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Montana Department of Transportation

March 29, 2025

Mr. Christopher Dorrington  
Director, Montana Department of Transportation  
P.O. Box 201001  
Helena, MT 59620

Re: Community Support for Changes in Speed Limit Signs in Hall, Montana

Dear Director Dorrington,

My wife, Shelley, and I filed with the Granite County Board of Commissioners a petition for changes in speed limit signs on State Highway 1 in Hall, Granite County, Montana. On February 18, 2025, the Granite County Commissioners held a hearing concerning changes in the location of speed limit signs in Hall. I spoke in support of the Petition, summarizing its detailed facts and requests. Granite County Sheriff, Scott Dunkerson and Granite County Attorney, Blaine Bradshaw, attended the hearing and spoke in favor of the petition. Sheriff Dunkerson was able to give testimony concerning the numbers of speed limit violations the Sheriff's office has experienced and the numbers of fatal and non-fatal accidents which have occurred recently in Hall on Highway 1.

The Commissioners voted unanimously in support of the petition and directed a letter to you, dated February 18, 2025, with strong recommendations that expedited action be taken by the MDOT to change the locations of the speed signs as requested in the petition and to install radar-activated, solar powered speed indicator signs on both ends of Hall on Highway 1.

On February 18, 2025, Sheriff Dunkerson also wrote a letter to you in strong support for speed sign changes. Specifically, Sheriff Dunkerson stated: "The Sheriff's Office and our Partner agencies need this area considered for improvement with signage and anything else that would improve the safety of our residents living in Hall."

I gave a copy of our petition for speed limit changes to the Board of Trustees of Hall Elementary School District No. 8. The secretary of the School Board sent me a copy of a letter the school trustees mailed to you dated March 21, 2025. The trustees explained that the school facility is located approximately 200 feet from the intersection of Main Street and Highway 1 and that the "safety of our students and their parents" require changes in the location of the speed limit signs and installation of radar-activated, solar powered speed indicator signs at both entrances to Hall on Highway 1.

We sought support for the petition from Granite County residents who live in or near Hall and people who work at the several businesses in Hall. I am enclosing the original signatures of local residents who support moving the speed limit signs approaching Hall and installing radar-activated, solar powered speed indicator signs at each end on Highway 1. Thirty-eight people signed in support.

The people who signed in support who do not have Hall addresses work at one of the businesses in Hall, are employed by the Hall Elementary School or have observed speeding vehicles in Hall on Highway 1. Four of the signers are parents who walk their children from the east side of Highway 1 to the Hall Elementary School on the west side. Of special note are Meghan and Jack Rhodes who walk their children to school. Not only are they concerned parents, but Jack is a Montana Highway Patrolman who has given speed violation tickets to drivers travelling at unlawful speeds in or on the outskirts of Hall.

While obtaining signatures, one topic arose not covered in the petition for changes in locations of speed limit signs. Folks who live on Main Street in Hall (State Highways 512 & 513) believe the signage for the 25 MPH speed limit on those streets could be improved; especially, for West Main Street which passes by the Elementary School. There is not a west-facing 25 MPH speed limit sign on the west boundary of Hall.

Thank you for your consideration of the information contained in this letter and the enclosed signatures of citizens supporting the petition for change. If you have any questions or suggestions concerning this urgent request, please contact me.

Very truly yours,



Charles (Chuck) Johnson

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**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
HALL ELEMANTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 8  
109 W. Main Street  
Hall, Montana 59837**

March 21, 2025

Mr. Christopher Dorrington  
Director, Montana Department of Transportation  
P.O. Box 201001  
Helena, MT 59620

