speed zoning? (explain):

Periodically, the City of Oregon City Police perform traffic enforcement along this section of roadway to enforce the speed zones. There are no plans to provide additional traffic enforcement to a higher level, due to budget constraints and grants not being available for the additional traffic enforcement.

24. Speed Recommendation from local residents: 25 MPH

25. Reasons for this recommendation:

Local resident near the end of Clackamas River Drive currently operates his business on both sides of the road. He often travels across Clackamas River Drive from one storage yard to the other during the daytime. He has witnessed cars driving very fast around the corner and wishes to reduce the speed for safety reasons. With respect to the other areas in question we did not receive recommendations for local residents.

26. If more than one jurisdiction is involved, describe below (or furnish a map showing) where the city limits lines cross the roadway and where maintenance jurisdictional boundaries change. If there is more than one jurisdiction involved, this information must be furnished before the speed zone investigation can be done.

The City of Oregon City is the only jurisdiction involved in the areas of requested study. The City limits are shown on the map provided as we wish to stop the study on Clackamas River Drive at the City limits on the north end.

If you have questions on speed zones, contact the ODOT Traffic-Roadway Section in Salem at 986-3609, FAX 986-3749, or your local ODOT Region Traffic Office (see reverse for addresses).

When should speed zone investigations be requested? When traffic patterns have changed, development has occurred, crashes have increased, or requests have been received from a number of area residents or businesses.

Oregon law gives the State Department of Transportation the authority to establish speed zones on all roadways in Oregon. It also states that an engineering investigation will be done to determine what the appropriate speed should be (ORS 810.180).

The local roadway authority (the city or county) should perform a field review to determine the most reasonable beginning and ending points for the proposed speed zoning. Then the local roadway authority needs to complete this form and submit it to ODOT to request an investigation. If more than one jurisdiction is involved in the request, ODOT needs documentation from each that they both concur. This form facilitates the request by providing ODOT with the pertinent local information needed to complete the investigation.

Further speed zoning information may be obtained from your local ODOT Region Traffic Office at the address below:

Region 1

123 NW Flanders
Portland, OR 97209-4012
Tele: (503) 731-8200
FAX: (503) 731-8259

Region 2

Region 2 Tech Center
455 Airport Rd SE, Bldg A
Salem, OR 97301-4989
Tele: (503) 986-2990
FAX: (503) 986-2839

Region 3

3500 NW Stewart Parkway
Roseburg, OR 97470-1687
Tele: (541) 774-6335
FAX: (541) 957-3547

Region 4

63055 N. Hwy 97
PO Box 5309
Bend, OR 97708-5309
Tele: (541) 388-6189
FAX: (541) 388-6231

Region 5

3012 Island Avenue
La Grande, OR 97850-9497
Tele: (541) 963-3177
FAX (541) 963-9079