



# MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA

Please be advised that the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (VTPO) BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (BPAC) will be meeting on:

DATE: Wednesday, February 8, 2012

TIME: 3:00 p.m.

PLACE: Volusia TPO  
2570 W. International Speedway Blvd.,  
Suite 100 (Conference Room)  
Daytona Beach, Florida 32114-8145

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Ms. A.J. Devies, Chairperson

## AGENDA

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/DETERMINATION OF QUORUM/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT/PARTICIPATION (*Length of time at the discretion of the Chairperson*)
- III. NEW BPAC MEMBER INTRODUCTION
- IV. ACTION ITEMS
  - A) REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF JANUARY 11, 2012 BPAC MEETING MINUTES  
(*Contact: Stephan C. Harris*) (*Enclosure, pages 3-30*)
  - B) REVIEW AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2012-XX SUPPORTING FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BILL 405 AND FLORIDA SENATE BILL 1192 REGARDING PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES (*Contact: A.J. Devies*) (*Enclosure, pages 31-48*)
  - C) REVIEW AND RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF THE 2012 VOLUSIA COUNTY BICYCLING MAP FOR THE EXPERIENCED CYCLIST (*Contact: Stephan C. Harris*) (*Enclosure, page 49*)

V. PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A) UPDATE ON THE CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) PHASE I: ASSESSMENT OF US 1/SR 5 (*Contact: Jean Parlow*) (*Enclosure, pages 50-53*)
- B) PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF TRANSPORTATION ISSUES IN THE DELEON SPRINGS COMMUNITY (*Contact: Amy K. Munizzi, DeLeon Springs Community Association*) (*Enclosure, page 54*)
- C) VIDEO PRESENTATION ON PEDESTRIAN SAFETY ENFORCEMENT AT CROSSWALKS (*Contact: Dr. J.E. Louis Malenfant, Center for Education & Research in Safety*) (*Enclosure, page 55*)

VI. STAFF COMMENTS (*Enclosure, page 56*)

VII. INFORMATION ITEMS (*Enclosures, pages 56-66*)

- Ø BPAC Attendance Record
- Ø Florida Safe Routes to School Updates – January 31, 2012
- Ø Volusia TPO 2012 Priority Process Schedule

VIII. BPAC MEMBER COMMENTS (*Enclosure, page 56*)

IX. ADJOURNMENT (*Enclosure, page 56*)

**\*\*\*The next meeting of the BPAC will be Wednesday, March 14, 2012\*\*\***

NOTE: Individuals covered by the American with Disabilities Act of 1990 in need of accommodations for this public meeting should contact the Volusia TPO office, 2570 W. International Speedway Blvd., Suite 100, Daytona Beach, FL (386) 226-0422, extension 21 at least five (5) working days prior to the meeting date.

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BPAC  
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III. New BPAC Member Introduction

**Background Information:**

The Honorable Liz Patton, VTPO Board member and Holly Hill City Commissioner (District 4), has appointed Mr. Nick Mostert to represent the City of Holly Hill on the BPAC. The appointment of Mr. Mostert was approved by the Holly Hill City Commission at their regular meeting on January 24, 2012.

Welcome to the BPAC, Mr. Mostert!

*Action Requested:*

*As directed by the BPAC*

SUMMARY SHEET  
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IV. Action Items

A) Review and Approval of January 11, 2012 BPAC Meeting Minutes

**Background Information:**

Minutes are prepared for each meeting and must be approved by the BPAC. The January 11, 2012 BPAC meeting minutes are provided with this agenda packet for your review.

*Action Requested:*

*Motion to approve the January 11, 2012 BPAC meeting minutes*

**Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)  
Meeting Minutes  
January 11, 2012**

Members Present:

Mike Chuven  
Rani Merens  
Tim Bustos  
Michelle Grenham  
Rene “Rocky” Rivera  
Bob Storke  
Phyllis Campbell, Vice Chair  
Colleen Nicoulin  
Roy Walters  
A.J. Devies, Chair  
William “Bill” Pouzar

Representing:

Daytona Beach  
DeBary  
DeLand  
Edgewater  
Holly Hill  
Orange City  
Ponce Inlet  
Port Orange  
Volusia County, At-Large  
Volusia County, District 2  
Volusia County, District 5

Non-Voting Technical Appointees Present:

Joan Carter  
Wendy Hickey  
Gwen Perney  
Tina Skipper  
Melissa Booker  
Heather Blanck

Representing:

FDOT, District 5  
Orange City  
Port Orange  
Volusia County School Board  
Volusia County Traffic Engineering  
Votran

Members/Technical Appointees Absent:

Alexis Collock Rohr  
Craig Wells  
Peter Cerullo

Representing:

Deltona  
Flagler Beach  
Volusia County, At-Large

Others Present:

Karen Roch, Recording Secretary  
Robert Keeth  
Stephan Harris  
Dan Manley  
Don Malmborg  
Amy Munizzi  
Rose Litwinier  
Laura Strawn  
Steve Friedel  
Ginger Hoke  
Ron Saylor  
J. Travis Johnson

Representing:

TPO Staff  
TPO Staff  
TPO Staff  
AECOM  
DeLeon Springs Community Assoc.  
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FDOT, District 5  
Hoke Design, Inc.  
Orange City  
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I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Determination of Quorum / Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting of the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) was called to order at 3:04 p.m. by Chairperson A.J. Devies. The roll was called and it was determined that there was a quorum.

II. Public Comment/Participation

No public comments.

III. Action Items

A. Review and Approval of November 9, 2011 BPAC Meeting Minutes

*MOTION: A motion to approve the November 9, 2012 BPAC meeting minutes was made by Mr. Storke. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chuvén and carried unanimously.*

B. Review and Recommend Approval of the Safe Routes to School Bicycle/Pedestrian Project Criteria

Chairperson Devies stated there were changes to the Safe Routes to School Criteria from the last BPAC meeting and this is the revised criteria.

*MOTION: A motion to recommend approval of the Safe Routes to School Bicycle/Pedestrian Project Criteria was made by Mr. Chuvén. The motion was seconded by Ms. Campbell and carried unanimously.*

IV. Presentations and Discussion Items

A. Presentation on the River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Vision Plan for DeLeon Springs [Mr. Manley & Ms. Strawn's presentation is included in the minutes for reference purposes.]

Chairperson Devies asked if the driver's view of pedestrians will be blocked by elements in the crosswalk. Mr. Manley responded no.

Mr. Pouzar stated the roadway sections were generic.

Mr. Manley responded they were created in response to feedback from the DeLeon Springs community.

Ms. Merens stated she was concerned that motorists' vision will be blocked when turning.

Mr. Manley responded that gateways should be at least six feet from the curb.

Mr. Pouzar stated that a picture should be taken of the intersection with improvements noted.

Mr. Rivera stated DeLeon Springs is a very historic area and commended Mr. Manley.

Mr. Bustos stated the crosswalks don't have ramps.

Mr. Manley agreed and stated that although it is conceptual, crosswalks should have ramps.

Mr. Bustos stated bicycle lanes are immediately adjacent to parked cars. This can lead to crashes.

Ms. Carter stated a landscaped median takes 16 feet away from improvements for bicyclists and pedestrians.

Mr. Pouzar stated the median should be eliminated.

Ms. Strawn stated the community is working on getting water and sewer lines, changing downtown zoning, etc. [Ms. Strawn also thanked the BPAC.]

**[At this point, the Safe Routes to School Criteria were revisited.]**

Chairperson Devies stated there was a problem with the Safe Routes to School Criteria.