Re: Support for Changes in Speed Limit Signs in Hall, Montana

Dear Director Dorrington,


The Board of Granite County Commissioners mailed to you a letter dated February 18, 2025, in which the commissioners attached a letter from Granite County Sheriff, Scott Dunkerson, and a formal Petition submitted by Chuck and Shelley Johnson, residents of Hall, MT, requesting changes in the locations of speed limit signs on MT Highway 1 approaching Hall. The letters from the Granite County Commissioners and Sheriff Dunkerson and the Johnson Petition contain strong and detailed factual evidence compelling a decision by your department that the speed limit signs in Hall need to be relocated to provide meaningful warning to motorists travelling into Hall to reduce their vehicle speed to no more than 30 MPH to provide for essential safety for vehicles and pedestrians. The Commissions and Sheriff Dunkerson, as well as the Johnson petition request that radar activated, solar powered LED speed indicator signs should be installed at both Highway 1 entrances to Hall.

The Hall elementary school is located on 109 Main Street which is no more than 200 feet from the intersection of Main Street and Highway 1. Parents bring their children to the entrance to the school each school day requiring them to either walk across Highway 1 or turn at the intersection to drop them off. It is a very busy intersection and the school trustees have observed that traffic on Highway 1 is frequently traveling at speeds in excess of the 30-mph speed limit. We believe this excessive speed presents a serious danger to the safety of our students and their parents. The 30-mph speed limit signs on each end of Hall on Highway 1 are positioned inside Hall's outer residential limits and dangerously close to the intersection of Highway 1 and Main Street. Those speed limit signs should be moved several hundred feet outside the Highway 1 entrances to Hall.

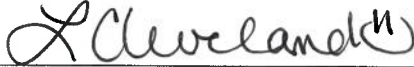
We strongly believe safety for the children and parents would be enhanced if the MDT installs radar activated solar powered speed indicator signs at both entrances to Hall on Highway 1.

We support the requests of the County Commissions, Sheriff Dunkerson and Chuck and Shelley Johnson and ask that all remedies requested in the Johnson petition be implemented soon for the safety of our students and community.

Sincerely,  
Hall School Board of Trustees

  
Dawn Hauptman, Chairperson/Trustee

  
Hayley Skinner, Trustee

  
Laurie Cleveland, Trustee



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Date: February 18, 2025

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Dear Director Christopher Dorrington:

We want to first thank you for your dedication to the people of Montana and the Montana highway system. We know that safety is your priority, and we appreciate your service to Montana.

We want to discuss Montana Highway 1 and what we feel is an absolute emergency issue as Montana Highway 1 goes through Hall, Montana. There have been several bad wrecks on Montana Highway 1 in Hall over the past five (5) years with speed being a factor with all of them. There was a traffic fatality in 2022 that affected all of Granite County as a local resident passed away. Please see attached letter from the Granite County Sheriff, Scott Dunkerson, and formal written Petition submitted by Mr. Charles Johnson of Hall, Montana. These letters are very strong evidence that action needs taken soon.

We are strongly recommending radar speed signs (solar) being installed on each side of Hall on each side of the 30-mile per hour zone along Montana Highway 1. We believe this will be effective in slowing traffic. There is a school cross-walk in Hall across Montana Highway 1 so these radar speed signs are critical for pedestrian and driver safety. This is a first step, but more still needs to be done for public safety.

Next, we ask that a speed study be expedited and conducted as soon as possible to look to extend the 30-mile per hour zone and 40-mile per hour zone on each side of Hall, Montana. The 30-mph speed zone should be extended significantly, and we will believe a speedy study will provide a basis for that necessary change. There is the County shop on the north side of Hall along Montana Highway 1, an elementary school right in Hall close to Montana Highway 1, and there is a fire hall for the Valley Fire District along Montana Highway 1 on the north side of Hall. All of these government owned buildings are critical for our County, but create a lot of local traffic beyond the busy traffic during the hunting seasons, ski season, and summer and fall tourism season.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this emergent issue. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely,

Granite County Commissioners

  
Assistant to Granite County Commissioners, Maranda Williams

*Granite County Courthouse  
Philipsburg, Montana*



# Granite County Sheriff's Office

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February 18, 2025

Montana Department of Transportation

To who it may concern:

This letter is to inform you of the support for the Hall Montana speed study proposal submitted by the Granite County Commissioners, and the constituents we work for.

