Speed Limit Recommendations

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Speed Limit Review

- Traffic Engineering Consultant (CDM Smith) undertakes periodic review of speed limits
  - Systemwide review in 2011 following capital improvements
  - On a cyclical basis to reevaluate appropriate speed limits
  - After major capital improvements

- Illinois law raised maximum speed limit effective January 1, 2014
  - Traffic Engineering Consultant performed a systemwide review/evaluation
  - Speed limits increases recommended and implemented on all Tollway routes
Review and Implementation Process

1. Speed Studies and Recommendation (Traffic Engineer)
2. Traffic Operations and Safety Committee (TOSC)
3. Board Approval
4. JCAR and IDOT Concurrence
5. Implementation

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Note: Actual locations of speed limit changes are determined by sign placement on the roadway.
Next Steps

- Board of Directors approve recommended speed limit increases
- Tollway sends recommendations to IDOT for concurrence and submits paperwork to the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules (JCAR)
- Tollway submits the rule change to the Secretary of State for publication
- Upon approval, the Tollway’s sign shop installs new speed limit signs (anticipated summer 2016)
- Ongoing review/adjustments
  - Following construction
  - On a cyclical basis

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