**Mr. Chuyen removed his motion regarding the Safe Routes to School Criteria.**

Mr. Harris stated the following changes were made to the Safe Routes to School Criteria since the last BPAC meeting: on Page 1 of the criteria, information has been removed to simplify the form. This is a form to be used internally to the TPO and committees to evaluate projects. Criterion #3 was changed to address the availability of right of way. It should be noted that Mr. Cheney had suggested changes that didn't make it into this draft.

Ms. Booker stated some measure of how many people are projected to use the proposed project would be helpful.

Mr. Harris responded such an analysis of need was analyzed in the Bicycle & Pedestrian School Safety Review Study.

Ms. Skipper asked about school based Safe Routes to School committees.

Mr. Harris responded this is a requirement of the Florida Safe Routes to School Program. Some schools have committees made up of volunteers such as parents and other citizens to discuss concerns around the school campuses.

Ms. Carter stated the Safe Routes to School application is designed to encourage a school-based approach to selecting projects.

Discussion continued.

Ms. Booker stated the criteria should include whether a project is in a school walk zone, if the school board is agreeable and local agency concurrence.

Mr. Harris responded yes, those are important issues. Many of which are taken into account in the Bicycle & Pedestrian School Safety Review Study reports.

***MOTION: A motion to recommend approval of the Safe Routes to School Bicycle/Pedestrian Project Criteria was made by Mr. Chuyen. The motion was seconded by Mr. Pouzar and carried unanimously.***

#### IV. Presentations and Discussion Items

##### B. Presentation on the 2012 Volusia TPO Priority Process Schedule

Mr. Keeth stated the Volusia TPO opens a Call for Projects every year to consider projects for federal funding. Each project is evaluated by one of the committees and project priority lists are created with the ranked projects. The TPO intends to hold two workshops, one on either side of the county, to discuss the projects with sponsors and answer questions. The Call for Projects will open in early February. Bicycle /pedestrian projects will be ranked by the BPAC subcommittee and reviewed by the BPAC in May. A second draft will be created for review by the BPAC in June. The TPO Board is expected to adopt the Priority Lists in July if there is a meeting or August if there is no meeting in July.

Mr. Chuyen stated the BPAC [made changes to the XU Bicycle/Pedestrian Project Criteria.] and asked if the TPO Board had acted on it.

Mr. Harris stated the criteria will be presented to the TPO Board later in the month.

Mr. Rivera asked if the workshops include people to help small cities with projects.

Mr. Keeth responded yes, TPO staff is available for help at the workshops.

##### C. Video Presentation on the Volusia TPO/Bright House Networks Bicycle & Pedestrian Safety Awareness Campaign

[Mr. Harris presented video footage of the Walking School Bus Video and Adventure Time commercial.]

Mr. Harris stated the Walk and Ride Video is currently available on Marketplace on Demand. Bright House Networks is currently working on commercials to direct viewers to Marketplace on Demand channels where the video is located.

Mr. Rivera stated the announcer [in the Adventure Time commercial] was boring.

Mr. Walters stated the announcer [in the Adventure Time commercial] was monotone.

Mr. Bustos asked who will develop the advertising content.

Mr. Harris responded Bright House Networks.

Mr. Bustos asked if the BPAC can have input.

Mr. Harris responded yes, especially on new material.

Mr. Harris asked if the BPAC wants to create a subcommittee.

Mr. Walters responded the material can be emailed or posted on the website.

Ms. Carter stated the draft should run with a tag.

Mr. Harris stated the Internet banner ad runs in rotation with other advertisements on [www.cfnews13.com](http://www.cfnews13.com). When you click on the banner ad, it takes you to where the videos are posted on [www.volusiatpo.org](http://www.volusiatpo.org).

## **V. Staff Comments**

Mr. Harris stated the TPO Board will be holding a retreat at Riverside Pavilion in Port Orange on January 20, 2012 starting at 9:00 a.m. Representatives from Flagler County have been invited to discuss the upcoming reapportionment.

## **VI. Information Items**

Chairperson Devies noted the information items in the agenda packet.

## **VII. BPAC Member Comments**

Ms. Skipper stated the school district is concerned about distracted walkers, which could be a topic for a future safety video.

Ms. Blanck stated Votran buses were free to ride on New Year's Eve.

Mr. Bustos stated Florida Bicycle Association has established an office in downtown DeLand at 336 N. Woodland Blvd.

Ms. Carter stated FDOT is working with the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council to create a video about school siting.

Chairperson Devies stated Ms. Campbell's husband passed away before Christmas. A condolence card was sent to the Campbell family on behalf of the BPAC. Michael Porter had two brothers pass away recently. A card was sent to his family as well. The next BPAC meeting will be on February 8<sup>th</sup>.

## VII. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

### Volusia Transportation Planning Organization

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Ms. A.J. Devies, Chairperson

Bicycle /Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)

#### CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the Volusia TPO certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the January 11, 2012 regular meeting of the Bicycle/Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC), approved and duly signed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of February 2012.

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Karen Roch, Recording Secretary

Volusia Transportation Planning Organization

# River of Lakes Heritage Corridor

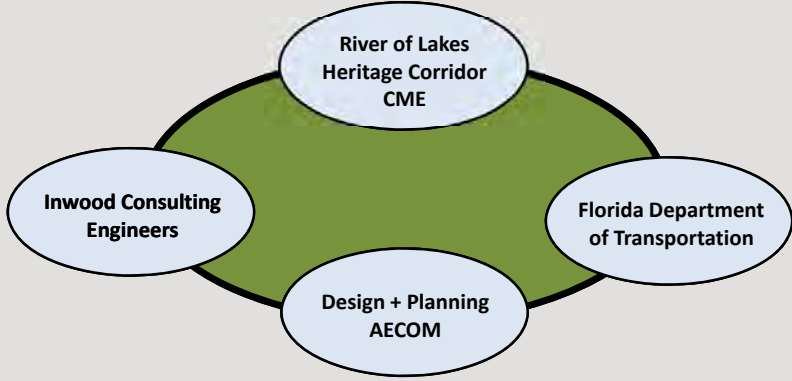
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## Project Team Introduction




River of Lakes  
Heritage Corridor  
CME

Inwood Consulting  
Engineers

Florida Department  
of Transportation

Design + Planning  
AECOM



DeLeon Springs Visioning

## Community Visioning

What is visioning?

- Process to develop a long range plan (vision) for the community that is forward thinking
- Used as a tool to help guide future decisions and planning efforts
- Balanced look at what is and what could be
- Scenic Highway Led




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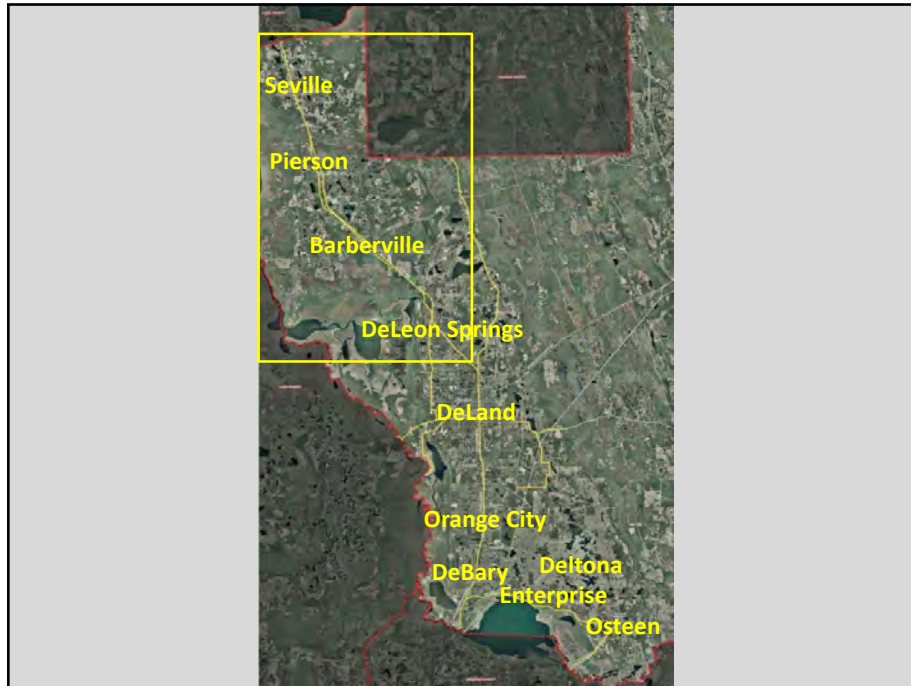
## Community Visioning

### Why Visioning?

- Communities along the byway are critical to preserving and maintaining the character of the byway
  - Cultural Resources
  - Historical Resources
- River of Lakes engaged the FDOT to support a visioning study for four communities in Northwest Volusia County



DeLeon Springs Visioning



## Community Visioning

What did the visioning study consider?

