New Posted Speed Limit on Clemens Road

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Motorists traveling along Clemens Road, just west of Athens will soon notice a new posted speed limit. In response to numerous safety concerns, the Sheriff's Office and Road District #4 requested a speed study for an altered speed zone, and the Menard County Board approved, a reduced speed limit to 30 mph. The new speed limit signs will be installed within the next few weeks. County and Road District Officials ask that residents observe to the new speed limit.

The current posted speed limit on West Jackson Street in Athens is 30 mph, however, once outside the city limits the road jurisdiction changes to Road District #4, the road name changes to Clemens Road, and the statutory speed limit is 55 mph. The reduction to 30 mph takes into account the prevailing speed of existing traffic, the number of pedestrians, and the number conflicting driveways and side streets. This new altered speed zone is between Harris Road to the west and the City of Athens to the east. We appreciate your patience while we work toward improved safety conditions at this location.