

Glenda Wiles

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Subject: Support for reducing speed limit on Woodside Cutoff Road

I live on Catherine Lane and drive the Woodside Cutoff Road daily. Take a quick drive from Woodside to Corvallis with me. After leaving Woodside you quickly arrive at the Woodside bridge. Just before you get to the bridge there is traffic entering or exiting the highway at the Church. Just past the bridge there is traffic entering or exiting the highway at the fishing access site. The bridge itself is a danger zone. The bridge is narrow and when meeting a large vehicle you have to be careful, especially if there are pedestrians or bicycle riders crossing the bridge. The next stretch of the highway from the bridge to Old Corvallis Road is a natural wildlife crossing. During one three week period last summer when Catherine Lane enters the highway, a cow moose, 2 doe deer, a fawn, a skunk, a raccoon and a magpie were killed. This is a very dangerous stretch of highway for our wildlife and the motorist that hit them. The intersection at Old Corvallis Road is the next danger zone. There is a lot of traffic entering the highway or exiting on Old Corvallis Road. The walking path also crosses the highway at this point making it dangerous for pedestrians and bicycle riders. After leaving this area you quickly approach the Corvallis Fire Station and Corvallis.

Nowhere is it safe to be driving 60 mph on the Woodside Cutoff Road. The time people save by driving 60 mph instead of 45 mph is only a minute. Do the math.

Make it safe for everyone, reduce the speed limit from 60 mph to 45 mph.

Thank you,

Bill Engler