

Andover, CT - Traffic Safety Committee

Lake District - Preliminary Site Visit and Assessment

July 25, 2020



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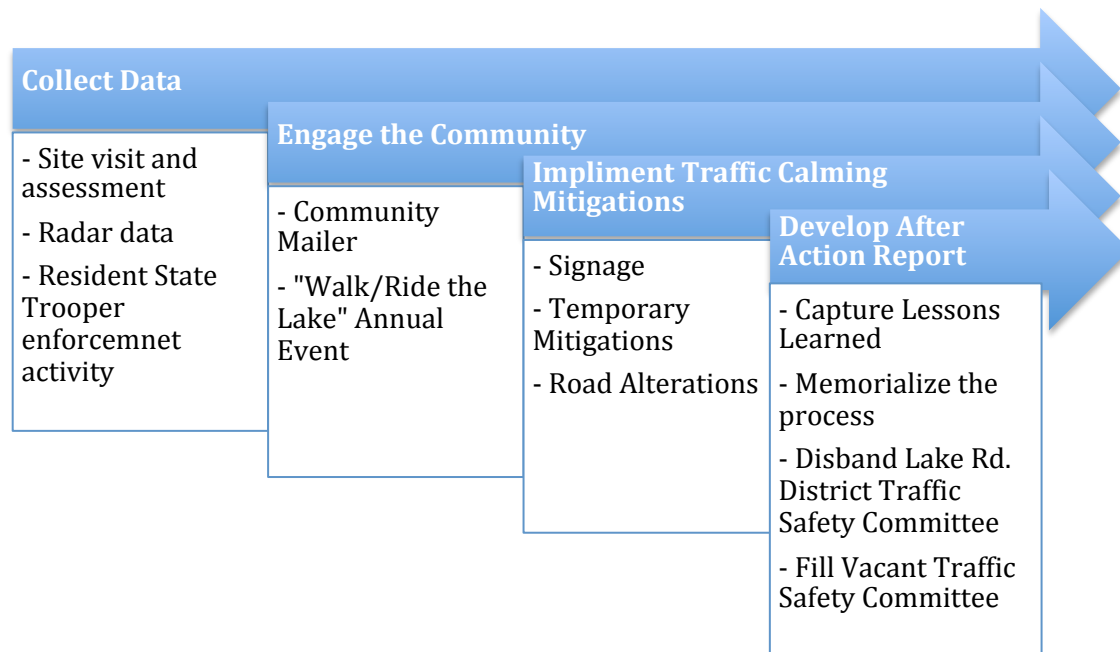
Preface: In May of 2020 a Traffic Safety Committee was formed after a resident on Lake Road in Andover, CT approached the BOS during a regular meeting and presented the issue of prolific speeding that regularly takes place in a 25MPH residential zone with moderate/heavy pedestrian traffic. The agreed upon solution was to form a Traffic Safety Committee comprised of five voting volunteer members who live on different sections of Lake Rd. to include one BOS who also lives on Lake Rd. The Town of Andover agreed to advise through two non-voting members to include the Town Administrator and Resident State Trooper. The Traffic Safety Committee has been tasked to identify a combination of appropriate traffic calming mitigations for the Town of Andover to review, study cost and implement.

Scope: Lake Road, Andover, CT. Immediate connecting roads such as School Road and Lakeside Drive and Island Street.

Mission: Collaboratively preserve the safety of all that travel Lake Road by foot, cycle or automobile.

Goal: Identify and implement appropriate mitigations along Lake Road to calm traffic and reduce the frequency of speeding.

Process:

