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NEW STOP SIGNS ON OLD HIGHWAY ON PLANTATION KEY

To reduce the often dangerous speeding that occurs along the Old Highway on Plantation Key, the Village Council gave direction to install stop signs at intersections. This direction came at the February 16th meeting of the Village Council; the item was placed on the agenda following frequent discussions of the safety on the Old Highway at recent meetings.

In addition to addressing speeding, the stop signs are intended to address the excessive use of the Old Highway by drivers attempting to avoid heavy traffic on US 1. The stop signs may improve safety for drivers and particularly for people walking, running and biking on the path along the Old Highway. This is considered a pilot program and the safety and effectiveness of the stop signs will be monitored by the Sheriff's Office.

The six new stop signs along the stretch from Schooner Bay Road at approximately MM 90 to MM 87.2 were installed by the Islamorada Public Works Department on Tuesday, March 7th. Stop bars are being painted on the roadway at the new stop sign locations on March 8th. To alert drivers to the new signs, the Sheriff's Office placed an electronic message board at each end of the stretch.

For more information or to submit a comment about the new signs, please contact Public Works Director A.J. Engelmeyer by email to andrew.engelmeyer@islamorada.fl.us or by calling the Public Works office at 305-852-6933.

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