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Subject: RE: Speed limit concerns in Howey

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## Sean -

Speed limits on SR 19 are controlled by FDOT. This was one of the many items that we discussed with them at our recent meeting. They will perform a speed study if the town asks for one. However, given the ongoing construction of Hillside Groves, and the soon to begin construction of Watermark and Mission Rise, a study now would probably not give an accurate picture of current conditions. Also, after the intersection improvements at SR 19 & Hillside Groves/Pine Park and SR 19 & Revels Rd (Watermark & Mission Rise) are constructed, they would provide logical break points along SR 19 for reduced speed zones (something like 45 MPH from Revels to Hillside Groves, and 35 MPH from Hillside Groves to Florida Ave/Venezia Blvd). FDOT may want to wait for those improvements to be in place before initiating a study. A speed study could also be included in the proposed planning study for SR 19, however, that would be several years off and isn't currently funded.

Speed limits on No. 2 Road are controlled by Lake County. The town could ask them to review the current speed limits, but I think it would be more useful to include that into a broader review that looks at road geometry, access connections, trail & pedestrian improvements, utilities, and right-of-way.

- Don