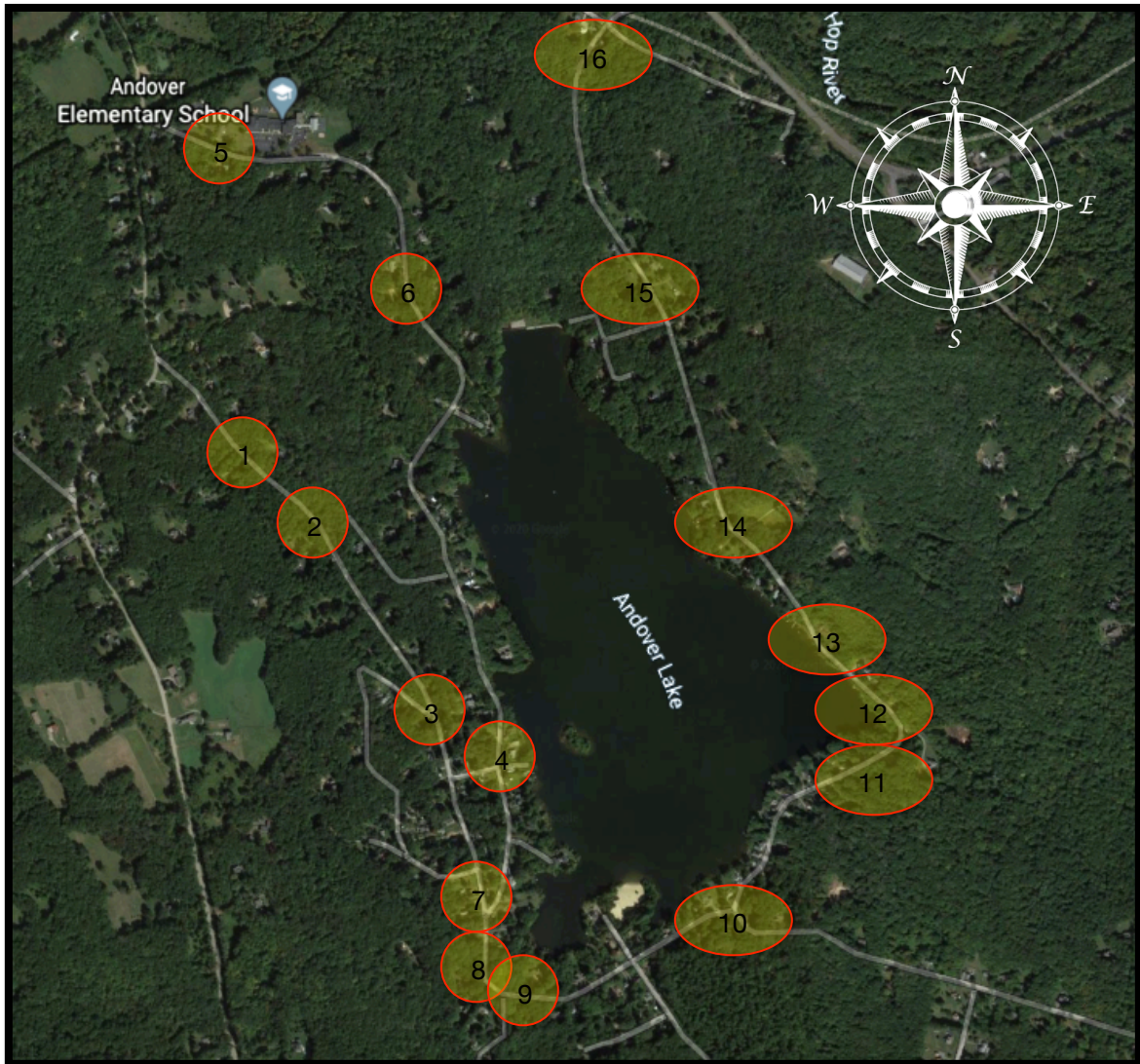


Summary: The following report outlines the outcome from the 7/25/20 preliminary site visit and assessment of Lake Road. The Traffic Safety Committee members and Town Advisors biked Lake Rd. and discussed each area of concern and possible mitigations. These mitigations will be then presented to the BOS for review prior to any action being taken by the Town.

Traffic Safety Committee Members:

- Joseph Godwin – Chairman, Organizer, Voting member
- Deborah Thompson – Organizer, Voting Member
- Steve Willard – Organizer, Voting Member
- Michelle Vale – Organizer, Voting Member
- Jeff Maguire – BOS, Secretary, Organizer, Voting Member
- Eric Anderson – Town Administrator, Organizer, Advisor
- Darrell Tetreault – Resident State Trooper, Organizer, Advisor

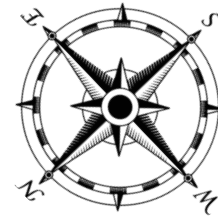
Overview Map:



- Andover Lake and surrounding roads including Lake Road. – (2020, Google Earth)
- Lake Road is approximately 2.8 miles in length
- School Road into Lakeside Drive is approximately 1.5 miles in length

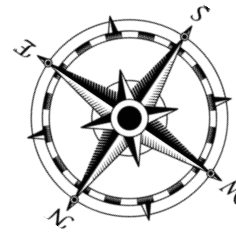
Note: Each highlighted number represents an area in which a suggested traffic calming mitigation exists. All suggested traffic calming mitigations will be presented to the BOS for review.