- Appropriate land-use patterns along and related to US-17
- Rural town-making principles and physical improvements within the communities along and related to US-17 that will reinforce small-town living



DeLeon Springs Visioning

## Visioning Process Overview

- River of Lakes CME Workshop
- Four Communities Public Workshop
- DeLeon Springs & Barberville Workshops
- Pierson & Seville Workshops
- Four Communities Presentation
- Draft Visioning Document Complete
- CME Review Meeting
- Final Visioning Document



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## CME Workshop

Answer the following questions:

- What are the pressures?
- What concerns exist?
- What has been done in terms of planning & visioning?
- Has it been successful?




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**CME Workshop**

**River of Lakes: Common Issues & Themes**

- Historic Preservation/Adaptive Reuse
- Preserve Small Town Character
  - Design Standards & Practices
- Interconnected Recreation/Open Space Systems
- Gateways/Wayfinding/Regional Branding
  - Maintain Individual Community Identity
- Landscaping/Beautification Projects
  - Trees/Wildflowers



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**CME Workshop**

**River of Lakes: Common Issues & Themes**

- “Walkability” – Traffic Calming/Sidewalks/Street Trees
- Promotion of Agricultural/Rural Character
  - Land Use Management/Joint Planning
  - Land Purchase
  - Agricultural Assistance
  - Agri-Tourism
- Marketing/Promotion of Small Towns and Byway
  - Continuity
  - Special Features
  - Events Coordination
  - Main Street Retailing



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## Previous Community Visioning Workshop



- All Four Communities
  - DeLeon Springs
  - Barberville
  - Pierson
  - Seville



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## Post-it Note Session



- Three things that define the character of your community or “what are three things you would never want to see changed?”
- Three things that you would like to see improved in your community



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### Community Specific Table Sessions

- On the map, please note the following:
  - What are the important streets?
  - What are the critical intersections?
  - What are the historic buildings?
  - What are the critical views?
  - At what point on SR-17 do you enter the community?
  - What are the important town features?
  - What neighborhoods are culturally/historically important?
  - What is critical to the character of your community?



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### Community Specific Table Sessions



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## Presentations and Surveys



### River of Lakes Heritage Corridor - Community Visioning

Public Workshop - June 11, 2009

1. What do you think is special or unique about your community?
2. What is the one thing you would change about your community?
3. What is the one thing about your community that you hope never changes?
4. What are the gathering places/meeting places in your community?
5. If you had an out-of-town guest visit you, what places in your community would you show them?
6. Please feel free to share any other comments or concerns (you may write on the back if you need additional space)

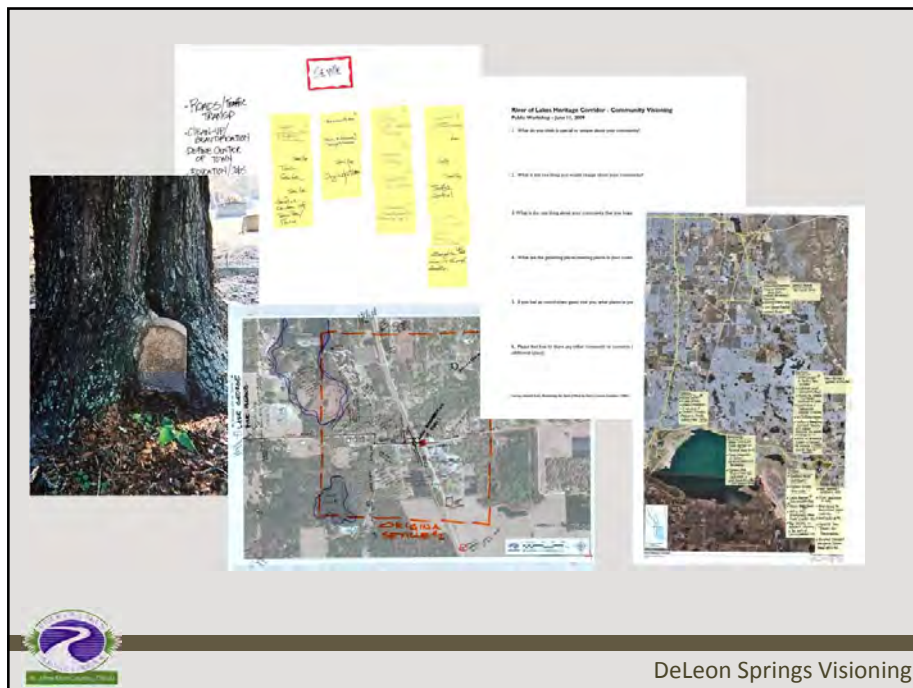
Survey adapted from Planning the Spirit of Place by Harris Lounsbury (1985)



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Photo Analysis



### Individual Community Workshops

- One for Each Community
  - DeLeon Springs
  - Barberville
  - Pierson
  - Seville
- 2.5 Day Event
  - Public Evening Workshop
  - Two Days On-site Design
  - Public Input After First Day



