

Traffic Calming on Blueridge Road

Major Concerns

General consensus on speeding as the main issue, poses particular danger for children during PM rush hour.

Proposed Solutions

Speed tables, humps, and chokers are suggested, though no one solution is favored over all others.

CONCERNS	SUGGESTIONS
COMMENT CARD RESPONSES	
-Walking with a child and dog-walking is often dangerous. There are a lot of kids in this neighborhood. - Sidewalks are ideal.	-Sidewalks -Speed humps -Communication with Spring Valley and neighborhoods nearby.
-I think the increased number of small children on one street and everyone is a strong argument for speed controls on Blueridge.	
-I haven't had any concerns yet. We just moved in July.	-I prefer speed tables or speed humps. Other solutions may have a negative impact when I ride a bike or pull a trailer.
-Please add speed table or hump on Blueridge Rd. This way it matches all surrounding neighborhood streets and will cut down on traffic and speeding on Blueridge.	-Speed table or bump.
-Something needs to be done, but there don't seem to be as many speeders as before. -If I had to choose, I'd choose speed tables. -Crosswalk on Hillsborough/Greensboro.	
-Between Aberdeen and Morningside cars speed up.	-Speed humps and speed tables are my preference.
-Speeding has waxed and waned over the last decade. It has always been a problem, and is close to a peak.	-Whatever is done on Blueridge should provide as strong of a disincentive to speed as the tables on Morningside and Spring Valley.
-Speeding, high traffic density.	-Chokers with a walking path. They are pretty+ don't hurt the cars.
-Traffic (after dark) with no sidewalks. Traffic is too fast. We walk our dog daily after dark.	-Chokers are attractive and less common, therefore more noticeable to car drivers.
-@7AM & 3PM on Blueridge lots of children biking/people driving to work.	-Bumps might be okay but would like other ideas as well. Prefer to skip signs (i.e. children playing) unless they use other tactics as well.
-Much too fast-school buses are the worst culprits.	
-Even with speed bumps- Spring Valley Rd has speeders.	
ONLINE RESPONSES	

We mainly want to get the speed down some and make drivers more considerate of walkers and kids playing. Evening commuters are an issue as that's a time when we are often in the street with our kids - bikes, skateboards etc. The sight lines on Blueridge are an issue due to the curves and hills, but slower speeds should help with that.	I hope that speed tables or the like would do the trick. A stop sign on Blueridge and Morningside might help. Speed tables might work best when situated before some of the hill crests or deepest curves in the road to slow cars down before those problem areas.
speed of car traffic. I needed to remove a tree so I could better see to back out of my driveway. drivers who show no concern for anyone in the street.	only the speed hump (2) on the lower section of blue ridge. concerned about the water drainage near 203 thus the islands will not work. stop signs at morningside blueridge and stop sign at aberdeen court and blueridge. traffic calming signs traffic speed sign near 207 blueridge as that is the downhill lower portion of blueridge
Too fast	Bump or table. At least Two between hillsborough road and morning side
Hi Bergen, thanks for setting this up. I wrote you about Aberdeen Ct before, so I'll just copy & paste this here: Cars coming off Hillsborough onto Blueridge are usually moving fast around the wide corner. It's common for them to keep a lot of that speed to Aberdeen, and then whip around our corner still moving well above 25, right in front of our house. This is particularly true of the employees of the one business at the end of our cul de sac - they're notorious for coming in a hurry to work at various times during the day. We and the other parents on Aberdeen (there are eight kids here, among four households) often discuss it (we've spoken to the business manager as well, and they promised to ask everyone to slow down, but you know how that goes). Long story short, as you are planning the locations for the speed humps (or whichever), please consider placing one somewhere near, but before (south of), the Aberdeen intersection, to enforce that drivers coming off Hillsborough get their speed down before hooking that right.	Based on the powerpoint you showed of various options, speed humps and/or tables look like the obvious choice. They're (presumably) faster to install, they wouldn't interfere with street parking or cyclists, and they slow traffic more effectively than the more expensive options. If they're effective on Morningside and Spring Valley, that seems like good evidence they'd work on Blueridge, too. Chicanes sound impractical for this road - you'd need so many of them. A Mini-circle at the intersections seems very elaborate... and if it only reduces speeds by 11%, that's not very helpful - speeders doing 35 are now doing 31/32. Hardly seems worth it. Chokers look nice, but seem like more expensive, less effective speed bumps - and they block bikes. My feeling is: if there's already a proven approach right there in our subdivision, and it also happens to be the cheapest, easiest, and least obtrusive option, then the choice is simple. Some combination of humps and tables seems best by almost every measure.
speeding and quantity of cars at peak hours.	speed table or choker

Speed. One problem location is where Morningside ends at Blueridge. I propose a three (ALL WAY) way stop there. This would slow traffic at this point. During the summer months, drivers have poor visibility when turning onto Blueridge from Morningside due to the curve in both directions on Blueridge and the foliage that obscures oncoming traffic.	I would like to see sidewalks along Blueridge since there are many people who walk, jog and bike in this neighborhood. Sidewalks certainly would be less intrusive and would actually be a benefit for children and old folks who traverse this busy road. I don't like most of the calming measures but would not object to the hump or table. I would object to any traffic calming project in front of my house.
Traffic goes too fast, especially going to and from Spring Valley neighborhood (I think). There are no traffic calming measures at all on Blue Ridge. My daughter frequently plays with friends on Blue Ridge and cars just zoom by.	I am not sure what will be best- something effective but not too costly. Even a stop sign at Aberdeen would probably be helpful.