

North Ambergris Caye Road Assessment

For San Pedro Town Council

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12 page report - North of Bridge assessed Sept 5, 2021

6 point Grading System - Physical problems and recommendations.

- 0 = No actions required 1 = Needs signage or lighting but satisfactory
- 2 = Unsatisfactory, needs one or more actions to remedy the condition
- 3 = More severe 2 or more actions needed
- 4 = Dangerous situation needs more than one action
- 5 = Extremely dangerous needs actions immediately

Total places assessed 13 - No 0s, three 1s one 2, four 3s, and four 4s.

Assessment Notes:

Speed "Humps" have a variety of different types of signs and markings, and need to be standardised. 5 Speed "bumps' need to be removed and replaced by humps, as they are dangerous and engineered for parking lots, not public roadways.

There are nany blind corners with no place for pedestrians to walk except directly in the roadway. A painted yellow line in these areas indicating no passing is recommended.

Passing and weaving through traffic is an issue across the island, the safe passing rule needs to be defined, published, and enforced. Especially for local drivers, including taxis.

Speed limits are not enforced, though a bit of a challenge, painted lines, and a stopwatch is an inexpensive method, most any traffic police or other official can be trained and certified.

Due to the frequency of people driving on the wrong side of the road, consider making all speed bump signage double-sided. Most durable bump marking still needs to be decided.

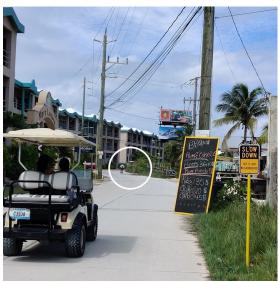
Physical Location Problem areas North of Bridge:

Area 1: Severity - 4

Location - Mara Laguna.

Problem - Blind corner.

Recommendation - Machete and clear 10 ft from the road of vegetation starting at the Farmhouse entry till well after the corner.





Area 2: Severity - 3

Location - Mara Laguna.

Problem - Drainage hazards causing accidents.

Recommendation - Fill without compromising their purpose.

Use coarse sand glass mulch from San Pedro Recycling or pea gravel.





Area 3: Severity - 2

Location - Castle House.

Problem - Blind corner and no safe pedestrian walking area. Recommendation - Sidewalk. The eastside of the entire north road from the bridge past Grand Caribe should be a designated walkway, paved or not, should be cleared and kept clear.



Area 4: Severity - 2 or 3

Location - Just south of Crocs old North Ambergris Police Station area.

Problem - Blind corner.

Recommendation - Vegetation trim 10 foot minimum inside corner west side of the road, should be more.



Area 5: Severity - 3

Location - Pur

Problem - Wrong kind of speed bumps and location. Narrow roadway forces all pedestrians, animals, etc. onto the road, no walkway along the road, especially Eastside.

Recommendation - Crosswalk style cement speed bump that provides a safer walkway from parking to the restaurant/hotel (move speed bump to the entrance of PUR walkway).



Area 6: Severity - 1
Location - Just north of Truck Stop
Problem - Sign and no speed bump.
Recommendation - Take sign down.



Area 7: Severity - 1

Location - South of Ak'bol

Problem - Blind corner, no pedestrian walk.

Recommendation - Clear walkway along east side of the road.



Area 8: Severity - 1

Location - North of Ak'bol

Problem - Needs proper speed bump with standardised signage. Or Walkway along the roadside.

Recommendation - Make this multi functional by adding sidewalks and a crosswalk speed bump.



Area 9: Severity - 1 Location - Grand Caribe Problem - Better lighting and speed bump markings. Recommendation - Stain or paint and add adequate lighting.



Area 10: Severity - 3

Location - Vics Karaoke Bar

Problem - Broken road

Recommendation - Full area needs restoration.



Area 11: Severity - 4

Location - Anglers Cove

Problem - Damaged road forcing traffic to the wrong side of the road.

Recommendation - Replace road sections.





Area 12: Severity - 4

Location - Just north of Anglers Cove.

Problem - Damaged road forcing traffic to the wrong side of the road.

Recommendation - Replace road sections.



Area 13: Severity - 4

Location - North of Cocotal Inn.

Problem - Broken Rode forces traffic to drive on the wrong side. Recommendation - Replace road sections.



Area 14: Severity - 4

Location - South of El Pescador.

Problem - Forces 2 wheel and 4 wheeled traffic into the wrong side of the road.

Recommendation - Replace road sections.



Area 15: Severity - 1

Location - South end of El Pescador

Problem - Speed hump needs more visible markings.

Recommendation - Decent quality hump, needs lighted signs.

Paint bump with yellow markings or stain the concrete reflectors.



Area 16: Severity - 4

Location - El Pescador area.

Problem - Damaged road near Capricorn Restaurant.

Recommendation - Replace road section.



Area 17: Severity - 3

Location - Captain Morgan's north.

Problem - Wrong kind of speed bump design, no light, no signage. Replace.

Recommendation - Crosswalk style speed bump with standardised signage and lighting.



Area 18: Severity - 1

Location - Wyndham Grand.

Problem - Model speed calming hump 4 inches high 4 ft wide 24-inch ramps. (Flat top like Island City prefered model over rounded top.)

Recommendation - Needs marking and lighting as possible.



Area 19: Severity - 3

Location - Tipsy Lobster close to Belizean Shores

Problem - Two hazard bumps need to be safer, crosswalk-style ones. No lights, poorly visible.

Recommendation - Replace with correct hump and markings.



