

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Designating a Temporary Maximum Speed )      Order No. 79-2007  
of 15 MPH for a Portion of Scappoose-Vernonia Road      )

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 810.010(2), Columbia County is the road authority over all county roads outside the boundaries of an incorporated city; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 810.180(8), a road authority may establish by ordinance or order a temporary designated speed for highways in its jurisdiction that is lower than the statutory speed, if, in the judgment of the road authority, the temporary designated speed is necessary to protect any portion of the highway from being unduly damaged, or to protect the safety of the public and workers when temporary conditions such as construction or maintenance activities constitute a danger; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to ORS 810.180(1)(a), "designated speed" means the speed that is designated by a road authority as the maximum permissible speed for a highway and that may be different from the statutory speed for the highway; and

WHEREAS, Columbia County has jurisdiction over that portion of Scappoose-Vernonia Road, as shown on the Scappoose-Vernonia Road Map which is attached hereto as Attachment 1, and is incorporated herein by this reference; and

WHEREAS, Columbia County will be constructing improvements to Bridge #17 located on Scappoose-Vernonia Road; and

WHEREAS, the Public Works Director has advised that because the road is being narrowed to one lane, a maximum speed zone of 15 mph on Scappoose-Vernonia Road in the vicinity of Bridge #17 is appropriate for the health and safety of the public until the road is again open to two-way traffic;

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. The Board of County Commissioners finds that a temporary designated speed of 15 mph is necessary to protect the safety of the public and workers during the construction of Columbia County Bridge #17.
2. The designated speed for Scappoose-Vernonia Road in the vicinity of Bridge #17, as shown in Attachment 1, is 15 miles per hour until such time as the road is open for two-way vehicular traffic or 120 days which ever comes first. If in 120 days the road is not open for two-way traffic, a new order may be put in effect.

3. The Columbia County Road Department shall post the road indicating the designated speed at each end of the portion of road where the temporary designated speed is imposed, and at such other places on the road as maybe necessary to inform the public.
4. The temporary designated speed shall be effective when signs giving notice of the temporary designated speed are posted.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007.

Approved as to form

By: *Suzanne Hauko*  
County Counsel

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: *Rita Bernhard*  
Rita Bernhard, Chair

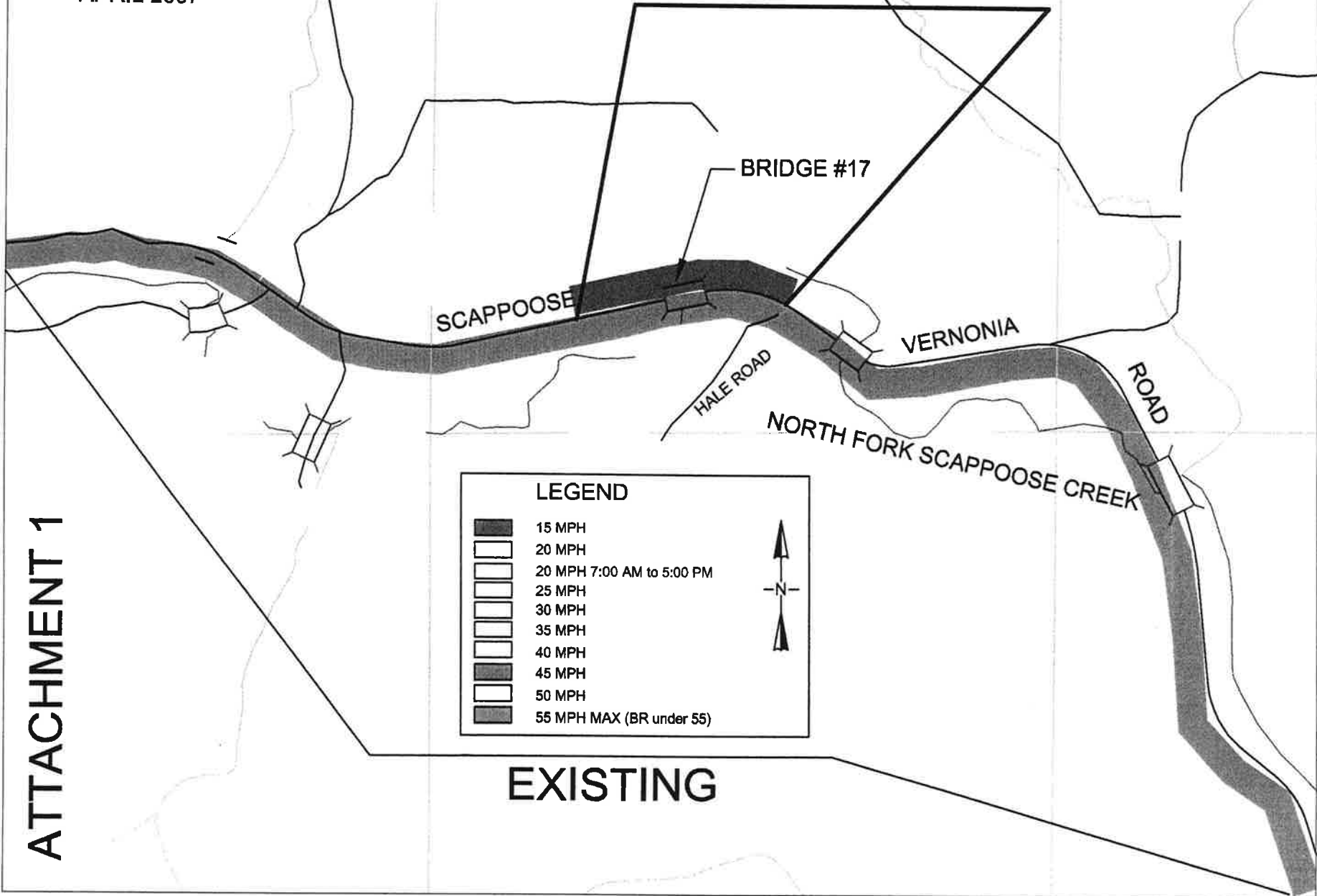
By: *Anthony Hyde*  
Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

By: *Joe Corsiglia*  
Joe Corsiglia, Commissioner

# SCAPPOOSE-VERNONIA ROAD COLUMBIA COUNTY

APRIL 2007

## RECOMMENDED



ATTACHMENT 1

## EXISTING