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## DeLeon Springs



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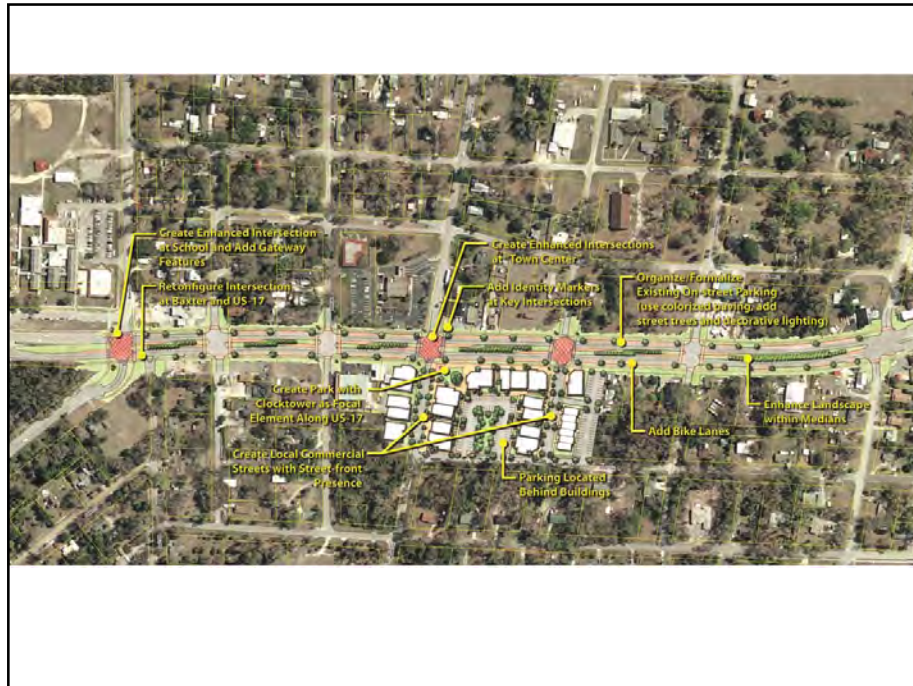
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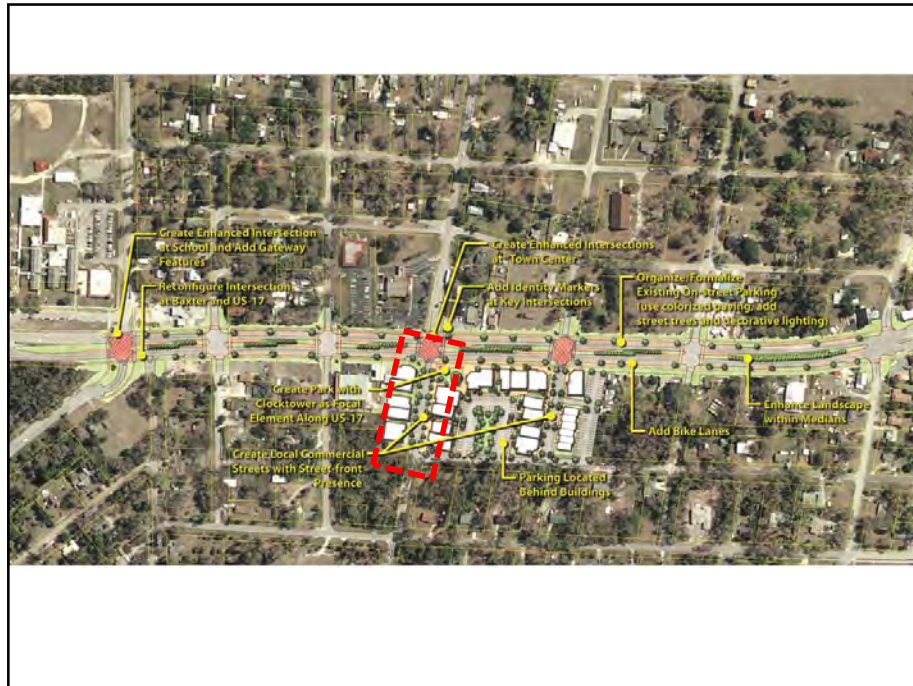
- “Clean-up”/Beautify
- Create Identity
  - Gateways/Wayfinding
  - Streetlights
  - Architecture
  - Town Icon/Clocktower
- Re-use of existing historic buildings
- Make pedestrian friendly
  - Promote safety
  - Traffic calming
  - Walkability
- Intensified Town Center



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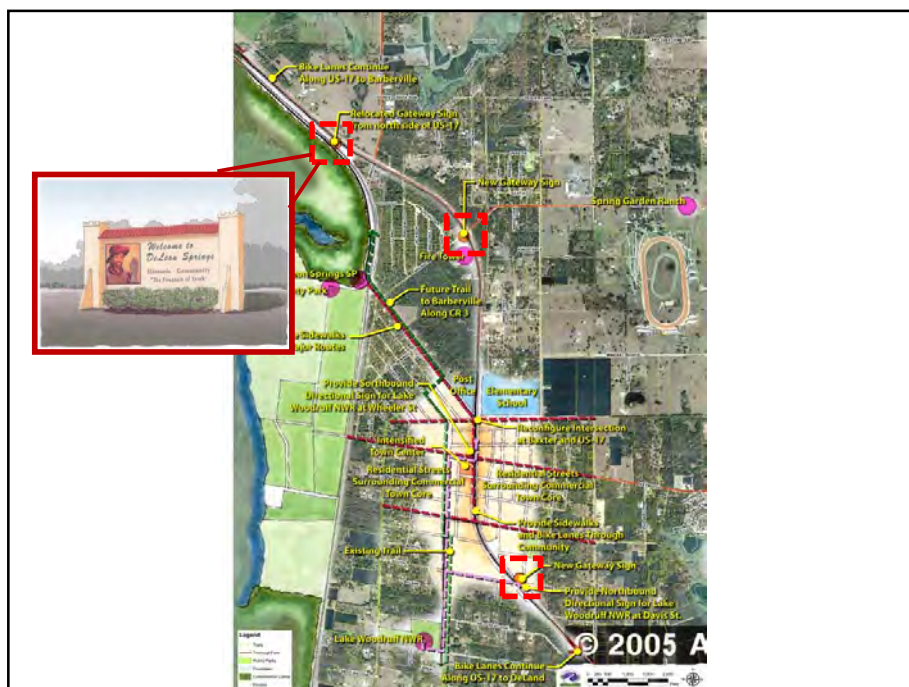






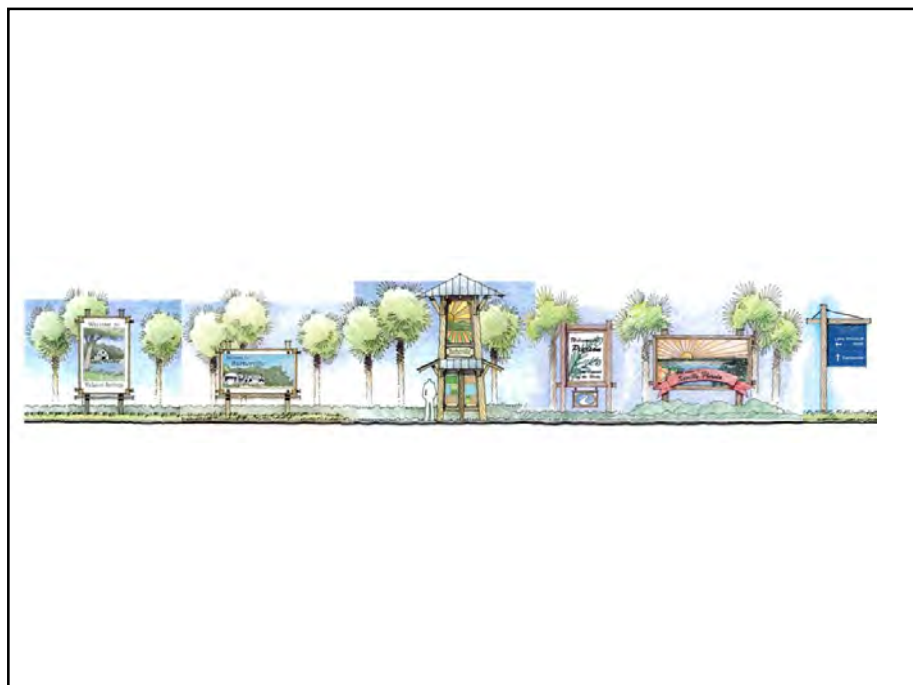














**River of Lakes Heritage Corridor**

DeLeon Springs Community Visioning



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SUMMARY SHEET  
BPAC  
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IV. Action Items

- B) Review and Recommend Approval of Resolution 2012-XX Supporting Florida House of Representatives Bill 405 and Florida Senate Bill 1192 Regarding Persons with Disabilities

**Background Information:**

Resolution 2012-XX supporting Florida House of Representatives Bill 405 and related Florida Senate Bill 1192 regarding Persons with Disabilities is provided with this agenda packet for your review. The Florida Senate Bill Analysis and Fiscal Impact Statement are also provided with this agenda packet for reference purposes.

