

RESOLUTION FOR ESTABLISHING SPEED LIMITS

Appanoose County Resolution No. 2026-21

WHEREAS, recent legislation has designated statutory speed limits for rural paved routes, not otherwise provided, as 60 miles per hour in revision of the long standing 55 mile per hour limit, and

WHEREAS, many of the existing County paved routes are included in this revision, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors is empowered under the authority of the Code of Iowa Sections 321.255 and 321.285 of the Code of Iowa, to determine upon the basis of an engineering and traffic investigation, that the speed limit of any secondary road is greater than is reasonably proper under the conditions existing, and may determine and declare a reasonable and proper speed limit, and

WHEREAS, many of said existing County paved routes were designed for speeds less than 60 miles per hour, and

WHEREAS, Appanoose County prioritizes safety of the traveling public over the few benefits of a 5 mile per hour increase in the rural speed limit, and

WHEREAS, the afore mentioned legislation allowed less than a month for the effective date of July 1, 2026 for the speed limit change, and

WHEREAS, modifying the existing traffic control devices to a 60 mile per hour speed limit on the affected County paved routes will take several weeks to complete by available staff, and several additional weeks would be necessary to complete engineering analysis of compatibility of said routes for 60 mile per hour speed limits

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that all Appanoose County Paved Highways not previously designated with Speed Limits per section 321.285 for the Code of Iowa; or designated in the following list of exceptions from said change in speed limits shall be designated as 55 Mile Per Hour until such time as the County Engineer has completed a Speed Study and evaluation of the road corridor for suitability of a designated Speed Limit. Said Speed Studies and evaluations shall be completed and acted upon by the Board of Supervisors by November 1, 2026 or default to the statutory designation of 60 Miles Per Hour.

The County Engineer shall prepare reports comparable to previously supplied Engineering Traffic Studies, on all affected County Highways, considering but not limited to, the following:

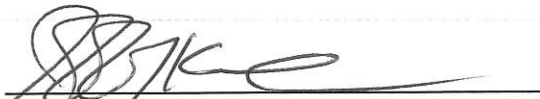
- 85% Travel Speeds
- Design guidelines for Horizontal and Vertical Geometry
- Existing hazards within the Highway Clear Zones
- Recognition of Residential Areas
- Recognition of Commercial and Recreation areas
- Designated points of interest from the 2026 Local Safety Action Plan

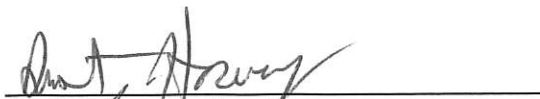
And, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Appanoose County Highways designated for speed limits of 60 miles per hour per the afore-mentioned legislation shall include:

- A. J18 from S70 to IA5
- B. J18 from Wayne County to S70
- C. J3T from Unionville to Davis County
- D. T30 from Missouri State Line to Exline
- E. T61 from 440th St (J19) to Wapello County
- F. J46 from Wayne County to IA 5

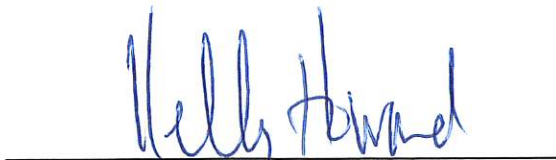
Resolution adopted this 29th day of June 2026.

Appanoose County Board of Supervisors


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ATTEST: Kelly Howard
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