Oklahoma Department of Transportation

Speed Limits and Oversized Loads
Construction Control Directive No. **20000321**

February 8, 2007

Scope:

To identify the procedure to be followed when lowering the posted speed limit or reducing the roadway clearance on a construction project.

Reducing the Posted Speed Limit

Oklahoma Statute 47-11-803 provides that Local Authorities (Field Division Engineers) may adjust speed limits through construction zones as needed for safety. In order to do this, send a memo describing the location of the work, the altered speed to be posted, and the anticipated duration to the Oklahoma Highway Patrol Troop having jurisdiction with copies to the Traffic Division and Construction Division.

When the speed limit is returned to normal, notify the same parties, also by memo. An enclosure indicates the address of OHP Troops.

Oversized Loads

When traffic lanes through a work zone will not accommodate oversize or overweight loads, notify the following office of the Oklahoma Department of Public Safety to prevent loads from being routed through the project by permit.

Oklahoma Department of Public Safety-Size & Weight Permit Division P.O. Box 11415

Oklahoma City, Ok. 73136 Phone: 405-425-2206

Fax: 405-424-0943

George Raymond, P.E. Construction Engineer