*Action Requested:*

*Motion to recommend approval of Resolution 2012-XX*

**VOLUSIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

**RESOLUTION 2012-XX**

**RESOLUTION OF THE VOLUSIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION SUPPORTING  
FLORIDA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES BILL 405 AND RELATED FLORIDA SENATE BILL 1192  
REGARDING PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES**

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**WHEREAS**, the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (VTPO) is the duly designated and constituted body responsible for carrying out the urban transportation planning and programming process, including transportation disadvantaged planning as authorized by section 427.0159, Florida Statutes and Rule 41-2, Florida Administrative Code, for Volusia County and the cities of Beverly Beach and Flagler Beach in Flagler County; and

**WHEREAS**, the Volusia TPO is an active proponent of safety with regards to traffic, cyclists, pedestrians, and particularly the safety of those individuals that are mobility challenged such as the legally blind and individuals that are mobility impaired; and

**WHEREAS**, the Volusia TPO has, in the past and currently, funded and participated in educational programs for local law enforcement agencies regarding Florida Statutes and their application to pedestrian safety; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida House Bill 405 and Senate Bill 1192 would require law enforcement agencies in the State of Florida to report crimes affecting persons with disabilities, legally blind persons and persons who are mobility impaired including incidents of crashes involving legally blind persons and crashes involving mobility-impaired persons; and

**WHEREAS**, Florida House Bill 405 and Senate Bill 1192 would also require certain traffic law education programs to include the study of traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired persons and for driver education programs to include the same; and

**WHEREAS**, the Volusia TPO supports including the study of F.S. 316.1301 and traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility-impaired persons in the curricula of every basic skills course required in order for law enforcement officers to obtain initial certification.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization (VTPO) that:

1. the Volusia TPO supports Florida House of Representatives Bill 405 – Persons with Disabilities

2. the Volusia TPO supports Florida Senate Bill 1192 – Persons with Disabilities
  
3. the Chairperson of the TPO, or her designee, is hereby authorized and directed to transmit this resolution to the:
  - a. Governor, State of Florida;
  - b. Secretary of Transportation, United States
  - c. Secretary of Transportation, State of Florida;
  - d. Commissioner of Department of Law Enforcement;
  - e. Director of Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles;
  - f. Secretary of FDOT District V;
  - g. East Central Florida Regional Planning Council;
  - h. Members of the Central Florida MPO Alliance; and
  - i. Members of the TPO Board.

**DONE AND RESOLVED** at the regular meeting of the Volusia TPO on the **28th** day of **February, 2012**.

**VOLUSIA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

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**City of DeLand, Mayor Pro-Tem Leigh Matusick  
Chairperson, Volusia TPO**

**CERTIFICATE**

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the Volusia TPO certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Volusia TPO held on February 28, 2012.

**ATTEST:**

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**Pamela C. Blankenship, Recording Secretary**

1 A bill to be entitled  
 2 An act relating to persons with disabilities;  
 3 requiring law enforcement agencies to report certain  
 4 criminal activity and enforcement of certain laws to  
 5 the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department  
 6 of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s.  
 7 322.12, F.S.; providing requirements for examination  
 8 questions pertaining to traffic laws relating to  
 9 legally blind and mobility impaired persons; amending  
 10 s. 322.095, F.S.; requiring certain traffic law  
 11 education programs to include the study of traffic  
 12 laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
 13 persons; amending s. 943.17, F.S.; requiring the basic  
 14 skills course required in order for law enforcement  
 15 officers to obtain certification to include the study  
 16 of traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility  
 17 impaired persons; amending s. 1003.48, F.S.; requiring  
 18 driver education programs to include study of traffic  
 19 laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
 20 persons; providing an effective date.

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 22 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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 24 Section 1. Law enforcement reports.—Each month, each law  
 25 enforcement agency in the state shall report crimes affecting  
 26 persons with disabilities, legally blind persons, and persons  
 27 who are mobility impaired to the Department of Law Enforcement  
 28 and report its enforcement of s. 316.1301, Florida Statutes, and

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29 traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
 30 persons to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.  
 31 The report to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
 32 Vehicles shall include incidents of crashes involving legally  
 33 blind persons and crashes involving mobility impaired persons.  
 34 The Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Highway  
 35 Safety and Motor Vehicles shall each provide procedures for the  
 36 collection and maintenance of the reports in the same manner as  
 37 other criminal activity and enforcement reports are collected  
 38 and maintained by that department.

39 Section 2. Subsection (6) is added to section 322.12,  
 40 Florida Statutes, to read:

41 322.12 Examination of applicants.—

42 (6) Each examination given for a Class E driver license or  
 43 a commercial driver license under this section must include one  
 44 question testing the applicant's knowledge of s. 316.1301 and  
 45 traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
 46 persons. In developing questions under this subsection, the  
 47 department shall emphasize pedestrian right of way when a driver  
 48 is making a right turn at an intersection.

49 Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 322.095, Florida  
 50 Statutes, is amended to read:

51 322.095 Traffic law and substance abuse education program  
 52 for driver ~~driver's~~ license applicants.—

53 (1) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
 54 must approve traffic law and substance abuse education courses  
 55 that must be completed by applicants for a Florida driver  
 56 ~~driver's~~ license. The curricula for the courses must provide

57 | instruction on the physiological and psychological consequences  
 58 | of the abuse of alcohol and other drugs, the societal and  
 59 | economic costs of alcohol and drug abuse, the effects of alcohol  
 60 | and drug abuse on the driver of a motor vehicle, and the laws of  
 61 | this state relating to the operation of a motor vehicle. The  
 62 | curricula must also include the study of s. 316.1301 and traffic  
 63 | laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired persons. All  
 64 | instructors teaching the courses shall be certified by the  
 65 | department.

66 | Section 4. Subsection (5) of section 943.17, Florida  
 67 | Statutes, is amended to read:

68 | 943.17 Basic recruit, advanced, and career development  
 69 | training programs; participation; cost; evaluation.—The  
 70 | commission shall, by rule, design, implement, maintain,  
 71 | evaluate, and revise entry requirements and job-related  
 72 | curricula and performance standards for basic recruit, advanced,  
 73 | and career development training programs and courses. The rules  
 74 | shall include, but are not limited to, a methodology to assess  
 75 | relevance of the subject matter to the job, student performance,  
 76 | and instructor competency.

77 | (5) The commission, in consultation with the Florida  
 78 | Violent Crime and Drug Control Council, shall establish  
 79 | standards for basic and advanced training programs for law  
 80 | enforcement officers in the subjects of investigating and  
 81 | preventing violent crime. The curricula of every basic skills  
 82 | course required in order for law enforcement officers to obtain  
 83 | initial certification must include the study of s. 316.1301 and  
 84 | traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired

85 persons. After January 1, 1995, every basic skills course  
 86 required in order for law enforcement officers to obtain initial  
 87 certification must include training on violent crime prevention  
 88 and investigations.

89 Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 1003.48, Florida  
 90 Statutes, is amended to read:

91 1003.48 Instruction in operation of motor vehicles.—

92 (1) A course of study and instruction in the safe and  
 93 lawful operation of a motor vehicle shall be made available by  
 94 each district school board to students in the secondary schools  
 95 in the state. As used in this section, the term "motor vehicle"  
 96 shall have the same meaning as in s. 320.01(1)(a) and shall  
 97 include motorcycles and mopeds. Instruction in motorcycle or  
 98 moped operation may be limited to classroom instruction. The  
 99 curricula of every course must include the study of s. 316.1301  
 100 and traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
 101 persons. The course shall not be made a part of, or a substitute  
 102 for, any of the minimum requirements for graduation.

