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## Press Release

**Speed Limit to Increase on I-25 from**

**Albuquerque to Bernalillo**

**Santa Fe** – The New Mexico Department of Transportation will soon increase the speed limit in both directions of Interstate 25 from Tramway to Bernalillo (milepost 235.03 - 242.2) to 75 miles per hour. The current speed limit in this corridor is 70 miles per hour.

An engineering survey and traffic investigation conducted by the NMDOT determined that the speed limit could be safely increased to 75 miles per hour. The survey and investigation looked at numerous factors including traffic volume, lane and shoulder widths, pavement surface and sight distance. The two studies also found that 85% of motorists on this stretch of interstate drive approximately 77 miles per hour.

New Mexico Department of Transportation crews will begin installing the new speed limit signs on Monday. Until they are posted, the speed limit in this area will remain 70 miles per hour.

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