Steuben County, Indiana
Traffic Ordinance No. 2149

Whereas the Steuben County Commissioners have caused a traffic study to be made over and along County Road 325 West from State Route 20 to Loon Lake Road, all in Steuben County, Indiana, and whereas, the Steuben County Commissioners have determined it is in the best interest of the health and safety and general welfare of the public traveling over and along County Road 325 West from State Route 20 to Loon Lake Road, all in Steuben County, Indiana, that this facility be declared as NO THRU SEMI-TRUCK & TRAILERS.

Therefore, Be It Ordained That:
County Road 325 West from State Route 20 to Loon Lake Road, all in Steuben County, Indiana, shall be declared as NO THRU SEMI-TRUCK & TRAILERS.

Violations of this ordinance shall be charged by a traffic summons issued by any police officer having traffic enforcement jurisdiction in Steuben County, Indiana. The Prosecuting Attorney for Steuben County, Indiana, is authorized to prosecute any violation. The courts of Steuben County, Indiana, having general traffic jurisdiction shall be empowered to process such charges as violations of the law as are all other traffic violations of the Indiana Code and like penalties shall be imposed as set forth in the Indiana Code for any violation, however, any fine is not to exceed FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS, ($500.00).

This ordinance shall become effective after the third reading and publication of this ordinance as required by law.

Read and passed first reading on: January 5, 2015
Read and passed second reading on: January 5, 2015
Read and passed third reading on: January 5, 2015

STEUBEN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Ronald Smith, President, South District

James Crawl, Middle District

Zynne Liechty, North District

Attest:

Kim Koomler
Steuben County Auditor
Traffic Study on County Road 325 West

A traffic study was initiated by the Steuben County Commissioners on County Road 325 West from State Route 20 to Loon Lake Road. This segment of roadway consists of two 10-foot wide asphalt travel lanes with little to no roadside shoulder.

This traffic study investigates the potential for a ‘No Thru Truck’ zone along County Road 325 West from State Route 20 to Loon Lake Road due to the recent construction and opening of Love’s Travel Plaza on the south side of State Route 20. There have been several semi-trucks utilizing CR 325 West as a travel route when leaving the truck plaza. This increased truck traffic has caused severe damage to the roadway and adjacent utility poles. Several residents have contacted the Highway Department to express concern of the increased travel of semi-trucks along this roadway segment. On December 29, 2014, a semi-truck traveling this route was unable to navigate the narrow and winding road which resulted in the destruction of a utility pole and closing of the roadway for repair.

Based on this investigation, it is therefore recommended that a “No Thru Truck” zone be established along CR 325 W from State Route 20 to Loon Lake Road. See accompanying traffic ordinance #2149.

Performed By:
Steuben County Highway Department
Jennifer L. Sharkey, P.E.
County Highway Engineer

Dated:
January 5, 2015