



SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT
NEWS RELEASE

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DISTRIBUTION

Orig.-report; All-Police, City Council, City Mgr.

LOCATION South San Francisco

TYPE OF INCIDENT Notification to motorists – Speed limit change on El Camino Real

SUMMARY OF CRIME INCIDENT (If no arrest, include suspect info.) Information need not be released that: (1) would endanger the safety of a witness or other person; (2) would hamper successful completion of the investigation or related investigation; (3) is an analysis or conclusion of the investigating officer. **The name and address of a victim of any crime defined by Section 261, 264, 264.1, 273a, 273d, 273.5, 286, 288, 288a, 289, 422.6, 422.7, 422.75, or 646.9 of the Penal Code may be withheld at the victim's request or at the request of the victim's parent or guardian if the victim is a minor.**



In an effort to improve safety along the El Camino Real corridor in South San Francisco, Caltrans is changing the speed limit from 40 miles per hour to 35 miles per hour. This change was recommended and initiated by CalTrans, not the City of South San Francisco. The CalTrans reduction of the speed limit from 40 MPH down to 35 MPH will make it consistent with the speed limit on El Camino Real throughout all other cities in San Mateo County. The replacement of the 40 MPH signage to 35 MPH signage is already occurring.

A traffic study was conducted in the fall and after evaluating the vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian activities, and the complete street features with various enhancements, it was recommended the speed limit be lowered to better fit the developments along El Camino Real.

Statistics indicate that within South San Francisco city limits, the El Camino Real corridor has the highest traffic collision rates resulting in bodily injury. We sincerely hope that this reduction in speed will result in increased safety with injuries prevented and lives saved.

With the many on-going changes to our city, we continue to appreciate the support from the citizens and the community, while changes are made to make South San Francisco roadways safer.