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Texas Department of Transportation
Alfred Luera
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Subject: Request for Speed Limit Reduction on FM 1191 Due to Increased Industrial Traffic

Dear Mr. Luera,

Following a unanimous vote on behalf of the Jack County Commissioners Court, we are submitting this request to the Texas Department of Transportation to lower the posted speed limit on Farm to Market Road 1191, south of Bryson, Texas. This request is made in the interest of public safety due to the significant increase in commercial vehicle traffic resulting from ongoing and upcoming industrial projects in southwestern Jack County.

The Pennington Solar Project and the Oncor Power Transformer Station, located off Rock Creek Road, have already created substantial industrial construction activity, leading to hazardous commercial vehicle traffic along FM 1191. Additionally, the Possum Kingdom Solar and BESS Project is scheduled to begin construction in the summer of 2026, further increasing commercial vehicle traffic for the foreseeable future.

In response to these concerns, the Jack County Commissioners' Court has proactively reduced speed limits on all county roads to 30 miles per hour and designated Rock Creek Road, Haskell Ranch Road, and Barton Creek Road as

construction zones with posted speed limits reduced to 20 miles per hour. We have also collaborated extensively with our local Texas Department of Public Safety State Troopers and the Jack County Sheriff's Office to enforce commercial motor vehicle weight restrictions and issue speeding citations to violators.

Given the increasing industrial activity, we respectfully request that TxDOT lower the speed limit on FM 1191 to enhance the safety of residents and those traveling through this construction-heavy area.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter and welcome the opportunity to discuss this request further. Please let us know if additional information is required.

Sincerely,

Brian Keith Umphress
Jack County Judge

