

Pasco CTST – December 13, 2022

Meeting started at 1:35 pm

I. Welcome and Introductions were made.

II. Minutes Approved

- October minutes were approved.

III. Old Business

Group reviewed the Problem Location sheet.

1. **Gator Lane @ US 41:** A RSA was completed. Lighting is coming soon on the other side. Duke, Mr. Enrique, received the estimate. Options include eliminating the center median or adding another entrance on the north side of the high school.
2. **Little Road and Rye Street:** Jeff stated he will ask Venkat about this location. The end goal is the corridor, but they do not have enough funding, however, they can work on the intersection.
3. **SR 54 and Collier Parkway:** They are working on a corridor study from Collier Parkway to US 41. There is a speed and lighting issue. They are looking at alternatives.
4. **Bellamy Brothers Boulevard:** Group discussed the “curve” signage needed at Johnston Road. They mentioned they are looking at countermeasures for this area. Mike will check with Bill to see where the signs are. Lt. Rux stated there is no place for law enforcement to safely pull off the road. The shoulders aren’t maintained on the whole stretch of Bellamy Brothers Boulevard. Discussion followed. Mike mentioned adding millings to the shoulders. Tina stated she would get with Margaret and others to see what can do be done about this. Discussion followed.
5. **Ridge Road and Leo Kidd Avenue:** No update.
6. **US 19 and Bay Boulevard:** No update. The group mentioned shutting down the left turn lane.

The group discussed two other locations:

- SR 52 at Hicks Road. This is a follow up from the previous meeting. They discussed that this location has a solid red and the phasing is different at this location than others. There has been a reduction in crashes and Tina will gather the numbers.
- US 41 at Powell Road. This location is in Hernando County but the group discussed that at this location, with a left yellow arrow, a fatal crash occurred. Members recommended changing the signal to a red arrow. There have been many crashes at this location.

IV. New Business

Education

Brentin Mosher (CUTR): Stated he didn’t have much to add; he was still conducting on street education along US 19. He continues to distribute bike lights.



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Mike Zinn (FDOT): Discussed the car fit program to the group. He mentioned there is a car fit class coming up in St. Cloud, if anyone is interested. He's trying to schedule a class in Pasco County and the surrounding areas. Discussion followed.

The group had a discussion on flashing yellows.

Enforcement

No update. Tina stated she will be setting up a meeting with Lt. Rux.

Engineering

Tina Russo (PC MPO): Discussed the public workshop for the Orange Belt Trail. She stated they have funding for a short segment of trail. There were +150 attendees at the workshop. They are also looking at funding options for Wire Road. The group discussed Shady Hills.

Crash Statistics

Tina Russo (PC MPO): She displayed the target areas for the Pasco MPO. She also discussed the 85 fatalities on the Fatal Crash Map.

Mike Zinn (FDOT): Thanked the FHP for the traffic details on SR 54 in the work zones.

V. Calendar Updates / Activity Reports

N/A

VI. Fatality Tracking

N/A

VII. SRTS Updates

N/A

VIII. Open Forum/Announcements

Mike Zinn (FDOT): He spoke about the upcoming Mega Meeting which is tentatively set for May 2023. He inquired from everyone their ideas about the meeting and venues. The group discussed the Stop the Bleed class and how that might be beneficial at the meeting.

Kelly Funk (PC MPO): She asked about midblock crosswalks and finding other alternatives routes. A group discussion followed.

The next meeting is February 22nd at 1:30 pm and it is a virtual meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 3:02 pm

Meeting Attendees: Kelly Funk, Tania Gorman, John Koors, Jeffrey Moncalian, Brentin Mosher, Carl Mikyska, Justin Reck, Tina Russo, Jacqueline Rux, Laura Schaediger, Daniel Villano, Mike Zinn