103 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

By Senator Lynn

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A bill to be entitled  
 An act relating to persons with disabilities;  
 requiring law enforcement agencies to report certain  
 criminal activity and enforcement of certain laws to  
 the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department  
 of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; amending s.  
 322.12, F.S.; providing requirements for examination  
 questions pertaining to traffic laws relating to  
 legally blind and mobility impaired persons; amending  
 s. 322.095, F.S.; requiring certain traffic law  
 education programs to include the study of traffic  
 laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
 persons; amending s. 943.17, F.S.; requiring the basic  
 skills course required in order for law enforcement  
 officers to obtain certification to include the study  
 of traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility  
 impaired persons; amending s. 1003.48, F.S.; requiring  
 driver education programs to include study of traffic  
 laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
 persons; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Law enforcement reports.—Each month, each law enforcement agency in the state shall report crimes affecting persons with disabilities, legally blind persons, and persons who are mobility impaired to the Department of Law Enforcement and report its enforcement of s. 316.1301, Florida Statutes, and traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired

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30 persons to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.  
31 The report to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor  
32 Vehicles shall include incidents of crashes involving legally  
33 blind persons and crashes involving mobility impaired persons.  
34 The Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Highway  
35 Safety and Motor Vehicles shall each provide procedures for the  
36 collection and maintenance of the reports in the same manner as  
37 other criminal activity and enforcement reports are collected  
38 and maintained by that department.

39 Section 2. Subsection (6) is added to section 322.12,  
40 Florida Statutes, to read:

41 322.12 Examination of applicants.—

42 (6) Each examination given for a Class E driver license or  
43 a commercial driver license under this section must include one  
44 question testing the applicant's knowledge of s. 316.1301 and  
45 traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
46 persons. In developing questions under this subsection, the  
47 department shall emphasize pedestrian right of way when a driver  
48 is making a right turn at an intersection.

49 Section 3. Subsection (1) of section 322.095, Florida  
50 Statutes, is amended to read:

51 322.095 Traffic law and substance abuse education program  
52 for driver ~~driver's~~ license applicants.—

53 (1) The Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles  
54 must approve traffic law and substance abuse education courses  
55 that must be completed by applicants for a Florida driver  
56 ~~driver's~~ license. The curricula for the courses must provide  
57 instruction on the physiological and psychological consequences  
58 of the abuse of alcohol and other drugs, the societal and

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59 economic costs of alcohol and drug abuse, the effects of alcohol  
60 and drug abuse on the driver of a motor vehicle, and the laws of  
61 this state relating to the operation of a motor vehicle. The  
62 curricula must also include the study of s. 316.1301 and traffic  
63 laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired persons. All  
64 instructors teaching the courses shall be certified by the  
65 department.

66 Section 4. Subsection (5) of section 943.17, Florida  
67 Statutes, is amended to read:

68 943.17 Basic recruit, advanced, and career development  
69 training programs; participation; cost; evaluation.—The  
70 commission shall, by rule, design, implement, maintain,  
71 evaluate, and revise entry requirements and job-related  
72 curricula and performance standards for basic recruit, advanced,  
73 and career development training programs and courses. The rules  
74 shall include, but are not limited to, a methodology to assess  
75 relevance of the subject matter to the job, student performance,  
76 and instructor competency.

77 (5) The commission, in consultation with the Florida  
78 Violent Crime and Drug Control Council, shall establish  
79 standards for basic and advanced training programs for law  
80 enforcement officers in the subjects of investigating and  
81 preventing violent crime. The curricula of every basic skills  
82 course required in order for law enforcement officers to obtain  
83 initial certification must include the study of s. 316.1301 and  
84 traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
85 persons. After January 1, 1995, every basic skills course  
86 required in order for law enforcement officers to obtain initial  
87 certification must include training on violent crime prevention

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88 and investigations.

89 Section 5. Subsection (1) of section 1003.48, Florida  
90 Statutes, is amended to read:

91 1003.48 Instruction in operation of motor vehicles.—

92 (1) A course of study and instruction in the safe and  
93 lawful operation of a motor vehicle shall be made available by  
94 each district school board to students in the secondary schools  
95 in the state. As used in this section, the term "motor vehicle"  
96 shall have the same meaning as in s. 320.01(1)(a) and shall  
97 include motorcycles and mopeds. Instruction in motorcycle or  
98 moped operation may be limited to classroom instruction. The  
99 curricula of every course must include the study of s. 316.1301  
100 and traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired  
101 persons. The course shall not be made a part of, or a substitute  
102 for, any of the minimum requirements for graduation.

103 Section 6. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012.

**The Florida Senate**  
**BILL ANALYSIS AND FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

(This document is based on the provisions contained in the legislation as of the latest date listed below.)

Prepared By: The Professional Staff of the Transportation Committee

BILL: SB 1192

INTRODUCER: Senator Lynn

SUBJECT: Persons with Disabilities

DATE: January 23, 2012      REVISED: \_\_\_\_\_

	ANALYST	STAFF DIRECTOR	REFERENCE	ACTION
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**I. Summary:**

This bill creates a new unnumbered section of the Florida Statutes which requires law enforcement agencies to report crimes affecting persons with disabilities, legally blind persons, and persons who are mobility impaired to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE); and to report violations of s. 316.1301, F.S., entitled “traffic regulations to assist blind persons”, any other violations of traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, and incidents of crashes involving such persons to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV). FDLE and DHSMV are authorized to provide procedures to collect and maintain such reports in the same manner as other similar reports are collected.

This bill amends s. 322.12, F.S., so that driver license exams for Class E and commercial licenses must include one question testing the applicants knowledge of s. 316.1301, F.S, as well as other traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, with particular emphasis given to pedestrian right of way when a driver is making a right turn at an intersection.

This bill amends s. 322.095, F.S., in order to add the study of s. 316.1301, F.S, as well as other traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, to the course curricula for traffic law and substance abuse education courses.

This bill amends s. 943.17, F.S., to add the study of s. 316.1301, F.S, as well as other traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, to the curricula of every basic skills course required for law enforcement officers to obtain initial certification.

This bill amends s. 1003.48, F.S., in order to add the mandatory study of s. 316.1301, F.S, as well as other traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, to the course curricula of driver education programs available in secondary schools in the state.

## II. Present Situation:

### Law Enforcement Reporting:

#### FDLE

Currently, the FDLE collects data on crimes across the state through its uniform crime report (UCR) program. The current program, which was implemented for the first full year of crime reporting in 1989<sup>1</sup>, collects data according to the following hierarchy of types of crime<sup>2</sup>:

- Murder and Non-Negligent Manslaughter
- Sex Offenses
- Robbery
- Aggravated Assault
- Aggravated Stalking
- Burglary/Breaking and Entering
- Larceny/Theft
- Motor Vehicle Theft
- Simple Assault
- Arson

Between 1989 and 1995, the UCR system relied on monthly reports from the various law enforcement agencies around the state. However, since 1996, the system has moved to a semi-annual or annual reporting system.<sup>3</sup> Currently, no crime data is collected by FDLE relating to crimes against persons with disabilities, legally blind persons, and persons who are mobility impaired.<sup>4</sup>

#### DHSMV

Currently, in accordance with s. 316.066, F.S., all accidents must be recorded through the use of either a long form report or a short form report. The long form report is used to record accidents which involve death, personal injury, damage to a vehicle or property, or DUI. The short form is used to report all other types of accidents. Long form reports must be submitted to DHSMV within ten days completing the investigation. Short form reports are maintained by the agency for which the officer works.

