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SPEED LIMIT CHANGES WELCOME

Independent Member for Nelson, Gerry Wood, says he welcomes the announcement by Minister Styles that there will be a reduction in the speed limit on Gunn Point Road, Howard Springs, between Sittella Road and the Howard River Bridge.

Gerry says he has been calling for this change for a number of years because of the increase in heaving trucks carting sand and gravel at 100km/hr through a residential area. He says that the change by the Department makes good sense and will improve safety.

Gerry says the second change to speed limits proposed is at the corner of the Arnhem Highway and Freds Pass Road, Humpty Doo, where there have been a number of bad accidents after the last couple of years.

He says there will be a section of the highway along this stretch of road where the speed limit will be reduced from 80km/hr to 60km/hr during school opening and closing times. This will be in operation in early February. Other improvements are being considered.

Gerry says he would like to thank students from Taminmin College who lobbied for some changes because they were concerned about the safety of motorists especially students driving to school.

Gerry says he passed those concerns onto the Minister and is pleased the Minister has taken note of the students concerns and put in place a sensible change to improve safety.