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1	May 2019	<p>Gator Lane @ US 41</p>  <p>https://goo.gl/maps/tCDZaZaTTN9S5NsQ8</p>	Mike Zinn/ Venkat V.	12/22		<p>Visibility/lighting issue with the Gator Lane @ US 41 crosswalk at Land O' Lakes High School. Zinn – it has good/active ped signals. The school board is aware of the problem. Venkat made observations of the site. Asked if signal guys to suggest some changes to the intersection. These suggested changes were sent to FDOT to get approved. Signal timing was approved. Venkat will reach out to power companies. Sending in work order to get cost estimate. Probably have them by the end of the year. Venkat reached out to Withlacoochee River Electric Coop (WRE) and they're good to go. Locations were identified and poles should be in before/by September. Venkat reached out to WRE and they should be doing their final locations within a week or so. Hopefully in a month, you'll be able to see the lighting. Venkat sent WRE the as-builts for the intersection. It will be about 6 weeks until there are lights and poles at this location. Venkat is going to send an email WRE regarding the as-builts. Venkat said Mike could coordinate with them on the final locations of the poles to install the lights. Venkat stated he copied Mike on the email. Mike has not heard from anyone since the email a couple of months ago. Mike asked one of the safety guys to get involved in this. He is now in contact with WRE and currently they are out there trying to determine locations. They are running into some wet issues, but they are going to go out there and see what they can adjust. Mike stated they are working with WRE and Progress Energy on this. Mike and several others had a meeting with WRE. Mike gave Emmeth Duran the go-ahead to get in touch with Duke Energy. Venkat stated he sent the information to FDOT yesterday for approval. Mike stated they are waiving the permits for these projects. There is queueing at this location. Tina mentioned there was talk about extending the right turn lane to alleviate queueing issues. There are issues with Withlacoochee River Electric Coop being on one side and Duke being on the other side. They are waiting for an agreement to be completed. Mike stated that they received an email from Duke letting him know that they can combine the Duke designs into one. Duke is still in the design section, and nothing has been heard on the rec</p>

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						<p>side. They haven't heard anything about the right turn lane. Venkat is copied into the email. Venkat said that Withlacoochee reached out to him and said that on the westside corner, they are going to see if they can install the lighting on the mast arm because of right of way and other conflicts. Venkat will refer Withlacoochee to the FDOT Signal Department. He has a meeting with them tomorrow. He hopes to get a finalized schedule by the end of the week. Jeffrey, with Pasco County, said that Rich, with WRE, was waiting to speak to FDOT to approve putting the extra wood poles for the lights where they needed to, FDOT said to do what needs to be done. Per Venkat, Rich already to FDOT for the permit. Venkat will get the information and will forward it to Chad Stewart so they can put it through fast. Mike mentioned that the permits were approved for Duke to get started on their part of the project. The poles will be going up over the next couple of weeks. Venkat stated the Withlacoochee portion was completed. Mike Zinn stated that is Duke strained due to the storm. Permit was approved, but he couldn't get a date when a crew could go out. Half of the intersection is lit, the east side.</p> <p>A RSA was completed. Lighting is coming soon on the other side. Duke, Mr. Enrique, received the estimate. Options include eliminating the center median or adding another entrance on the north side of the high school.</p>
2	Sept 2019	Little Road & Rye Street 	Venkat V. <i>(Glenny originally brought to the mtg.)</i>	2/22		<p>A 16-yr-old was hit on Little Road in late September. The area is very dark (no lighting) and kids do not use a crosswalk when crossing the street. (9/19) Venkat is trying to make lighting a priority in Pasco County. He and his staff are working on a list of corridors that need lighting. Venkat has even brought this up to the School Board about implementing additional school lighting. They recently finished ranking the prioritization data. Cost benefit analysis will be completed in the next couple of weeks. Venkat followed up on this with a list of streets without signalized intersections. He will be sending this to FDOT's Consultant to submit applications. Working with FDOT and JMT on a LAP Agreement. Venkat</p>



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		https://goo.gl/maps/JPitDdt6YFZ2nga68				<p>promised by the end of today, he would send Peter Hsu the dollar amount associated with the lighting on several roadways. Venkat stated he knows this is on the list with FDOT (under LAP) and hopefully when the LAP comes through, they will see this segment for lighting this fiscal year. They will be working with local utility companies so these will have a fast-paced approach. Venkat stated he had a recent meeting with FDOT and this location was part of the overall discussion. Regarding the timeline, it could be until fiscal year 2022 until this starts moving. However, PC will look at the intersection and see if there is any way they can add the intersection lighting immediately. Venkat will have an update at the next CTST meeting. Venkat stated they are working with both Duke Energy and Withlacoochee River Electric. Venkat stated they are working with the JPA for the next year on this. Venkat is working the intersection lighting at this location. This should be complete in the next 60 days. Venkat stated they added this to the prioritization list. FDOT is working on the JPA. Venkat stated the JPA's are in and going to the Board in February. He is waiting on funds from FDOT. Peter stated that there are lighting issues and the JPA can't be created without the project number from FDOT. No update other than that they have to wait on the FDOT and local agency program for the Little Road lighting. By next CTST meeting they can give a timeline on whether it's going to be corridor or intersection lighting. Venkat had no update. He asked Jeff to make a note that they, Pasco County, could do the intersection lighting, if they need to. Jeffrey said there is already a light there about 10 feet in on Rye Street and that it illuminates pretty good. Venkat said that Withlacoochee can add one or two to the existing poles. Venkat asked Jeffery to get the photometrics done in-house. Venkat has no update. Pasco County finished the photometrics. They will send it to Withlacoochee for the next step. Venkat stated that Pasco County's portion is complete. No date for implementation. Jeff stated he will ask Venkat about this location. The end goal is the corridor, but they do not have enough funding, however, they can work on the intersection.</p>