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<sup>1</sup> “Understanding Florida’s UCR Data”, The Florida Department of Law Enforcement, last viewed on 1/23/2012, <http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/Content/getdoc/685508bc-ce34-4423-b867-827ed0dc6fac/datahistory.aspx>

<sup>2</sup> “Uniform Crime Reports Guide Manual”, The Florida Department of Law Enforcement, 2008, last viewed on 1/23/2012, [http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/Content/getdoc/7fad02e4-96bd-46d9-82fc-4a5c46f0be22/datahistory\\_ucrmanual-1-.aspx](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/Content/getdoc/7fad02e4-96bd-46d9-82fc-4a5c46f0be22/datahistory_ucrmanual-1-.aspx), p. 8.

<sup>3</sup> See note 1.

<sup>4</sup> “SENATE BILL #1192 Relating to Persons With Disabilities” analysis, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Jan 13, 2012, on file with the Transportation Committee.

Currently, DHSMV keeps a database of all uniform traffic citations (UTCs) which are issued statewide and also collects records of citation and disposition information which it receives from the county clerks of court.<sup>5</sup> DHSMV does not note the number of traffic citations involving disabled persons, legally blind persons, or mobility impaired persons.

#### **Driver License Examinations:**

Currently, the Florida Driver's Handbook, 2012, contains section 5.16.3 entitled "Persons Who are Blind" which includes advice as to how to recognize a blind pedestrian and which also states that "[d]rivers must always yield the right-of-way to persons who are blind. When a pedestrian is crossing a street or highway guided by a dog or carrying a white cane (or a white cane with a red tip), vehicles must come to a complete stop." Also, the Florida Driver's Handbook, 2012, contains section 5.16.4, entitled "Mobility-Impaired Persons", which states that "[d]rivers must yield the right-of-way to mobility-impaired persons and pedestrians utilizing the assistance of a guide dog or service animal. When a pedestrian is crossing a public street or highway and the pedestrian is using a walker, a crutch, or an orthopedic cane or wheelchair, **vehicles must come to a complete stop.**"

Currently, Driver's License exams are formulated by pulling random questions from a large pool of questions. Questions about mobility impaired persons or blind pedestrians may be, but are not guaranteed to be, tested on current driver's license examinations.

#### **Traffic Law and Substance Abuse Education Courses:**

Currently, s. 322.095, F.S., requires that the curricula for the courses developed under that section "must provide instruction on the physiological and psychological consequences of the abuse of alcohol and other drugs, the societal and economic costs of alcohol and drug abuse, the effects of alcohol and drug abuse on the driver of a motor vehicle, and the laws of this State relating to the operation of a motor vehicle." There is not presently any requirement to include s. 316.1301, F.S., or the traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired persons in the curricula under s. 322.095, F.S.

#### **Law Enforcement Basic Skills Course Curricula:**

According to FDLE, "the study of traffic laws to assist the blind is specifically covered throughout the law enforcement basic recruit training curriculum. The curriculum addresses types of blindness and their definitions, and additionally directs the basic recruit student to make special accommodations for suspects, victims and witnesses who are visually impaired. Law enforcement basic recruit trainees are provided similar guidance with regard to traffic regulations to assist the blind."<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>5</sup> "2010 Florida Uniform Traffic Citation Statistics Report" cover letter, Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, last viewed on 1/23/2012, <http://www.flhsmv.gov/reports/2010UTCStats/UTCCoverLetter.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> "SENATE BILL #1192 Relating to Persons With Disabilities" analysis, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Jan 13, 2012, on file with the Transportation Committee.

The following is excerpted from the 2010 law enforcement basic recruit textbook:

## **Chapter 4—Human Issues**

According to the ADA, an individual with a disability is a person who has a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits a major life activity, has a record of such impairment, or is regarded as having such an impairment (IN006.1.I.6.). An **impairment** is defined as any mental or physiological condition that impedes the completion of daily tasks using traditional methods. Examples of impairments are blindness, severe breathing limitation, deafness, inability to use arms or legs, paranoia, or schizophrenia.

**IN006.1.J.3.** Define blindness and partially sighted.

### **Vision Impairments**

Vision impairment refers to a loss or partial loss of vision. There are several types and degrees of visual impairments. People who have visual impairments, such as blindness or partial sight, meet the ADA definition of disability.

The types of vision impairments that an officer will encounter most often are blindness and partial sight. **Blindness** is a functional loss of vision. This definition applies both to people who cannot see at all (are unable to distinguish light from dark) and people who have some vision in one or both eyes. In fact, 80 to 90 percent of people who are blind or visually impaired have some vision. **Partial sight** is a visual impairment in which, after correction, objects still look dim or out of focus. People with partial sight may not see color well or at all or may lack peripheral vision, but they can still see and even read with magnifiers or other aids. (IN006.1.J.3.)

An officer should make special accommodations for suspects, victims, and witnesses who are visually impaired. When people cannot see, they may be afraid. The officer should reassure a crime victim that the assailant is no longer present. A person with a visual impairment who is arrested must be given large-print versions of any written documents that require the suspect's signature or have the documents read to him or her. A witness with a visual impairment may provide useful and reliable nonvisual observations. People deprived of one sense often develop their four other senses to make up for the loss. Their nonvisual observations may assist with investigations. (IN006.2.D.)

## **Chapter 5: Patrol 1**

### **IN006.1.J.4. Identify traffic regulations to assist the blind.**

An officer's job when directing traffic is to maintain safety for drivers and pedestrians. Officers should be especially aware of pedestrians who are totally or partially blind, guided by a dog, or carrying a white cane or a white cane tipped in red. F.S. § 316.1301 states:

Whenever a pedestrian is crossing, or attempting to cross, a public street or highway, guided by a dog guide or carrying in a raised or extended position a cane or walking stick

which is white in color or white tipped with red, the driver of every vehicle approaching the intersection or place where the pedestrian is attempting to cross shall bring his or her vehicle to a full stop before arriving at such intersection or place of crossing and, before proceeding, shall take such precautions as may be necessary to avoid injuring such pedestrian. A person who is convicted of a violation of this subsection is guilty of a moving violation.

While a white tipped cane or guide dog are clues of a pedestrian's partial or total blindness, all pedestrians should be afforded the same rights when crossing a public street or highway. Officers should also be aware that it is unlawful for any person not partially or totally blind or otherwise incapacitated to carry a white cane in a raised or extended way. Any person convicted of such a violation is guilty of a misdemeanor of the second degree. (IN006.1.J.4.)<sup>7</sup>

### **Driver's Education Courses in Secondary Schools:**

Currently, the district school board determines the manner in which the curricula for courses is developed pursuant to s. 1003.48, F.S. As such, the curricula may vary between districts and there is no set requirement to study s. 316.1301, F.S., or traffic laws to assist legally blind and mobility impaired persons.

### **III. Effect of Proposed Changes:**

**Section 1** of this bill creates a new unnumbered section of the Florida Statutes which requires law enforcement agencies to report crimes affecting persons with disabilities, legally blind persons, and persons who are mobility impaired to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE); and to report violations of s. 316.1301, F.S., entitled "traffic regulations to assist blind persons," any other violations of traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, and incidents of crashes involving such persons to the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles (DHSMV). FDLE and DHSMV are authorized to provide procedures to collect and maintain such reports in the same manner as other similar reports are collected.

**Section 2** of this bill amends s. 322.12, F.S., so that driver license exams for Class E and commercial licenses must include one question testing the applicants knowledge of s. 316.1301, F.S, and other traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, with particular emphasis given to pedestrian right of way when a driver is making a right turn at an intersection.

**Section 3** of this bill amends s. 322.095, F.S., in order to add the study of s. 316.1301, F.S, as well as other traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, to the course curricula for traffic law and substance abuse education courses.

