

February 25, 2015

Ravalli County Commissioners  
215 South 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite A  
Hamilton, MT 59840

Dear Ravalli County Commissioners:

Congratulations on approving the new pedestrian and bicycle bridge crossing at the Bitterroot River Woodside Cutoff Road! Thank you all very much! I would like at this time to suggest that the speed limit on the Woodside Cutoff Road, currently 60 mph, be reduced to 45 mph. 60 mph is excessive given the number of pedestrians, cyclists and traffic that are on the road. When construction begins for the new bridge and bike path, drivers will have to slow down until construction is completed. If the speed limit is lowered from 60 mph to 45 mph, drivers will have already been accustomed to driving at a safer, more moderate speed. Permanently lowering the speed limit from 60 mph to 45 mph would greatly safeguard pedestrians, cyclists and drivers from possible accidents or even fatalities on Woodside Cutoff Road.

I travel Woodside Cutoff Road daily and am much chagrined at the number of deer carcasses on the side of the road every year. Hopefully lowering the speed limit on Woodside Cutoff Road will also lower the number of deer accidents on that road as well.

Please consider and put into action the steps necessary to lower the section of Woodside Cutoff Road that is currently 60 mph to 45 mph. Lowering the speed limit on that stretch of road would be very much appreciated by, I'm sure, all who use Woodside Cutoff Road.

Sincerely,

Hilary M. Stahl

cc: Ravalli County Road Dept.  
Corvallis Civic Club  
Ravalli Republic  
Bitterroot Star

## Glenda Wiles

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**From:** douglas j stahl <hilarymstahl@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 25, 2015 2:40 PM  
**To:** Glenda Wiles  
**Subject:** Woodside Pedestrian Bridge and Bike Path  
**Attachments:** Ltr re Speed Limit Woodside Cutoff.docx

Hi Glenda! Attached is my letter to the Ravalli County Commissioners re the above subject! If you would be so kind to see that each Commissioner gets a copy I would much appreciate it and hopefully we can get positive results from it!

Thank you Glenda! Hilary.