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3	Aug 2021	SR 54 and Collier Parkway  https://goo.gl/maps/kZCXi7d8bn5bCQnM7	Peter Hsu/ Emmeth Duran	8/22		<p>Peter stated that he received an email from a concerned citizen/police officer, regarding the lighting on SR 54 and Collier Parkway. They discussed how very dark at night this intersection is and how lighting would be beneficial. The citizen stated that the traffic volume is high throughout the day/night. The citizen states the speed limit is 45 MPH but visually can see that people are going faster than that. The citizen said a speed trailer out there could help capture the excessive speeds. The citizen stated a light in-between Collier Parkway at Parkway Boulevard and Collier Parkway at Killington Boulevard would help with speeding. Venkat stated they will be adding intersection lighting. Withlacoochee is behind, Venkat's portion is complete. Discussion followed. Mike mentioned adding the speed feedback sign out there. FDOT is working on lighting the corridor, through push button contracts. Discussion followed. Venkat wasn't at the meeting. Tina stated she would email Dan F. at the Pasco Sheriff's Office. This project will turn into a Pasco County project. Concept plans were completed years ago. Discussion followed regarding speeding on SR 54. Mike discussed the upcoming geofencing campaigns. Lt. Rux discussed the speeding issues on SR 54 and they issued several DUIs, a couple weekends ago, in the Sunlake/Suncoast area. Venkat said they are working on SR 54; he will look at the current JPA to see if this area is included. If it isn't included, they can push this as a stand-alone intersection project. He stated he would with Mike and Peter on this. Group stated there are lighting issues at this location. The County is ready to do improvements and plans for a signal are in place to the south of this location. They want to put speed feedback signs but there needs to be justification; Mike needs the justification to get them. Tina said she would assist with this. Mike and Tina are going to work on a corridor study. They are adding intersection lighting on Collier Parkway at Parkway Boulevard and Dupree Lakes Boulevard. Venkat completed everything on their side including funding, signals, etc. They are waiting for the utility company to install. They initiated two work orders for intersection street lighting. The speed feedback signs are not needed.</p>

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						<p>Tina mentioned they are looking at working with the County on this intersection.</p> <p>They are working on a corridor study from Collier Parkway to US 41. There is a speed and lighting issue. They are looking at alternatives.</p>
4	Feb 2022	<p>Bellamy Brothers Boulevard</p>  <p>https://goo.gl/maps/rkP444hE5bUGNtax5</p>	Peter Hsu / Mike Zinn / Lt. Rux / Tina Russo	12/22		<p>The lack of lighting was discussed. This location may possibly have future resurfacing and edging work completed. Peter mentioned utilizing reflective pavement markings (the peel and stick kind) but they would need to clean the pavement first. He said he can purchase RPM's and it takes approximately a month to get. This would increase lighting in the area. Discussion followed. Rux asked about standing chevrons and Mike responded that they could get LED backlit chevrons, but they must get the order in before the end of the fiscal year; and the budget is diminishing. Tina would help with this. Venkat has done a lot with speed feedback signs and chevrons to the south of St. Joe Road. The next curve to the north is an issue. There have been two motorcycle fatalities that occurred to the north. FDOT is willing to supply safety funds for different options on Bellamy Brothers Boulevard. There are no plans for repaving at the moment. Venkat will get the specifics after this meeting. Mike asked for a "CURVE AHEAD" sign with the appropriate arrows. Venkat said the striping can be done in house. Mike asked for an inventory so that the items can be ordered. Mike asked for RPMs on the edge lines. Venkat will ask but will have to see if they have the pay item and the budget. This area is further north, and anything would help. Group mentioned potential ideas which included chevrons, and RPMs on chevron line. Venkat sent in a request for the lighted chevrons which Bill Riha gave a work order for. Once received, they will install them at the northern location. Venkat sent the request in for additional lighted chevrons for the intersection of Hicks Road and New York Avenue. They did photometrics at the four intersections of Bellamy Brothers Boulevard which they have to send to Withlacoochee. They did a lighting</p>