There have been a couple of serious crashes on Highway 1 within Hall the last few years. Please refer to the attached documents. Although alcohol was a contributing factor, speed also attributed. There is a small school with a cross walk located approximately 100 yards from Highway 1, with a cross walk dissecting Highway 1, at the Highway 512 and 513 interchange. School busses from Philipsburg and Drummond are making stops in the area we are requesting the study. Within recent memory, Deputies have summoned multiple drivers to Justice Court for 31+ MHP within the 30 MPH zone. There have been a total of 463 traffic stops in the last 5 years also within the site study area. The Sheriff's Office and our Partner agencies need this area considered for improvement with signage and anything else that would improve the safety of our residents living in Hall!

From a public safety perspective, it's just a matter of time before we have another serious incident on Highway 1 through Hall. This particular request really does need to be taken seriously and expedited.

Thank you for your attention to this serious public safety matter.

Respectfully,

Scott Dunkerson  
Sheriff/Coroner  
Granite County

**ACCIDENTS IN HALL FROM 01/01/2020 TO 02/18/2025 (past 5 years)**

- 1.) CFS2406206 – MT 1 and Farm to Market Rd. – Serious Injury (Transported by EMS)
- 2.) CFS2204238 – MT 1 MM 57 – Serious Injury (Transported by EMS)
- 3.) Cfs2204143 – MT 1 MM 57.5 - Serious Injury (Transported by EMS)
- 4.) Cfs2205525 – MT 1 MM 57.5 – Fatal Accident

**TRAFFIC STOPS IN HALL FROM 01/01/2020 TO 02/18/2025 (past 5 years)**

**TOTAL = 463**

**39 of the traffic stops were at Mile Marker 36 – without these the total is 424**

# PETITION FOR CHANGES IN SPEED LIMIT SIGNS IN HALL, GRANITE COUNTY, MONTANA

## **To Granite County Commissioners:**

Chuck and Shelley Johnson, residents of the home at 114 South Broadway Avenue, Hall, Montana, submit the following petition to the Granite County Commissioners to undertake all actions necessary to change the locations of the existing speed limit signs on Montana Highway 1 approaching and inside the commercial and residential areas of Hall.

Currently, the general daytime speed limit on Highway 1 is 70 MPH. The truck speed limit and general nighttime speed limit is 65 MPH. For safety, there are a number of special speed zones on Highway 1 where the 70 MPH speed limit has been reduced in Granite County. Specifically, at the north end of Highway 1 between I-90 and the intersection of Highway 1 and Highway 10A, the speed limit is reduced to 55 MPH and no passing is allowed. At a distance ½ mile in either direction from the intersection of the Maxville turnoff and Highway 1, the speed limit is reduced to 60 MPH. For approximately ½ mile on either side of the intersection of Highway 1 and the Philipsburg turnoff, the speed limit is reduced to 55 MPH.

## **TRAFFIC SAFETY ISSUES IN HALL:**

Highway 1 travels through the middle of Hall. The east and west Farm-to-Market roads (State Highways 512 & 513) intersect Highway 1 in the middle of Hall. There are homes, Granite County Road Department facilities and businesses for approximately 1/3 of a mile on both sides of Highway 1 as it passes through Hall. Currently, there is a south-facing 40 MPH speed limit sign 650' south of the first home at the south end of Hall. There is a north-facing 40 MPH speed limit sign 1320' north of the first home at the north end of Hall.

