Speed Forum

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The word “speeding” is, perhaps inaccurate and can be a misleading term; “excessive speed” (for existing conditions) would seem to be a more accurate term.

“Speed too fast for conditions” appears to be a major safety issue.
There is a need to define the problems and the terms being discussed.

Understanding what “speed” is or means is a national problem.

Regulatory, posted, prevailing, advisory, 85th percentile, design, relative, average, travel, operating, prima facie, statutory, and other adjectives are used to describe “speed”.
The world of speed limits appears to have divided itself into three (3A) parts:

- (1) Special areas/zones, such as residential, school and work zones
- (2) Arterial and collector roads, and urban expressways and freeways where the speed limits are set on the basis of studies
(3) Rural freeways and expressways where speed limits are more likely to be statutorily established