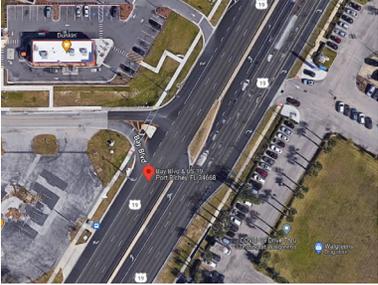
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						<p>intersection project along three locations on Bellamy Brothers which they already sent to Withlacoochee River Electric Coop (WRE). They know the timeline and will get the intersection lighting done. Tina may want to go out in field when they put them out there to take pictures. Tina said that there is a proposed development going in at Bellamy Brothers Boulevard at the end of Bent Fork Road. They need to make sure access management is addressed with that development. Tina is concerned with traffic coming in at that curve. Venkat spoke to Bill Riha regarding procuring equipment. Hopefully they get it fast so that they can install it. There is nothing they can do except installation of the curve signs when they receive the materials. Mike said that the signs have been ordered. Some part of the solar panels is backordered. Mike said that there is cracking in the pavement. Venkat said that it is in the resurfacing program, but not for the next couple of years. Mike suggested to extend the shoulder on the curve. Venkat said that they are adding paved shoulders along the entire length. The safety edge tool may be used. They will get back to Melissa and Mike regarding the order. There is lighting now at the four intersections. They are prioritizing run off the road crashes. Lt. Rux said it would be helpful if the grass could get mowed; the grass is approximately 3-feet tall. Venkat will put in a request to Public Works to do mowing more frequently. Rux is having difficulty pulling people over because of the grass. Melissa asked about the safety edge tool. Venkat talked to public works. He said it is easier to implement the safety edge tool with a resurfacing project. Mike spoke with Bill and the signs have been ordered. The lighting is complete. Venkat stated if you look at the crash data, the crashes that are occurring all are going over the speed limit. Discussed law enforcement pulling people over, but there is no safe spot to do this. Venkat stated the County is looking at adding the safety edges on the roadway because they currently do not have shoulders. Mike mentioned some special pavement markings saying “curve ahead.” Venkat said all the new signs in the County will be installed by traffic department. They will coordinate with Mike on any new</p>

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						<p>signs. Discussion followed about adding the special pavement markings and justification. Tina brought up the bright sticks and if they can start adding them. Mike is working on getting them and asked Venkat to let him know.</p> <p>Group discussed the “curve” signage needed at Johnston Road. They mentioned they are looking at countermeasures for this area. Mike will check with Bill to see where the signs are. Lt. Rux stated there is no place for law enforcement to safely pull off the road. The shoulders aren’t maintained on the whole stretch of Bellamy Brothers Boulevard. Discussion followed. Mike mentioned adding millings to the shoulders. Tina stated she would get with Margaret and others to see what can do be done about this. Discussion followed.</p>
5	Aug 2022	Ridge Road and Leo Kidd Avenue  https://goo.gl/maps/ZwNqcgifZW1ALgrf8	Venkat V. / Jeffrey (PC)	10/22		<p>At Ridge Road and Leo Kidd Avenue there are a lot of left turn crashes. They would like to conduct an RSA at this location. Tina stated she will look into this.</p> <p>No update.</p>

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6	Aug 2022	US 19 and Bay Boulevard  https://goo.gl/maps/qqWNcVRBzQ9GmPV3A	Venkat V. / Jeffrey (PC)	10/22		<p>At US 19 and Bay Boulevard, there is also a lot of left turn crashes. This location has lighting issues; it is unlit.</p> <p>No update. Mike mentioned adding guide skips at this area. Venkat said he would do a field visit. Tina stated she will look at the crash reports.</p> <p>No update. The group mentioned shutting down the left turn lane.</p>