The current placement of 30 MPH signs in Hall is absurdly unsafe. The first south-facing 30 MPH sign is 207' to the north of the turnout to the first residence at the south end of Hall and a Granite County Road Department turnout. A northbound vehicle entering Hall will pass 5 approaches to residences or the Granite County Road Department facilities before passing the south-facing 30 MPH speed limit sign. The first north-facing 30 MPH sign is 235' to the south of the turnout to the first residence at the north end of Hall. A southbound vehicle entering Hall will pass 2 residential approaches and the approach to the Methodist Church before passing the north-facing 30 MPH speed limit sign. In other words, traffic entering Hall is not directed to slow to 30 MPH until vehicles are well over 200' into the residential and Granite County Road Department areas of Hall. This flies in the face of Section 61-8-303 (1)(c) MCA which states that the speed limit for vehicles traveling in an urban district is 25 MPH.

The placement of 40 MPH signs inside Hall for outgoing traffic is equally unsafe. The north-facing 40 MPH sign for southbound traffic exiting Hall is 207' to the north of the turnout



to the first residence at the south end of Hall. The south-facing 40 MPH sign for northbound traffic exiting Hall is 235' to the south of the turnout to the first residence at the north end of Hall. This sign is totally obscured by trees and shrubbery so that the drivers of northbound vehicles cannot see the sign.

Generally, drivers passing southward through Hall slow down to approximately 30 MPH as they pass the intersection of Highway 1 and the Farm-to-Market roads. As soon as they pass the intersection they see the north-facing 40 MPH speed limit sign. If there is no traffic ahead of them, drivers will accelerate fully and are often travelling at speeds between 40 and 50 MPH as they approach the southern end of Hall. Due to the fact that the south-facing 30 MPH sign is well within the margins of Hall, many drivers are driving at speeds well above 40 MPH as they enter Hall from the south.

At the north edge of Hall, most south-bound drivers are travelling at excessive speeds until they arrive at the 30 MPH speed limit sign which is located 235' south of the first residence on the north boundary of Hall.

There are other roadside features outside of the boundaries of Hall on Highway 1 which demand reduced speeds. The Valley Fire Department has established a 3-bay fire station 1820' north of Hall on Highway 1 which houses three fire trucks to respond to fire emergencies. At present, the posted daytime speed limit at the approach to the fire station is 70 MPH with the north-facing 40 MPH speed limit sign positioned 500' to the south of the fire station entrance. For purposes of safety, the north-facing 40 MPH speed limit sign should be positioned at least 500' to the north of the fire station entrance.

A Montana historical highway sign on Highway 1 with a paved turnout is located 1045' south from the southern-most residence in Hall. This historical sign turnout on the east side of the highway is used for tourist traffic stops, tractor-trailer stops, hunter check point stations, snow-plow turnarounds and is a child pick-up point for Granite County school buses. These frequent stops at the historical marker turnout result in travelers pulling off of and on to the highway at that location. Currently, the north-facing 70 MPH sign and the south facing 40 MPH sign are located 400' to the north of the historical marker turnout. This is clearly unsafe since vehicle drivers are currently invited to travel 70 MPH approaching and passing the historical sign turnout rather than at a safer speed of 40 MPH.

Another risk-increasing feature is the recent re-opening of the Stockman's Bar in Hall which is located just to the west of the Highway 1 and Farm-to-Market intersection in the middle of Hall. Safely entering Highway 1 from West Farm-to-Market is difficult due to the Highway 1 curve immediately north of the intersection which requires extreme diligence to wait for or stop for southbound traffic on Highway 1. Alcohol-impaired drivers may not be as observant as unimpaired drivers. This highlights the necessity of having traffic on Highway 1 moving at speeds no greater than 30 MPH through Hall.

The Hall Elementary School is directly across the west Farm-to-Market road from the Stockman's Bar. Vehicles dropping off or picking up school children frequently enter and exit Farm-to-Market Road from Highway 1 in the center of Hall. Some school children walk across Highway 1 before and after school hours. This is an additional reason for vehicles on Highway 1 to drive slowly through Hall with heightened attention.

