INQUIRY INTO SPEED ZONING AND ITS IMPACT ON THE DEMERIT POINTS SCHEME

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Proposal to move the 80km/h speed limit on Pacific Hwy at Korora turnoffs (north of Coffs Harbour) approx 300m to the north to encompass the existing school bus stop on the highway.

Currently the speed limit changes from 100km/h to 80km/h at the Korora turn off, sought of the suburb. The school bus stop on the southband lanes is north of the limit change point, in the 100 km/h zone

Every morning 5-6 school busses are merging into 100km/h traffic, with a relatively short merging lane. This causes the traffic to slow down in rather chaotic manner with some drivers swerving quite suddenly into the right lane to avoid the merging busses, creating potential for chain crashes.

The speed limit changes to 80km/h approx 200m to the south of the bus stop.

I would like to propose the speed limit change from 100 km/h to 80 km/h to be moved 300-400m to the north, around the north turn off to Korora, so that the buss stop is in the 80km/h zone.

The 80km/h zone will only increase by 300-400m and that can't possibly affect the traffic in any significant way.

Instead it will ensure the busses are merging into a slower traffic and drivers will have more time to react to any sudden events on the road to do with the merging busses.

Thank you for considering this proposal