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RE: Traffic Control Measures Highview Rd. and West Rd.

Dear Town Board members,

On September 12, Supervisor Hansan and I met with Supervisor Goncalves and Chief Alfano from Lewisboro to discuss a few traffic issues, which require the attention and coordination of both Towns. The roads that were discussed were Highview Rd./Ridgefield Ave. and West Rd. The discussion revolved around the increased amount of commuter traffic and commercial traffic respectively on both residential roads. In discussing possible solutions, the discussion moved to the fact that the majority of traffic is being directed to these roads by the various Navigation programs, Waze, Mapquest, Google maps etc. The mutually agreed solution to address the high volume of commuter traffic on Highview Rd./Ridgefield Ave. is to mark both sides with a "No Thru Traffic" sign. The hope is that this prohibition will get the road taken off as a cut thru between Rt 35 and Rt 124 on all the traffic applications.

We discussed West Rd. and have been getting complaints about large commercial trucks using that as a short cut as well. As you all know, this is a small residential road which is even narrower on the Lewisboro side. We have the same expectations with this road for signage in helping with the reduction of commercial traffic. We performed a traffic study on West Road as well, which showed the roadway being used by landscapers, small commercial trucks and a few larger vehicles which we assumed were heading to Grace Farms. As far as West Rd., the goal is to reduce commercial traffic on the roadway by eliminating thru Commercial Traffic. This will still allow deliveries and landscapers to access residences on and off West Road.

Chief Alfano completed a traffic survey to address the volume issue on Highview Rd., which I believe was forwarded to both Town Boards. Hopefully, this strategy has the desired effect with navigation programs, which will have the greatest impact upon traffic on both roadways.

Sincerely,

Thomas D. Mulcahy Chief of Police