

AGENDA REQUEST & STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: April 23, 2025

SUBJECT: Approval of Order No. 2025-015, setting a temporary speed limit of 45 MPH on NW 19th Street between NW Odem and NW Sedgewick Avenues

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Move approval of Order No. 2025-015.

BACKGROUND AND POLICY IMPLICATIONS:

The Deschutes County Road Department is partnered with ODOT in delivering the U.S. 97: Lower Bridge Way - NW 10th Street (Terrebonne) project which includes the construction of a highway overpass and "dog bone" roundabout interchange at the intersection of US97 and NW Lower Bridge Way. Construction of the roundabout requires closure of NW Lower Bridge Way with a detour on Davidson Road and NW 19th Street that will be in effect for up to 10 months. Due to resident concerns and an alteration in the character of NW 19th Street (a collector road) by diverting NW Lower Bridge Way traffic to the detour route, Road Department staff have determined that a temporary speed limit of 45 mph is prudent.

Pursuant to ORS 810.180(8), a road authority may establish a temporary designated speed that is lower than the statutory speed by ordinance or order. The Road Department is requesting the implementation of a temporary 45 mph speed limit on NW 19th Street between NW Odem Avenue and NW Sedgewick Road. This segment is the only portion of the designated detour route that is not already posted at 45 mph or lower. The current statutory speed limit for this section is 55 mph.

Adoption of Order No. 2025-015 will implement a temporary designated speed of 45 mph on NW 19th Street between NW Odem Ave and NW Sedgewick Ave. The temporary designated speed will be in effect for the duration of the intersection improvement, which is presently anticipated to be substantially completed by early Winter 2026.

BUDGET IMPACTS:

None

ATTENDANCE: Cody Smith, County Engineer/Assistant Road Department Director