Area 1



Location	Issue(s)
38 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.722 Longitude: -72.367	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Straight away with no shoulder. - Regular Speeding. - Crossing center.
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Narrow road in between driveways by placing temporary median on center divide. - Create seasonal one-way. 	

Area 2



Location	Issue(s)
57/65/77 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.720 Longitude: -72.366	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Straight away with hazardous shoulder. - Regular Speeding. - Crossing center.
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Narrow road in between driveways by placing temporary median on center divide. - Create seasonal one-way. - Create “Welcome to Lake Andover” Sign on median. 	

Area 3



Location	Issue(s)
128 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.717 Longitude: -72.362	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Downhill approaching stop.- Regular Speeding- Blind turn from Mathieson Drive.
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 3-Way Stop- Traffic Circle- Re-design intersection	

Area 4



Location	Issue(s)
43 Lakeside Drive Andover, CT Latitude: 41.715 Longitude: -72.361	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Blind turn/foot crossing with parked vehicles. - Regular Speeding - Heavily utilized Island St. ALPOA ROW.
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3-Way Stop - Crosswalk - Road Mural / Marker (for all ROW) - ROW # marked on road (for all ROW) - Additional “No Parking” signs to prevent vehicles obstructing turning view. 	

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Area 5



Location	Issue(s)
17 School Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.728 Longitude: -72.369	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Regular Speeding- Heavier local traffic with driveways
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Traffic Circle- Narrow road with “Welcome to Andover Lake” sign in median.	

Area 6



Location	Issue(s)
75 School Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.725 Longitude: -72.363	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Downhill with curves and clear of stops - Regular Speeding - Heavier local traffic with driveways
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Narrow road with seasonal median. - Narrow road with seasonal one-way. 	

Area 7



Location	Issue(s)
193 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.713 Longitude: -72.361	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Frequently ran stop- Frequent speeding
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Traffic circle- Paint wider stop bars- Create road mural	

Area 8



Location	Issue(s)
200 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.713 Longitude: -72.361	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acceleration from stop into blind curve - Frequent speeding - Limited shoulder
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 15 MPH Advisory 	

Area 9



Location	Issue(s)
218 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.711 Longitude: -72.360	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acceleration from stop into blind curve - Frequent speeding - Limited shoulder - Intersection
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 15 MPH Advisory 	

Area 10



Location	Issue(s)
282 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.713 Longitude: -72.354	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Frequent ran stop - Frequent speeding - Limited shoulder - Intersection - Columbia cut-through - Last stop going to Merritt Valley
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Traffic Circle - Center obstruction - “Welcome to Andover Lake” sign in intersection - Paint wider stop bars - Road mural 	

Area 11



Location	Issue(s)
344 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.716 Longitude: -72.351	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Through to Merritt Valley with no stop - Frequent speeding - Limited shoulder - Blind curve downhill
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 15 MPH Advisory 	

Area 12



Location	Issue(s)
363 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.717 Longitude: -72.350	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Frequent speeding- Limited shoulder- Blind curve uphill with driveways
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- 15 MPH Advisory	

Area 13



Location	Issue(s)
385 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.718 Longitude: -72.352	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Frequent speeding - Long ALPOA ROW - Straight away
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Seasonal one-way section along stretch of ALPOA ROW. - Road mural - ALPOA ROW parking 	

Area 14



Location	Issue(s)
420 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.721 Longitude: -72.355	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Frequent speeding- Straight away
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Narrow road with seasonal or permanent median	

Area 15



Location	Issue(s)
509 Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.726 Longitude: -72.357	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Frequent speeding - Leads into curve with no shoulder and blind hill.
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Narrow road with seasonal or permanent median - Create a seasonal one-way section 	

Area 16



Location	Issue(s)
CT Rails to Trails / Lake Road Andover, CT Latitude: 41.731 Longitude: -72.357	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Frequent speeding- Some motorists do not stop at Merritt Valley and proceed through at high speed- Frequent pedestrian trail crossing
Recommendation(s)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Place “Stop for Pedestrians” sign in median- Install speed humps or seasonal speed bumps (for all Andover trail crossings)	