

### Pasco CTST – January 28, 2026

Meeting started at 1:32pm

#### I. **Welcome and Introductions were made.**

#### II. **Meeting Dedication**

Christina Boulnois (Lochner): Christina opened the meeting with the monthly dedication, highlighting January's Move Over Month safety campaign and emphasizing the ongoing effort to reduce traffic fatalities and serious injuries. She recounted a February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025, crash in which a speeding driver traveling 70–75 mph in a 45-mph zone failed to slow down for a southbound Fire Rescue truck on Little Road, resulting in a severe angle collision that disabled both vehicles. Despite the crash, the driver remained on FaceTime throughout the incident, even during rescue efforts, requiring emergency personnel to physically move the phone to assess injuries. Although the situation was dangerous and preventable, injuries were fortunately minor, with the Fire Rescue driver transported to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

#### III. **Minutes Approved**

- December minutes were approved.

#### IV. **Old Business**

1. **SR 56 from Meadow Point Boulevard to US 301** – Jeffrey Moncalian stated that he believes this location was dropped back to just being on Bruce B Downs Boulevard from S.R. 54 to S.R. 56.
2. **Daughtery Road and US 301** – Eric Henry reported that the new traffic signal planned for the U.S. 301 and Wire Road intersection is expected to begin construction around March of this year, with completion anticipated by the fall, according to the project manager. He noted that this location should remain on the group's long-term problem location list to observe whether construction activity contributes to any increase in crashes and to evaluate conditions after the signal is installed. In response to Christina Boulnois' question about whether a pre-installation safety or signal warrant study had been completed, Eric confirmed that at least a signal warrant analysis should exist and offered to obtain it for the group.

Christina Boulnois (Lochner): Christina Boulnois provided a high-level overview of road safety audits (RSAs), explaining that they involve a multidisciplinary team conducting field assessments of roadways with known crash histories to identify hazards and recommend low-cost, practical safety improvements for all roadway users. She emphasized that mini-RSAs are streamlined versions of full audits, favored by local agencies because they focus on quick, targeted reviews, often supported by a checklist she is still trying to obtain from previous trainees. Christina outlined the audit steps, including selecting locations based on crash data, organizing field visits during appropriate times of day, and documenting improvement recommendations for the maintaining agency. She then presented the top high-crash segment locations

from 2020–2022 Signal 4 Analytics data, noting several recurring trouble spots on Little Road as well as severe crashes on Bellamy Brothers Boulevard, which she suggested should be a priority for the group's first field review.

Jeffrey Moncalian (Pasco County): Jeffrey Moncalian asked Christina about the timeframe of the crash data used in her analysis, and Christina confirmed it covered 2020–2022. Jeffrey noted that Bellamy Brothers Boulevard has already undergone significant safety improvements, including upgraded signage and lighting, and explained that the core issue is the lack of shoulders, drivers who leave the pavement immediately encounter trees. He shared that a repaving project with a safety edge is planned to address this hazard. Christina asked for his recommendation on whether the corridor should still be included in a road safety audit, and Jeffrey agreed it could still be valuable for identifying any remaining issues. He also offered to forward an email summarizing the improvements already completed. Eric Henry added that an RSA was conducted on Bellamy Brothers Boulevard a few years ago and offered to locate the findings.

Kasey Cursey (EXP): Kasey Cursey added that the Pasco MPO is currently conducting its first freight study, and Bellamy Brothers Boulevard is one of the corridors being evaluated because of its connection to S.R. 52, the new Amazon facility, and anticipated industrial development in the area. Kasey noted that the corridor is drawing attention from multiple agencies due to increased freight movement, with additional activity expected near Bellamy Brothers Boulevard and Blanton Road as development expands from I-75. Kasey requested that Jeffrey share the email outlining completed improvements so the MPO can coordinate with Eric and Jeffrey and offered to have the freight plan team connect with them as well.

Randy Stovall (Pasco CAC): Randall commented that Morris Bridge Road has undergone major construction since the 2020–2022 crash dataset, including a lengthy closure at Chancey Road, and suggested that current conditions may differ significantly from the older data. Christina acknowledged the limitation of the Signal 4 Analytics emphasis-area timeframe and agreed to pull more recent crash data for a clearer picture.

Jeffrey Moncalian (Pasco County): Jeffrey added that the full closure at Morris Bridge Road and Chancey Road reopened only in late December and noted an upcoming widening project from S.R. 54 to S.R. 56, which will expand the roadway to four lanes, rebuild the Chancey Road signal, and include related improvements, with design scheduled for 2026 and construction beginning around 2029–2030. After confirming details, Christina asked if there were updates on Little Road, and Jeffrey explained that no new projects are planned there, though previous issues near the schools to the south prompted some improvements. Christina said she would re-evaluate recent crash trends on both Little Road and County Line Road, noting the impact of post-COVID driving pattern changes.

Ann Starling (Dade City PD): Ann Starling shared insight about the Little Road segment, noting from personal experience that frequent, and often severe crashes occur near the shopping centers, particularly caused by southbound left-turn movements into the Target area where drivers misjudge or overlook the third through-lane. Christina acknowledged the feedback and asked again about any upcoming improvements on Little Road.

Jeffrey Moncalian (Pasco County): Jeffrey then explained that a consultant is conducting a comprehensive study of Little Road—from Ridge Road to Embassy Boulevard—and part of Ridge Road as well, focusing on both traffic operations and safety, including traffic counts and potential signal-timing adjustments. Christina also asked about Massachusetts Avenue, where Jeffrey mentioned upcoming eastbound lane modifications at Massachusetts Avenue and Little Road but no other known issues.

Kasey Cursey (EXP): Kasey Cursey returned to note that the MPO's ongoing safety action plan has not identified these corridors as priority locations but will ensure the MPO team connects with Christina, Jeffrey, and others for coordination and outreach. Randall Stovall confirmed that these locations have not appeared on the MPO's safety target list. Christina thanked everyone for the updates and welcomed the additional coordination and workshop information Kasey will provide.

Christina Boulnois (Lochner): Christina continued with the intersection analysis from the 2020–2022 crash data, outlining the top-ranking locations by both crash rate and crash frequency, with recurring problem areas along Little Road, Ridge Road, Embassy Boulevard, and several intersections in the New Port Richey grid such as Congress Street at Indiana Avenue and Manassas Drive at Mentmore Boulevard. She emphasized that the list is based on older data and acknowledged that recent or ongoing improvements may already be reducing crashes at some sites. Christina committed to pulling updated crash data for 2023–2025 before the next meeting to refine the list, cross-check trends, and align with the MPO's safety action plan priorities. She invited Jeffrey and others to send any additional insights or recent project information and noted she would circulate the materials ahead of the next meeting to support informed discussion.

### **V. New Business**

#### *Education*

Eric Henry (FDOT): The group briefly shifted to outreach updates, with Eric noting that recent efforts were concentrated in Hillsborough County, where safety teams participated in large community events including the MLK Day Parade and the Gasparilla Children's Parade. At the Children's Parade, volunteers successfully fitted more than 100 bicycle helmets, and Kasey Cursey confirmed attendance at the event. Christina expressed appreciation for the strong turnout and outreach impact.

Sheila Rainey (John's Hopkins All Children's Hospital): Sheila Rainey shared several education and outreach updates, explaining that her team partnered with EXP and FDOT to produce an upcoming car-seat safety PSA focused on the dangers of bulky jackets under harness straps, noting that the nearly completed video features an engaging young child to help parents connect with the message. She also highlighted the ongoing bike safety poster contest for elementary and middle school students, which incorporates videos and new e-bike safety materials, emphasizing that its primary purpose is safety education, with the artwork serving as a creative reinforcement tool. Many student posters are later reproduced for broader educational outreach. Sheila added that the e-bike safety task force will meet virtually on February 11<sup>th</sup> from 2:00–3:00 PM and agreed to send the invitation to the group.

Renisa Martinez (John’s Hopkins All Children’s Hospital): Renisa shared updates on the long-running Battle of the Belts program, noting that after 17 years of focusing on Pasco County, participating high schools will now join the statewide Team Safe Driving Coalition competition while still keeping a local recognition ceremony in April to honor student and SRO involvement. Eight schools are currently participating, and Renisa highlighted a recent celebration in which Anclote High School, named most improved in seat belt use, received a \$500 award sponsored by HCA Bayonet Point, a longstanding program partner. She and Kasey Cursey reflected on student enthusiasm and the memorable moments when students reminded adults to wear seat belts. Renisa closed by saying she would provide further updates as the program progresses.

### *Enforcement*

Ann Starling (Dade City PD): Ann shared that, although she is only a few months into her role, she brings extensive traffic safety experience from her years as a traffic homicide sergeant in Largo and is eager to re-engage with the group. Christina welcomed her participation and noted the value of additional law-enforcement perspective, with Lori Palaio confirming that Jonathan Rose typically attends on behalf of Zephyrhills.

Tim Roberts (LEL): Tim then introduced himself, explaining that he was attending in place of the regional law-enforcement liaison, who was at FDOT grant training. He provided a brief update that holiday reporting and enforcement efforts were underway and added that he and colleagues are available to assist local agencies with preparing state and federal grant applications if they meet required criteria. Christina and the group expressed appreciation for their involvement and support.

Brentin Mosher (CUTR): Brentin provided an update on the Enhanced Law Enforcement Engagement program, noting that the initiative, where agencies conduct enforcement details on state roads to earn points redeemable for equipment, is entering its final month and will conclude on February 28<sup>th</sup>. After agencies redeem their points, a recognition ceremony is planned for June, and final performance statistics should be available by the March meeting. Christina asked whom she should coordinate with regarding the idea of awarding points for participation in CTST meetings. Brentin explained that the new FDOT project manager, Brendan, will be reviewing potential updates for the next grant cycle, including possible ways to encourage agencies to maximize their points. Although next-cycle dates have not yet been finalized, he confirmed that a fifth year of the program is expected.

Wayne Gaskill (Citizen): Wayne raised an ongoing concern about loud racing and high-noise vehicle activity occurring around the S.R. 589 and S.R. 54 interchange, particularly on weekend evenings, noting that despite previous coordinated efforts a few years ago to curb the behavior, the disturbances have become increasingly disruptive for nearby residents. He has been reaching out to Florida Highway Patrol contacts and local officials, including Commissioner Kathryn Starkey, to encourage continued enforcement presence in the area. Brentin Mosher asked whether the issue was more concentrated on S.R. 589 or S.R. 54. Wayne indicated it may involve vehicles using the ramps as staging areas but was unsure without additional observation. Brentin offered to share contact information for FHP personnel responsible for Turnpike facilities, including Lieutenants Rocks and Bloom, so Wayne could follow up directly.

### *Engineering*

Eric Henry (FDOT): Eric reported that he did not have new updates to share but noted that concerns raised at the previous meeting by Officer Jonathan Rose, specifically regarding safety issues at Pretty Pond Road and U.S. 301, as well as Fort King Road and U.S. 301, had been forwarded by Tina to the agency's safety engineering team. They are currently waiting for feedback and review comments from that group to determine potential next steps for those locations.

### *Crash Statistics*

Lori Palaio (JMT): From January 1<sup>st</sup> through November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, there were 70 fatal crashes. At the last CTST from January 1<sup>st</sup> through September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025, there were 58 fatal crashes. There have been 13 new fatal crashes since the last CTST meeting, since there was one crash report that was removed from the Signal 4 database after the last meeting. The 13 new fatal crashes include four pedestrian, four head on, two sideswipe, one rear end, one bicycle, and one left turn fatal crash. For the four new pedestrian fatal crashes: The first new pedestrian fatal crash was on Ridge Road and Maynard Avenue, not at the intersection, in dark not-lighted, clear and dry conditions. The second new pedestrian fatal crash was on Pure Water Way and Flint Street, not at the intersection, in dark not-lighted, clear and dry conditions. The third new pedestrian fatal crash was on Hilltop Farms Drive and Pindos Drive, not at the intersection, in day, clear and dry conditions. The fourth new pedestrian fatal crash was on S.R. 54 and Collier Parkway, not at the intersection, in dawn, clear and dry conditions. The bicycle fatal crash was on Shady Hills Road and Little Ranch Road, not at the intersection, in dark not-lighted, clear and dry conditions. For the five new pedestrian bicycle crashes, four occurred in the travel lane and one occurred in the shoulder. Two were due to a dart/dash, one was in the roadway improperly, one was not visible, and one had no improper action at time of crash. There were four new head on fatal crashes. The first one was on U.S. 19 and New York Avenue, at the four-way intersection, in day, clear and dry conditions. The second one was on U.S. 98 and C.R. 54, not at the intersection in dark not-lighted, clear and dry conditions. The third was on Blanton Road and County Squire Lane, not at the intersection, in dark-lighted, cloudy and wet conditions. The fourth was on C.R. 54 and Lumberton Road, not at the intersection, in dusk, clear and dry conditions. Three of the new fatal crashes were motorcycle related – one head on, one sideswipe, and one left turn. There are currently 70 fatal crashes through November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025. Same period in 2024 there were 93 fatal crashes. We are down by 23 fatal crashes in the same period.

### **VI. Calendar Updates / Activity Reports**

Brentin Mosher (CUTR): Brentin added that MADD will be hosting its annual Move Like MADD event, formerly known as Walk Like MADD, on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at the USF campus. The event serves as the regional gathering for all the areas MADD covers. FDOT will participate with an educational table as part of the outreach effort.

### VII. Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Updates

Lori Palaio (JMT): Lori reported that there are no new Highway Safety Improvement Program updates for Pasco County and confirmed that she had not received any recent application requests, with Eric Henry noting he had not seen any either. Lori encouraged agencies to continue submitting applications for low-cost safety improvements on their roadways and offered her assistance to anyone needing guidance through the HSIP application process, including help with documentation or procedural questions.

### VIII. Action Items

1. Christina Boulnois (Lochner) - Reevaluate recent crash trends on both Little Road and County Line Road.
2. Jeffrey Moncalian (Pasco County) - Forward an email (to the CTST Team, including Kasey Cursey) summarizing the improvements already completed on Bellamy Brothers Boulevard.
3. Eric Henry (FDOT) - Forward the findings from an RSA that was conducted on Bellamy Brothers Boulevard a few years ago.
4. Kasey Cursey (EXP) - Will ensure the MPO team connects with Christina, Jeffrey, and others for coordination, outreach and workshop information.
5. Christina Boulnois (Lochner) - Committed to pulling updated crash data for 2023–2025 before the next meeting to refine the high crash intersection list, cross-check trends, and align with the MPO's safety action plan priorities.
6. Sheila Rainey (John's Hopkins All Children's Hospital) - Will send an invitation to the group for the e bike safety task force virtual meeting on February 11<sup>th</sup> from 2:00–3:00 PM.
7. Renisa Martinez (John's Hopkins All Children's Hospital) – Will provide Battle of the Belts program progress.
8. Brentin Mosher (CUTR) - Offered to share contact information to Wayne Gaskill (Citizen) for FHP personnel responsible for Turnpike facilities, including Lieutenants Rocks and Bloom, so Wayne could follow up directly with the LE agency.
9. Eric Henry and Tina Russo (FDOT) – Worked with Tina to forward noted concerns raised by Officer Jonathan Rose of safety issues at Pretty Pond Road and U.S. 301, as well as Fort King Road and U.S. 301 to the FDOT D7 safety engineering team. They are currently waiting for feedback and review comments from that group to determine potential next steps for those locations.



## MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 2026

### IX. Open Forum/Announcements

None.

**Next Meeting: February 25, 2026 – Virtual Meeting, 1:30 PM**

Meeting adjourned at 2:25pm.

**Meeting Attendees:** Christina Boulnois (Lochner), Kasey Cursey (EXP), Veronica Diaz (EXP), Wayne Gaskill (Citizen), Eric Henry (FDOT), Renisa Martinez (John's Hopkins All Children's Hospital), Jeffrey Moncalian (Pasco County), Brentin Mosher (USF CUTR), Lori Palaio (JMT), Sheila Rainey (John's Hopkins All Children's Hospital), Tim Roberts (LEL), Andrea Sauvageot (Benesch), Randy Stovall (Pasco CAC), Ann Starling (Dade City PD)



# CHALLENGING LOCATIONS - JANUARY 2026

## STATE HIGHWAY SYSTEM LOCATIONS

Location	Date	Original Request	Who Initiated Request?	Responsible Staff or Agency
Action Item / Countermeasure	Date	Update	Status	

## LOCAL ROADS PROBLEM LOCATIONS

Location	Date	Original Request	Who Initiated Request?	Responsible Staff or Agency
Action Item / Countermeasure	Date	Update	Status	

## LONG TERM LIST

Location	Date	Original Request	Who Initiated Request?	Responsible Staff or Agency
SR 56 from Meadow Point Boulevard to US 301  <a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/vNnUAuPvDk1UsAwn8">https://maps.app.goo.gl/vNnUAuPvDk1UsAwn8</a>	Nov 2024	Lighting Request	Emmeth Duran (FDOT)	FDOT
FDOT keeps receiving repeated requests related to the need for lighting along State Road 56 from Bruce B Downs Boulevard to US 301. As new developments and new residents are coming in, residents have been asking for some form of corridor or intersection lighting along this section. Unfortunately, the addition of lighting seems to have been a missed opportunity with the recent widening and extension of this road, as well as with the new developments as part of their permit. Due to how new this road and adjacent land use is, correctable crashes are low in comparison, which Safety funds would not be justified at this time. However, FDOT is not expecting these requests to fade away, since there is a proactive need for enhanced visibility, especially with the continuous Shared-Use Path/sidewalk along both sides of SR 56. There have been multiple wrong way driving crashes.				
<b>Emphasis Area: Signal Four</b>				
Intersection/Corridor Improvements				
Action Item / Countermeasure	Date	Update	Status	
Jeffrey Moncalian of Pasco County stated that they had something they were working on to get street lighting on SR 56 and Bruce B Downs Boulevard. He will check with Venkat to see the status of this, as they were working with both Duke Energy and Withlacoochee Electric because there are boundaries that split SR 56.	12/11/24	Tina will look at this today. Pasco County is looking at this and needs a collaboration with Duke Energy.	Complete	
Tina stated that the segment from Bruce B Downs Boulevard to Meadow Pointe Boulevard meets the criteria for lighting and it is going to be part of the resurfacing project, but it will be for about half of the segment. They are working through the details on the funding and the maintenance. Tina will bring the final details of the project at the next meeting. There is a maintenance issue with Pasco and Withlacoochee that is being worked on.	2/26/25	Venkat finished talking to FDOT. Withlacoochee will do their procurement process. Lighting will go up to Meadow Pointe Boulevard. Phase one is SR 56 from Bruce B Downs Boulevard to Meadow Pointe Boulevard. Phase two will be from Meadow Point Boulevard to US 301. The limits will update on SR 56 from Meadow Pointe Boulevard to US 301. That is the section of roadway where there is no lighting improvements planned currently.	Complete	
This is in the procurement process. Once this is done, it will be shared with FDOT and the county. This will be added to a new long-term list.	4/23/25	Venkat Vattikuti, Pasco County, sent Emmeth the Withlacoochee request for costs. It needs a contribution CIC cost of about one million dollars. Venkat met with the maintenance team about the costs. He will schedule a meeting with Emmeth on this request.	Complete	



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<p>The lighting issue is still under review, with a coordination meeting planned between the County and FDOT.</p>	<p>7/23/25</p>	<p>Jeffrey Moncalian, Pasco County, will follow up on this location.</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>Jeffrey Moncalian stated that work is ongoing, noting that progress had slowed following Venkat's departure. He explained that coordination is underway with FDOT and Withlacoochee to determine which sections can still be lit before the end of the Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) and to assess the associated costs. A meeting is scheduled for next Monday to finalize the lighting sections and plan next steps.</p>	<p>9/24/25</p>	<p>Jeffrey reported that progress on lighting improvements along S.R. 56 has slowed due to time constraints with FDOT and the joint participation agreements. Originally, three segments were planned: Bruce B. Downs Boulevard from S.R. 54 to S.R. 56, S.R. 56 from I-75 to Meadow Pointe Boulevard, and S.R. 56 from I-75 to Shops at Wiregrass. However, only one segment, likely I-75 to Shops at Wiregrass, will be completed within the current timeframe, while the other two agreements may need to be dissolved. Jeffrey emphasized that efforts would continue with FDOT to eventually light the entire S.R. 56 corridor.</p>	
<p>No updates were provided. The group discussed that this location had been raised during a recent county commissioner meeting. Further discussion followed.</p>	<p>12/9/25</p>	<p><b>Jeffrey Moncalian stated that he believes this location was dropped back to just being on Bruce B Downs Boulevard from S.R. 54 to S.R. 56.</b></p>	

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<p>Daughtery Road and US 301</p> <p><a href="https://maps.app.goo.gl/zAzDSbTWJofgRkK9">https://maps.app.goo.gl/zAzDSbTWJofgRkK9</a></p>	Dec 2023	At Daughtery Road and US 301, there are crashes at the signalized intersection. Daughtery Road is between two shopping centers.		Tina Russo (FDOT)
<p>There is a hill and overall poor visibility. The issues are westbound, coming off Daughtery Road. The crashes are typically elderly people. Discussion occurred on access management. The traffic flows from the Golden Corral to the south, and vehicles cut through the parking lot. The intersection crosswalks are offset as well.</p>				
<b>Emphasis Area: Signal Four</b>				
<b>Action Item / Countermeasure</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Update</b>	<b>Status</b>	
Venkat, of Pasco County, will investigate this area.	12/13/23	Tina reached out to someone on this and will go back through her emails to see what was discussed. Tina will follow up, but this one got pushed forward to the next step to see what can or cannot be done.	Complete	
Tina said she must look at this location with Venkat's help.	2/28/24	George Edmiston spoke to Jim Reiser and he has been in contact with Zephyrhills. George and Jim will work together on this.	Complete	
Pasco County can do the timing change if FDOT allows it. Tina Russo will send Eric Henry more information. Eric Henry will get with traffic operations. Amy Davis stated that the signal will have to change from a three-section head to a five-section head	6/26/24	There is a meeting in Zephyrhills this morning. No further update.	Complete	
Ofc. Rose, of Zephyrhills PD, said they are still having problems. There is no turn signal going east or west which is causing congestion. Eric will discuss this with the traffic group.	12/11/24	FDOT is coordinating with traffic operations to see what can be done based on the group's complaints about this location. Traffic operations will do a left turn study and look at crash data. They will do a safety analysis of the intersection to see what can be done in the future.	Complete	
Eric Henry, FDOT, stated that this problem location is still in process. FDOT did a collision diagram internally and saw left turn crashes on the side streets, as well as pedestrian and bicycle crashes. They are in the process of completing a study.	4/23/25	Eric Henry, FDOT, stated that FDOT Traffic Ops are conducting some studies of this intersection. They had to push their coordination meeting with them back. Eric will follow up with them.	Complete	



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<p>Eric Henry, FDOT, stated that a left turn study was conducted but did not meet the warrants for a left turn phase. Further feedback and potential alternative approaches are being considered.</p>	<p>7/23/25</p>	<p>Eric Henry, FDOT, will follow up on this. Jonathan Rose from Zephyrhills PD, stated that this road is an ongoing issue. The left turn has a solid green head and is not protected. Christina discussed possibly pulling the crash data. Jonathan Rose stated that we can pull the crash data when it is snowbird peak season, around January or February.</p>	<p>Complete</p>
<p>Eric Henry shared that Traffic Operations completed an analysis to determine whether a protected left turn was warranted at the intersection, but the crash data and traffic volumes did not meet the necessary thresholds. As a result, implementing a protected left turn is not currently feasible, and alternative treatments may need to be considered. Christina asked whether this was something the FDOT would handle or if the group could take action. Eric responded that while FDOT is still reviewing it, any recommendations from the group could help expedite a solution. Eric noted that many of the crashes involved left turns from Daughtery Road and mentioned that elevation might also be contributing to the issue. Christina and Eric agreed it should stay on the list while the team works on identifying potential solutions.</p>	<p>9/24/25</p>	<p>Eric Henry noted that traffic operations reviewed the location to see if a protected left turn could be added, but it did not meet warrant requirements. He suggested monitoring the site and considering alternative improvements if conditions change. Christina Boulnois proposed reviewing recent crash data for patterns and asked if a site evaluation had been conducted. Eric confirmed that turning movement counts were collected but no safety concerns were reported. He offered to follow up with the team to check if any observations were made during the field visit.</p>	
<p>A new traffic signal is planned for installation at Wire Road to help create safer gaps for vehicles. Currently, heavy traffic at the stop sign is causing drivers to accelerate aggressively. Jonathan Rose from Zephyrhills PD noted that law enforcement is working to encourage drivers to slow down. The intersection presents additional challenges due to its offset alignment and elevation changes. Eric will confirm the timeline for the signal installation, and this improvement can be added to the long-term problem locations list. Christina also recommended reviewing the crash history for this location.</p>	<p>12/9/25</p>	<p><b>Eric Henry reported that the new traffic signal planned for the U.S. 301 and Wire Road intersection is expected to begin construction around March of this year, with completion anticipated by the fall, according to the project manager. He noted that this location should remain on the group's long-term problem location list to observe whether construction activity contributes to any increase in crashes and to evaluate conditions after the signal is installed. In response to Christina Boulnois's question about whether a pre-installation safety or signal warrant study had been completed, Eric confirmed that at least a signal warrant analysis should exist and offered to obtain it for the group.</b></p>	



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