

**Recommendations for Resident Participation**

**Radar Dolly**—We have a portable radar sign on a dolly residents can borrow and place on their street for up to two weeks. This unit gives motorists feedback on the speed at which they are driving, encouraging them to obey the speed limit.



Radar Dolly

**Neighborhood Speed Watch**—One of the ways you can help to address periodic speeders is by borrowing a radar unit and participating in our Neighborhood Speed Watch Program. Using the radar unit, you can record information about vehicles you observe traveling at or above 30 mph. From this information, we will locate the registered owners of the vehicles and send a letter to them asking for their cooperation in reducing their speed.

**Neighborhood Speed Reduction (NSR) Program**—This neighborhood-sponsored program involves lending portable signs to the neighborhood for four months, encouraging motorists to respect the neighborhood, drive responsibly and drive 25 mph.



NSR Sign

Along with the signs, a neighborhood Pace Car program is organized with residents setting the pace for the motorists following them by driving 25 mph.

**Please feel free to contact Brian Casey at [bcasey@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:bcasey@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-6867 if you feel your neighborhood would benefit from participating in the programs or recommendations listed above.**



August 23, 2010

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██████████ 145th Avenue SE  
Bellevue, WA 98006

**Subject: Traffic Concerns on 145th Avenue SE north of SE 60th Street**

Dear Ms. ██████████

Thank you for participating in the Neighborhood Enhancement Program and Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program and letting us know your concerns on 145th Avenue SE near your home. We have completed our field reviews and data analysis of the location and would like to share with you our findings.

Speed studies on 145th Avenue SE recorded the average speed of motorists as 27 mph, with 85% of drivers traveling at or below 32 mph along this 25 mph street. There were 597 vehicles recorded over a 24-hour period during this study, and the fastest speed recorded was 38 mph.

Although you requested that speed humps be installed on your street, we are only able to recommend education and enforcement measures. The City is currently experiencing a significant reduction in revenues due to the economic downturn. In order to meet these lower revenue projections, there are a number of citywide services proposed for elimination and/or reductions. The installation of physical measures, such as speed humps, is one of the services proposed for elimination.

The City Council is in the process of developing the 2011/2012 Budget. Citizen involvement is important to the overall budget process. Should you wish to participate, we encourage you to do so by emailing the Council at [council@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:council@bellevuewa.gov), or by attending a City Council meeting. More information on addressing the Council can be found at: <http://www.bellevuewa.gov/5013.htm>. A final determination of service cuts is anticipated for early December of this year.

Although physical traffic calming measures cannot be installed on 145th Avenue SE, there are a number of education programs, which are effective at heightening motorists' awareness of the speed limit. Borrowing a radar dolly, for example, would give you a better idea of traffic conditions on your street while also encouraging speeding motorists to slow down. If you would like to participate in the Radar Dolly Program, please contact Brian Casey at [bcasey@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:bcasey@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-6867. We



also encourage you and your neighbors to participate in the Neighborhood Speed Watch and Neighborhood Speed Reduction Programs described in this packet.

Police enforcement plays a key role in reducing vehicle speeds. We have forwarded a copy of the most recent 145th Avenue SE speed study to Police Traffic to assist them with their enforcement efforts. In addition, we have requested extra enforcement for you. We encourage you to contact them directly as well, by calling 425-577-5656 and requesting police enforcement.

We understand your concern with vehicle speeds on 145th Avenue SE. A Traffic Safety Newsletter will be prepared and sent to area residents in your neighborhood explaining the results of our speed and volume studies. We will share information about our education programs and remind them to drive 25 mph on neighborhood streets.

Again, thank you for sharing your concerns with us. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at [lglas@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:lglas@bellevuewa.gov) or 425-452-2841.

Sincerely,

Linda Glas, P.E.  
 Neighborhood Traffic Project Manager  
 Transportation Department



Northbound 145th Ave SE north of SE 60th



Southbound 145th Ave SE north of SE 60th



## General Information

### 24-Hour Speed Studies

Date Conducted	Location	Traffic Volume Recorded	Northbound Speed Study	Southbound Speed Study	Average Speed
07/21/10	145th Ave SE Near 5800	597 Vehicles	32 MPH*	32 MPH*	27 MPH

\*85% of motorists were recorded traveling at or below this speed.

#### Legend

-  Speed/Volume Count
-  Existing 25 MPH Pavement Marking