During its last major upgrade, the MDOT constructed sidewalks on both sides of Highway 1 as it travels through Hall. Residents regularly use the sidewalks for walking from homes to the Hall post office, Hogans Ranch Supply, Hall Elementary School and the Stockman's Bar. Since the sidewalks are positioned next to the vehicle lanes on Highway 1, there is a greater risk that a speeding and/or inattentive vehicle driver could negligently drive onto the sidewalk, injuring or killing pedestrians.

The Granite County Road Department has mechanical shops on the west side and gravel piles on the east side of Highway 1 within the town boundaries at its southern end. Heavy duty trucks, pickups, trailers, graders, loaders and other equipment are entering and exiting Highway 1 from the shops and materials locations on a frequent basis causing greater danger from fast moving vehicle traffic to both the road department crew and travelers. Currently, a Philipsburg School District bus uses the southern-most Granite County Road Department entryway as a safe turn-around point twice each school day. This turnaround point is less safe when traffic is traveling faster than 30 MPH. Currently, the posted speed limit at this bus turnaround point is 40 MPH.

Highway 1 as it enters Hall on both the north and the south bisects deer crossing corridors. Deer frequently cross Highway 1 to access drinking water and forage. There are occasional collisions between the crossing deer and vehicles. Slower vehicle speeds would help reduce the frequency of these collisions.

In 2022, there were 2 traffic accidents within Hall where north traveling vehicles drove off the shoulder of Highway 1. At least one of these accidents resulted in a fatality.

**RECOMMENDED REMEDIATION:**

**North side of Hall:**

1. North facing 40 MPH speed sign should be placed approximately 250' north of the entrance to the Valley Fire Department Station.
2. South facing 70 MPH speed sign should be place approximately 250 north of the entrance to the Valley Fire Department Station.
3. New north facing 30 MPH speed sign should be placed approximately 400' north of the existing north facing 30 MPH speed sign.
4. Existing north facing 30 MPH speed sign should be left as is.
5. South facing 40 MPH speed sign located across from the entrance to the Dunkerson residence should be replaced with a south facing 30 MPH speed sign.

6. The north facing blinking warning lights near the mid-town intersection should be activated during all night-time hours.
7. A north facing radar activated, solar powered LED Speed Indicator sign should be installed at the north Highway 1 entrance to Hall.


**South side of Hall:**


1. New south facing 40 MPH speed sign should be placed approximately 250' south of the entrance to the State Historical sign turnout.
2. New north facing 70 MPH speed sign should be placed approximately 250' south of the entrance to the State Historical sign turnout.
3. New south facing 30 MPH speed sign should be placed approximately 400' to the north of the north edge of the State Historical sign turnout. The south facing 40 MPH sign should be removed at this point
4. New north facing 40 MPH speed sign should be placed approximately 400' to the north of the north edge of the State Historical sign turnout.
5. Existing south facing 30 MPH speed sign 207' north of the approach to the southernmost residence in Hall should remain in place.
6. Existing north facing 40 MPH speed sign 207' north of the approach to the southernmost residence in Hall should be removed and replaced with a 30 MPH sign.
7. The south facing blinking warning lights near the mid-town intersection should be activated during all night-time hours.
8. A south facing radar activated, solar powered LED Speed Indicator Sign should be installed at the south Highway 1 entrance to Hall.

Petitioner, Chuck Johnson, has spoken with Liz Luoma (now deceased), Al Platt (now deceased) and Tony Robles, all of whom live or have lived in homes bordering Highway 1 within Hall. These Hall residents and former residents support this petition.

