

ORDINANCE NO. 2004-19-CM

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TRAFFIC
ON A CERTAIN TIPPECANOE COUNTY HIGHWAY
WHILE INDIANA SR 43 IS CLOSED

WHEREAS, the officials of Tippecanoe County became aware of the fact that the State of Indiana intended to close State Highway 43 near the Indiana Veterans' Home to replace a culvert; and

WHEREAS, such closure, is to occur on June 7, 2004; and

WHEREAS, it is reasonable to expect that a substantial number of vehicles will ignore the official detour over State Roads and use County Roads as the detour; and

WHEREAS, traffic on State Road 43 in Tippecanoe County is heavy and involves not only automobiles but many trucks carrying heavy loads; and

WHEREAS, the County Roads which will be used by vehicles, including trucks and tractor trailers carrying heavy loads, are unable to carry such heavy traffic without substantial damage to the surface of the roads; and

WHEREAS, the present speed limit on County Highways is 55 miles per hour unless established lower per Indiana Code; and

WHEREAS, heavy traffic traveling on county highways being used as an unofficial detour would be dangerous unless a lower speed limit is in place during the period such highways are being used as a detour; and

WHEREAS, an emergency exists as the regulation hereafter provided must become effective June 7, 2004 in conjunction with the closing of State Road 43; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of Tippecanoe County finds, declares and proclaims that there is an urgent necessity requiring the adoption of this Ordinance and requiring its effectiveness June 7, 2004.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF TIPPECANOE COUNTY, STATE OF INDIANA, THAT the safe speed limit on the affected road shall be as follows:

On Soldiers Home Road, from Overlook Drive to State Road 43, excluding those portions of the road located within the West Lafayette city limits, the maximum speed limit shall be 35 mph.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ALSO ENACTED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF TIPPECANOE COUNTY, STATE OF INDIANA, THAT the maximum weight limit on the affected road shall be as follows:

On Soldiers Home Road, from Overlook Drive to State Road 43, excluding those portions of the road located within the West Lafayette city limits, the maximum weight limit shall be 15 tons,.

This weight limit Ordinance does not apply to school busses transporting pupils to and from schools or to emergency vehicles.

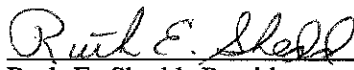
PENALTY FOR VIOLATION OF THIS ORDINANCE

1. A person who violates the speed regulations set forth in this Ordinance commits a Class C infraction.
2. A person who violates the weight limit regulations set forth in this Ordinance shall be fined seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) and all costs, including court costs, for each violation.

This Ordinance shall be effective 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 8, 2004.

PASSED AND ADOPTED on this 7th day of June, 2004.

Tippecanoe County Board of Commissioners



Ruth E. Shedd, President



John L. Knochel, Vice President



KD Benson, Member

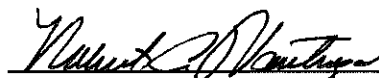
Vote First Reading

Shedd	Yes
Knochel	Yes
Benson	Yes

Vote Second Reading

Shedd	Yes
Knochel	Yes
Benson	Yes

Robert A. Plantenga hereby certifies that the above Ordinance was passed unanimously by a roll call vote of 3 - 0 on both the First Reading on the 7th day of June, 2004, and on Second Reading on the 7th day of June, 2004.



Robert A. Plantenga, Auditor of
Tippecanoe County, Indiana