

AB43 – Speed Limit Setting

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Assembly Bill 43 Speed Limit Setting for Safer Streets

- More flexibility to lower speed limits
 - High injury (severe and fatal) roadways
 - Locations generating high volumes of pedestrians/bicyclists
 - Business Activity Districts
- Caltrans to develop criteria for high injury roadways, high pedestrian/bicyclist generators
 - Provisions become available June 30, 2024, or when Judicial Council develops on-line tool for adjudicating infractions (if earlier)
- Extend Engineering & Traffic Surveys to 14 years



Assembly Bill 43 Business Activity Districts

- 4 traffic lanes, maximum
- 30 mph maximum prior/after new district
- Meets at least 3 of the following:
 - 50% or more of land use consists of retail or dining, opens directly onto sidewalks
 - Traffic control (signals or stop signs) no more than 600' apart
 - Uncontrolled marked crosswalks
 - On-street parking
- New category of prima facie speed limit, similar to school zones



Assembly Bill 43 Eligible Streets for 20 mph

- Evergreen Village Square
- Downtown:
 - Santa Clara St. (Almaden Ave. 5th St.)
 - Almaden Ave (St. John St. Santa Clara St.)
 - Post St. (Market St 1st St)
- Calle Willow: Willow St. (Palm St. Almaden Ave.)
- Japantown: Jackson St. (3rd St. 7th St.)



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