Dated this 18<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025

PETITIONERS

  
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Chuck Johnson

  
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Shelley Johnson

**CITIZENS IN SUPPORT OF CHANGE IN SPEED LIMIT SIGN**

**LOCATIONS ON MONTANA HIGHWAY 1 APPROACHING HALL, MONTANA**

The following citizens of Montana support the requests of the Granite County Commissioners, Granite County Sheriff's Department and Hall residents, Chuck and Shelley Johnson, to relocate the speed limit signs approaching Hall and to install radar-activated, solar powered speed indicator signs at each end of Hall on Highway 1. These changes are urgently required for the safety of the children attending the Hall Elementary School, pedestrians and vehicles crossing Highway 1, residents of Hall, and the traveling public. We ask that the Montana Department of Transportation implement all remedies requested in the petition submitted by Chuck and Shelley Johnson:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
<u>Kris A. (Tony) Robles</u>	<u>112 S BROADWAY, HALL</u>
<u>Cody Davis</u>	<u>28 Frontage RD W, Drummond</u>
<u>Broke Corington</u>	<u>32 Juniper Ridge, Drummond, MT</u>
<u>Roy L. Nicols</u>	<u>122 West Main Hall MT</u>
<u>L Cleveland</u>	<u>35 main h Hall, MT 59837</u>
<u>Hubert Skinner</u>	<u>81 Hendrix Ranch Ln Hall, MT</u>
<u>Dawn Hauptman</u>	<u>#8 Jensen Ranch Ln Hall, MT</u>
<u>Dan Parker</u>	<u>62 Lower W. Ck Rd.</u>
<u>Teresa M. Kielley</u>	<u>51 Bert Weaver Rd, Hall, MT</u>
<u>Janet Hauptman</u>	<u>35 Fairgrounds Loop Drummond MT 59832</u>
<u>Nancy Jo Radtke</u>	<u>1 Upper Cow Cr Rd Drummond MT 59832</u>
<u>Bridget Perry</u>	<u>23 Asape Lane Drummond MT 59832</u>
<u>Patricia Bignell</u>	<u>38 Olsson Ln, Hall, MT 59837</u>
<u>Jay Johnson</u>	<u>115 W. Main St Hall MT 59837</u>

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Frances Cace	PO Box 186 Philipsburg <sup>100 N. Broadway</sup> 59858
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Brandon Clark	PO Box 251 Hall, MT
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Judy Hogan	100 Main ST Hall, MT
Katie Lindquist	103 E. Main St. Hall, MT
Justin Bunker	103 E. Main St. Hall, MT
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NAME

ADDRESS

Judy M Guede

122 W Main St Hall

Meghan Rhodes

109 Second St. Hall

Shirley Spencer

3 Grassland Dr. Drummond MT 59832

Lisa Hathaway

11 Gold Coin Rd. Hall

Waine Mackay

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Alita Parke

116 E Mullan Trl, Drummond, MT 59832

Edward Kelley

51 Best Weaver Rd Hall

Parker Bignell

28 Olsson Lane Hall MT 59837

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109 2nd St. Hall, MT 59837

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Don Haupt

P.O. Box 97 Hall, <sup>111 West Main St.</sup> MT. 59837

April 7, 2025

Hall School Board of Trustees  
100 W Main St  
Hall MT 59837

Dear School Board Trustees,

Thank you for reaching out to the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) regarding a reduction in speed on MT Highway 1 (MT 1) in Hall.

For a permanent reduction in speed to be considered, a speed study must be conducted. These studies need to be initiated by the local government. You'll need to reach out to your local government officials to request they consider initiating a speed study through the corridor. Any proposed changes to the speed limit would then be reviewed by the County Commissioners and then brought to the Montana Transportation Commission for action. This process typically takes 12-18 months to complete. MDT does not have authorization to change what has been approved by the Commission, including the speed limits or locations of speed zones.

As of today, our office has not received a speed study request from the Granite County Commissioners. They will need to send a formal letter to our office at 2100 W Broadway, Missoula MT 59808. Upon receipt of that letter, our staff will be able to start the process.

You can gain more information about speed studies on our website here: [Speed Limits](#)

Your comment has been shared with the appropriate staff and documented for the record.

We do care and we are listening, thank you for taking the time to contact us. If you have additional questions, please reach out to our office.

Sincerely,

Joan Redeen  
Executive Assistant – Communications

cc: Granite County Commissioners

April 7, 2025

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