<sup>7</sup> For complete descriptions, go to [http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/Content/getdoc/8c0fb0b7-3ef5-4cf2-ab9e-6627bb0f2037/FLBRC-LEV1-2011-07-\(1\).aspx](http://www.fdle.state.fl.us/Content/getdoc/8c0fb0b7-3ef5-4cf2-ab9e-6627bb0f2037/FLBRC-LEV1-2011-07-(1).aspx)

**Section 4** of this bill amends s. 943.17, F.S., to add the study of s. 316.1301, F.S, as well as other traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, to the curricula of every basic skills course required for law enforcement officers to obtain initial certification.

**Section 5** of this bill amends s. 1003.48, F.S., in order to add the mandatory study of s. 316.1301, F.S, as well as other traffic laws to assist legally blind persons and mobility impaired persons, to the course curricula of driver education programs available in secondary schools in the state.

**Section 6** of this bill creates an effective date of July 1, 2012.

**Other Potential Implications:**

FDLE requests the effective date be moved to January 1, 2013 in order to begin collection in line with current UCR submission guidelines.<sup>8</sup>

**IV. Constitutional Issues:**

A. Municipality/County Mandates Restrictions:

None.

B. Public Records/Open Meetings Issues:

None.

C. Trust Funds Restrictions:

None.

**V. Fiscal Impact Statement:**

A. Tax/Fee Issues:

None.

B. Private Sector Impact:

**Section 3:** There are 22 organizations that provide courses amended by this bill and which will likely experience a direct, but indeterminate fiscal impact due to the need to expand the curricula to meet the bill requirements.

C. Government Sector Impact:

**FDLE:** “There is no cost associated with including these provisions in the law enforcement basic recruit training [section 4] because the existing curriculum already

<sup>8</sup> “SENATE BILL #1192 Relating to Persons With Disabilities” analysis, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Jan 13, 2012, on file with the Transportation Committee.

addresses the issue. Also, FDLE would require 512 hours of contract programming (\$38,400) and equipment in the amount of \$2,000 to complete this project” (section 1).<sup>9</sup>

**DHSMV:** The provisions of section 1 will likely cause an indeterminate fiscal impact on DHSMV. The provisions of section 2 may cause an indeterminate fiscal impact on DHSMV which will likely be minor because, according to DHSMV, “[t]he modifications to include the question would be simple.”<sup>10</sup>

**Local Law Enforcement Agencies:** The provisions of section 1 will likely cause an indeterminate but significant fiscal impact on local law enforcement agencies due to having to rework their current reporting systems.

**School Districts:** The provisions of section 5 may cause an indeterminate fiscal impact on local school districts; however, it will likely be minimal.

**VI. Technical Deficiencies:**

None.

**VII. Related Issues:**

None.

**VIII. Additional Information:**

**A. Committee Substitute – Statement of Substantial Changes:**

(Summarizing differences between the Committee Substitute and the prior version of the bill.)

None.

**B. Amendments:**

None.

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This Senate Bill Analysis does not reflect the intent or official position of the bill’s introducer or the Florida Senate.

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<sup>9</sup> “SENATE BILL #1192 Relating to Persons With Disabilities” analysis, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Jan 13, 2012, on file with the Transportation Committee.

<sup>10</sup> Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, *Agency Bill Analysis, SB 1974* (on file with the Senate Transportation Committee)

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IV. Action Items

- C) Review and Recommend Approval of the 2012 Volusia County Bicycling Map for the Experienced Cyclist

**Background Information:**

The Volusia County Bicycling Map for the Experienced Cyclist is a portable, countywide graphic representation of bicycle facilities and suggested bicycle routes. The map is intended for use as a navigation tool by experienced bicyclists and the public. This is the first revision of the bicycle map originally published in 2009.

The draft 2012 Volusia County Bicycling Map for the Experienced Cyclist will be provided under separate cover.

*Action Requested:*

*Motion to recommend approval of the 2012 Volusia County Bicycling Map for the Experienced Cyclist*

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V. Presentations and Discussion Items

A) Update on the Corridor Improvement Program (CIP) PHASE I: Assessment of US 1/SR 5

**Background Information:**

The Corridor Improvement Program (CIP) is Task 5.08 in the Volusia TPO's adopted Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). Under this task, the TPO is pursuing coordinated efforts to help improve the safety and operational efficiency of corridors for all users of the transportation system.

The Phase I Assessment of the US 1/SR 5 corridor includes the collection and review of pertinent studies, plans and analyses that have been completed to-date. This includes, but is not limited to PD&E's, crash data, master plans, transportation concurrency exception areas (TCEA's), comprehensive plans, transportation studies, community redevelopment area (CRA) plans, overlay districts, and the Transit Development Plan (TDP). The US 1/SR 5 corridor review and assessment activities are being conducted concurrently in the following sections:

- Section 1: US 1/SR 5 Rose Bay north to I-95 in Ormond Beach
- Section 2: US 1/SR 5 Rose Bay south to the Brevard County line

This assessment is being undertaken with an eye towards identifying conflicts and commonalities between the identified plans and studies.

Kittelson & Associates, Inc. is the consultant that is conducting this study and they will be providing the committees and TPO Board with an update on the status of this assessment.

*Action Requested:*

*No action is required unless otherwise directed by the BPAC*

## Summary of Studies/Plans/Documents Pertaining to U.S. 1 Corridor Improvement Program

### **FDOT**

US 1 Transportation Study (AIS)  
Build Geometry for Design/Build  
US 1 Traffic Operations Studies  
Daytona Airport Connector - SIS Connectors Assess.  
Daytona Greyhound Connector - SIS Connectors Assess.  
Sidewalk Gap Initiative  
ISB Coalition  
US 1 Scenic Highway Corridor Management Plan  
US 1 AIS Intersection Analyses  
River to Sea Loop PD&E  
FDOT Plans for US 1 at Reed Canal  
FDOT Plans for US 1 at Big Tree  
FDOT Plans for US 1 at SR 421/Herbert Street  
FDOT Plans for US 1/Canal St  
US 1 at Nova Road

### **Volusia County**

US 1 Zoning Change in Ormond Beach  
US 1 at 10th Street Improvements Preferred Alternative Figure  
US 1 at 10th Street Plans  
Hurricane Evacuation Routes  
Freight Study  
Comprehensive Plan  
Economic Development Strategic Plan  
CPA Ordinance 2009-01  
Trails Plan  
Enterprise Florida funds  
Airport Road at US 1

### **Volusia TPO**

Transportation Improvement Plan  
List of Prioritized SIS Roadway Projects  
Transit Corridor Feasibility Analysis Study  
Applications for XU Bicycle/Ped Projects  
Countywide Emergency Vehicle Preemption Study  
LRTP (Including Transit Element)  
BPSSRS Projects  
MPO Bike/Ped Plan (2005)  
Cambell Middle (Daytona Beach)  
Chisholm Elementary (New Smyrna Beach)  
Edgewater Elementary  
Holly Hill Elementary  
Indian River Elementary (Edgewater)  
New Smyrna Beach Elementary  
Ormond Beach Elementary  
Ormond Beach Middle  
Port Orange Elementary  
Read-Patillo Elementary (New Smyrna Beach)  
South Daytona Elementary  
Sugar Mill Elementary (Port Orange)  
Turie T. Small Elementary (Daytona Beach)  
30th St. Sidewalk (Edgewater)  
Fremont Ave. (Daytona Beach)  
Garfield Dr. Sidewalk (South Daytona)  
Golfview Blvd. Bike Path (South Daytona)  
Mango Tree Dr./27th St. Sidewalk (Edgewater)  
Mary Ave. Sidewalk (New Smyrna Beach)  
Ormond Beach Multi-Use Paths  
Ridge Blvd. Shared Use Path (South Daytona)  
Riverside Dr. (Holly Hill)  
Tomoka State Park Trail (Ormond Beach)

## