



Town of Bowdoinham

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Nicole Briand, Town Manager

Maine Department of Transportation has completed their speed limit determination for Bowdoinham.

Speed Limits

- Route 138 (Main Street) from Pond Road to Preble Road – This 2,500ft section of road is currently 45mph. Both Pond Road and Preble Road are busy intersections. The Post Office is located on Pond Road. There are 50 housing units located on Preble Road, which is a .4 mile dead end road, and the school bus stop is at this intersection. Additionally, the I-295 interchange is located between these two intersections and there are no turning lanes. The Town is requesting this speed limit be reduced to 35mph. – **No change speed remains 45mph.**
- Route 138 (Main Street) from Preble Road to Post Road - This section of road is currently 35mph and the Town is requesting the speed limit be reduced to 25mph in this village area. Preble Road is our gateway to our village area. – **No change speed remains 35mph.**
- Route 138 (Post Road) from Main Street to Center Street - This section of road is currently 45mph and the Town is requesting the speed limit be reduced to 30mph to match Fisher Road at the intersection. Additionally, the Fire Station is located at the intersection of Post Road, Center Street and Millay Road. – **Speed reduced to 35mph.**
- Route 138 (Post Road) from Center Street approximately 1,000ft north - This section of road is currently 45mph and the Town is requesting the speed limit be reduced to 40mph to slow traffic ahead of the fire station and village area. – **No change speed remains 45mph.**
- Center Street and Cemetery Road – These are both .4 mile roads in the village area. The Bowdoinham Community School is located on Cemetery Road. Requested speed limit of 25mph. – **Speed limits set to 25mph.**
- Ridge Road from River Road (Rt 24) to Bowdoinham Recreation Fields – This is a short segment of road close to the Bowdoinham Community School in the village area. Requested speed limit of 25mph. – **Speed limit set to 35mph.**
- Ridge Road from Bowdoinham Recreation Fields approximately 1,000 feet north – This is a 20ft wide roadway approaching the recreation fields and community School. Requested speed limit of 35mph. – **Speed limit set to 35mph.**
- Ridge Road from 1,000 feet north of recreation fields to Richmond Town Line – This is a 20ft wide roadway with gravel shoulders and several blind areas. Requested speed limit of 45mph. – **Speed limit set to 45mph.**
- Route 24 (River Road) – The Town would like to see the 25mph speed limit extended to Wallentine Road and 500ft north of Ridge Road. The Ridge Road intersection is a blind intersection to the north and it is one of the main routes to the community school. The area between Wallentine Road and Brooklyn Bridge is a village area referred to as little Brooklyn with houses (and curb cuts) on both sides of the road, approximately every 100ft on average. Both Wallentine Road and Browns Point Road serve as gateways to the Bowdoinham village area.
 - Lucas Lane to Wallentine Road – **Speed reduced to 35mph.**

- Wallentine to Maily Waterfront Park Entrance – **No change speed remains 35mph.**
- Ridge Road to Browns Point Road – **No change speed remains 35mph.**
- Wallentine Road – This is a gravel, dead end road that is only .38 miles long with a listed speed limit of 45mph. The Town is requesting this speed limit be reduced to 30mph to help reduce the washboarding of the roadway. – **Speed reduced to 35mph.**
- Browns Point Road - This road is currently 45mph and the Town is requesting the speed limit be reduced to 35mph. This road is 20ft wide with gravel shoulders, several blind areas and a one-lane bridge. – **Speed reduced to 40mph.**
- Curtis Farm Road – This is a narrow dirt road; that’s width is restricted under I-295. Requested speed limit of 30mph. – **No speed limit set due to road width, advised to install Narrow Road sign with advisory speed placard.**
- Spear Drive – This is a .18 mile of 18ft dead end road. Requested speed limit of 25mph.
- Hornbeck Cross Road (.15), Pratt Road (.78), Vine Street (.07), Carlson Cross Road (.33), Pioneer Road (.1), ~~Centers Point Road (.76)~~, Stevens Road (.15) and Mallard Lane (.1) – These are all dirt roads; only Hornbeck Cross Road is not a dead-end road. Requested speed limit of 25mph; to help reduce the washboarding of the roads. – **No speed limit set due to road width, advised to install Narrow Road sign with advisory speed placard.**
- Centers Point Road (.76) - – **Speed limit set to 35mph.**

RE: Bowdoinham - Speed Reduction Requests

From Belz, Darryl <Darryl.Belz@maine.gov>

Date Mon 6/15/2026 1:13 PM

To Nicole Briand <nbriand@bowdoinham.com>

Hi Nicole,

MaineDOT has complete its review. The following speed zones are recommended for Commissioner's Record. I will forward you the official speed limits once the Commissioner's Record is signed by all parties.

Town ways:

Wallentine Road (Inventory Road 2300337)

35 MPH

Beginning at the terminus of the town way in Bowdoinham (Node 43567) and extending northwesterly to the junction of Bay Road (Route 24) and Wallentine Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43962), a total distance of 0.39 miles.

Center Point Road (Inventory Road 2301008)

35 MPH

Beginning at the end of Center Point Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43391) and extending northerly to the junction of Brown Point Road and Center Point Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43398), a total distance of 0.93 miles.

Spear Drive (Inventory Road 2301144)

25 MPH

Beginning at the junction of Post Road (Route 138) and Spear Drive in Bowdoinham (Node 44486) and extending easterly to the terminus of the town way in Bowdoinham (Node 44487), a total distance of 0.19 miles.

Center Street (Inventory Road 2300329)

25 MPH

Beginning at the junction of Center Street, Millay Road and Post Road (Route 138) in Bowdoinham (Node 43599) and extending southerly to the junction of Center Street, Backhill Street and Main Street (Route 125) in Bowdoinham (Node 43410), a total distance of 0.40 miles.

Cemetery Street (Inventory Road 2300472)

25 MPH

Beginning at the junction of Cemetery Street and Ridge Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43406) and extending westerly to the junction of Cemetery Street and Center Street in Bowdoinham (Node 43409), a total distance of 0.39 miles.

Ridge Road (Inventory Road 2300323)

25 MPH

Beginning at the junction of Ridge Road and River Road (Route 24) in Bowdoinham (Node 43405) and extending northerly to the junction of Ridge Road and Cemetery Street in Bowdoinham (Node 43406), a total distance of 0.16 miles.

Ridge Road (Inventory Road 2300323)

35 MPH

Beginning at the junction of Ridge Road and Cemetery Street in Bowdoinham (Node 43406) and extending northerly to a point 0.30 miles north of the junction of Ridge Road and Cemetery Street in Bowdoinham (Node 43406), a total distance of 0.30 miles.

Ridge Road (Inventory Road 2300323)

45 MPH

Beginning at a point 0.30 miles north of the junction of Ridge Road and Cemetery Street in Bowdoinham (Node 43406) and extending northerly to the Bowdoinham/Richmond town line (Node 43573), a total distance of 5.47 miles.

Browns Point Road (Inventory Road 2300322)

40 MPH

Beginning at a point 0.46 miles east of the junction of Browns Point Road and Stevens Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43396) and extending westerly to the junction of Browns Point Road and River Road (Route 24) in Bowdoinham (Node 43966), a total distance of 2.62 miles.

Route 24:

35 MPH

Beginning at a point 0.47 miles north of the junction of Bay Road (Route 24) and Lucas Lane in Bowdoinham (Node 44410) and extending northerly to a point 0.03 miles northwest of the junction of River Rd (Route 24), Bay Rd (Route 24), and Main St Extension in Bowdoinham (Node 43570), a total distance of 0.45 miles.

25 MPH

Beginning at a point 0.03 miles northwest of the junction of River Rd (Route 24), Bay Rd (Route 24), Main St Extension in Bowdoinham (Node 43570) and extending northwesterly, then easterly to a point 0.05 miles east of the junction of River Rd (Route 24) and Ridge Rd in Bowdoinham (Node 43405), a total distance of 0.33 miles.

35 MPH

Beginning at a point 0.05 miles north of the junction of River Road (Route 24) and Ridge Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43405) and extending northerly to a point 0.05 miles north of the junction of River Road (Route 24) and Browns Point Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43966), a total distance of 0.50 miles.

Route 138:

45 MPH Zone

Beginning at the junction of Augusta Road (Route 201) and Post Road (Route 138) in Bowdoin (Node 44041) and extending northerly to the western junction of Route 125 and Route 138 in Bowdoinham (Node 43566), a total distance of 1.32 miles.

45 MPH Zone

Beginning at the westerly junction of Pond Road (Route 125) and Main Street (Route 138) in Bowdoinham (Node 43566) and extending easterly to a point 0.10 miles east of the junction on Main Street (Route 138) and Preble Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43597), a total distance of 0.58 miles.

35 MPH Zone

Beginning at a point 0.10 miles east of the junction of Main Street (Route 138) and Preble Road in Bowdoinham (Node 43597) and extending easterly to the junction of Main Street (Route 125) and Post Road (Route 138) in Bowdoinham (Node 43598), a total distance of 0.35 miles.

45 MPH Zone

Beginning at the junction of Post Road (Route 138), Millay Road and Center Street in Bowdoinham (Node 43599) and extending northerly to the junction of Post Road (Route 138) and Main Street (Route 197) in Richmond (Node 44054), a total distance of 6.69 miles.

35 MPH

Beginning at the easterly junction of Post Road (Route 138) and Main Street (Route 125) in Bowdoinham (Node 43598) and extending northerly to the junction of Post Road (Route 138), Millay Road and Center Street in Bowdoinham (Node 43599), a total distance of 0.31 miles.

MaineDOT is unable to post speed limits of roadways less than 18 feet with two-way traffic. The recommendation for the following roadways would be to install "NARROW ROAD" with Advisory Speed Placard.

- Curtis Farm Road
- Hornbeck Cross Road
- Pratt Road
- Vine Street
- Carlson Cross Road
- Pioneer Road
- Stevens Road
- Mallard Lane

Darryl

From: Nicole Briand <nbriand@bowdoinham.com>

Sent: Friday, April 18, 2025 3:32 PM

To: Belz, Darryl <Darryl.Belz@maine.gov>

Subject: Bowdoinham - Speed Reduction Requests

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Hello Darryl,

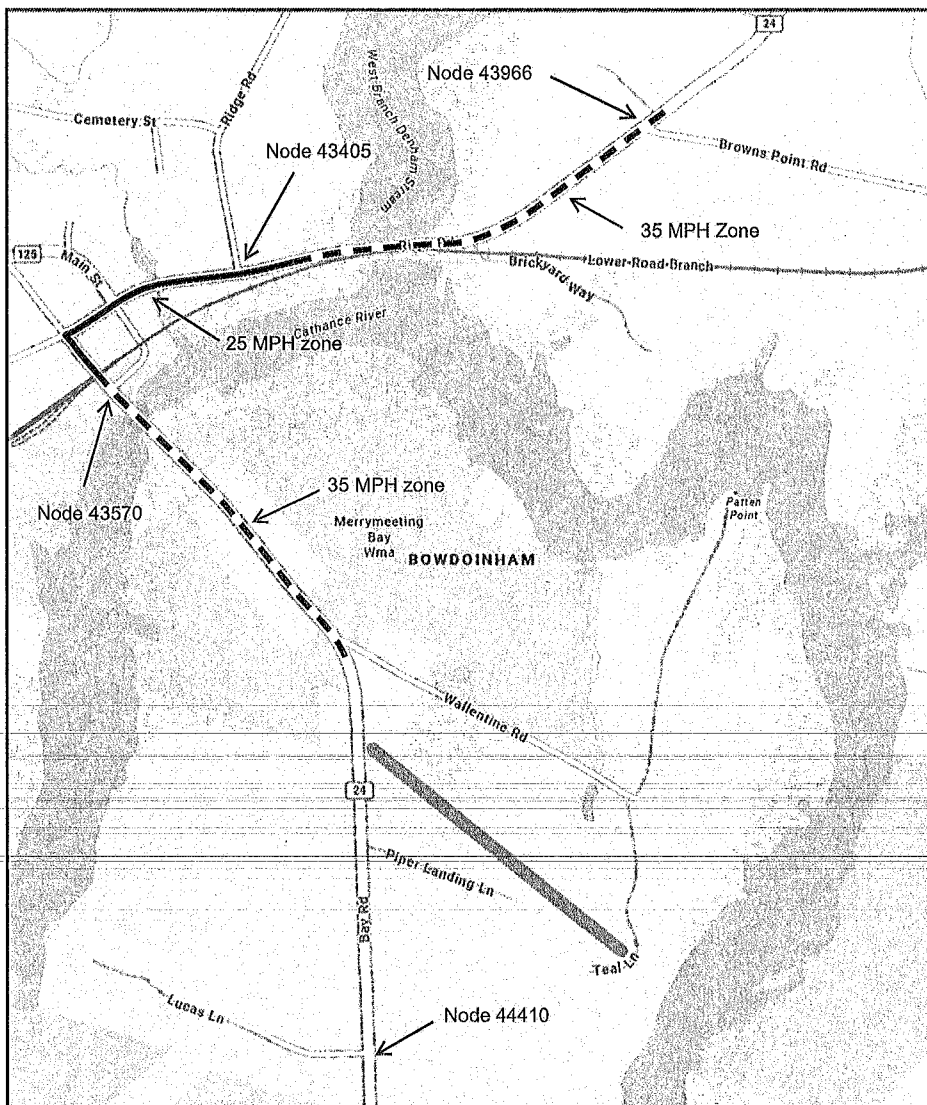
I've attached the Bowdoinham's speed limit requests for your consideration, along with a copy of our Walkable Village Plan.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

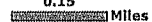
Thank you,

Nicole Briand
Town Manager
Town of Bowdoinham

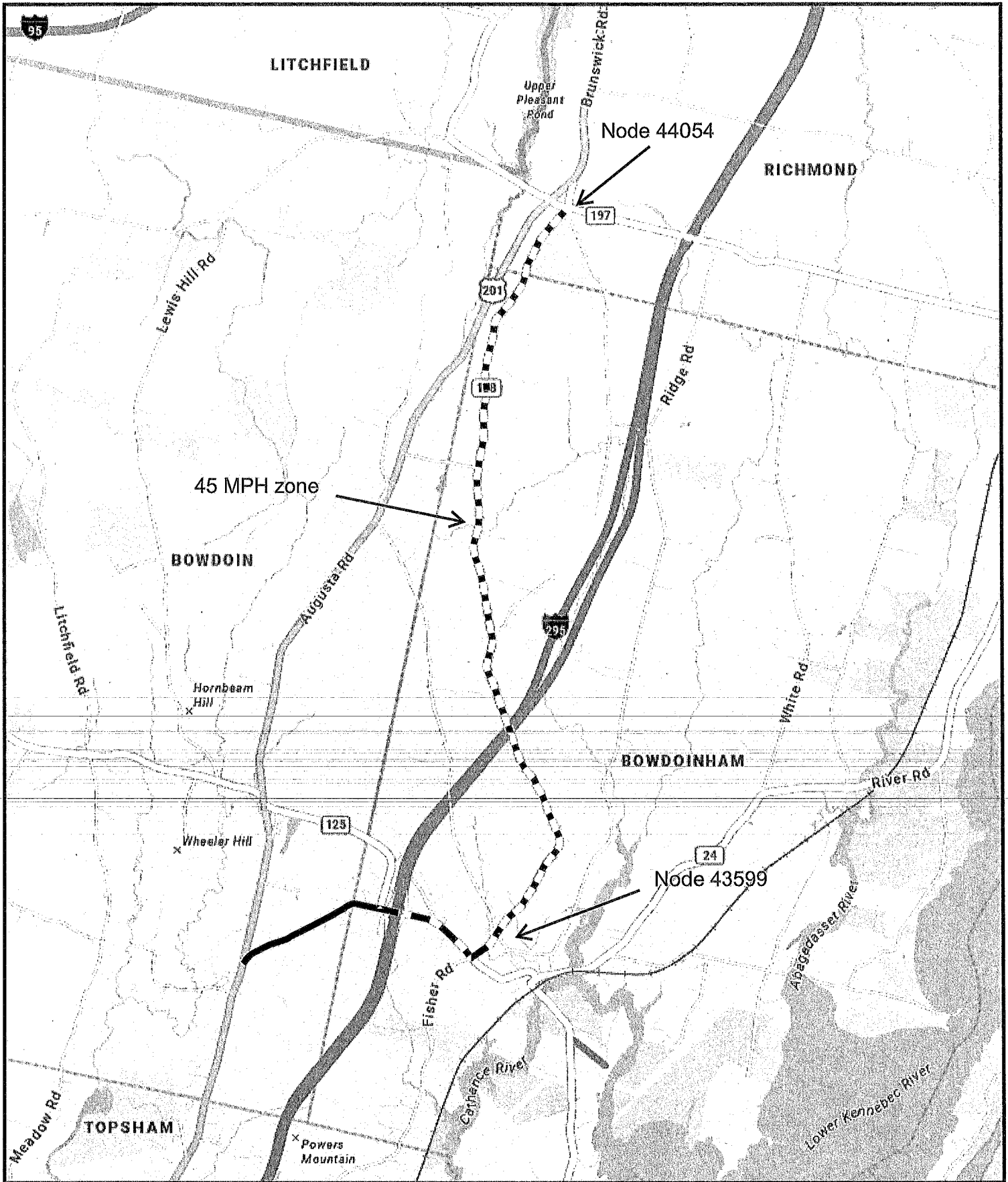
BOWDOINHAM - ROUTE 24



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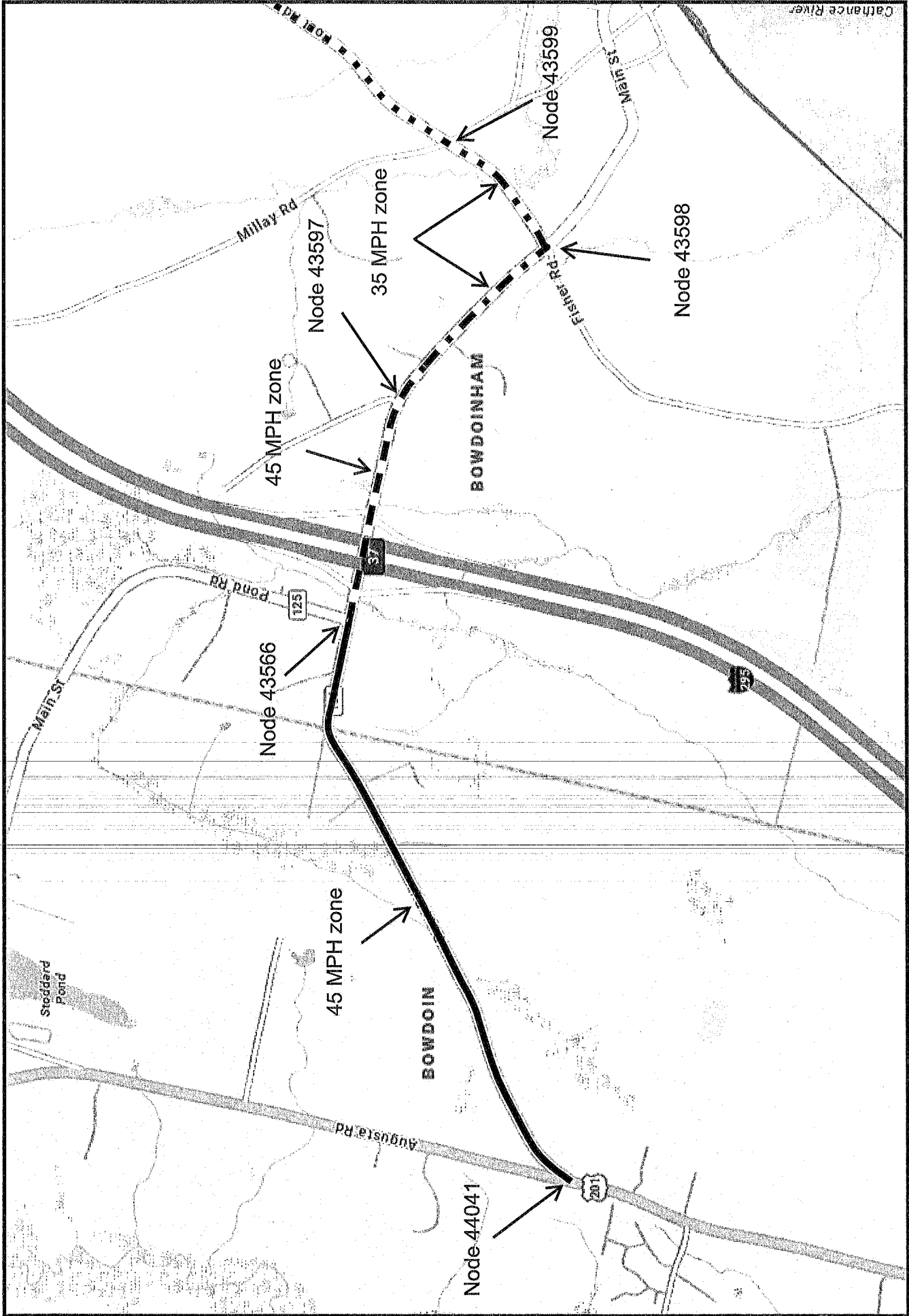
BOWDOINHAM - ROUTE 138 (SECTION 2)



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BOWDOINHAM - ROUTE 138 (SECTION 1)



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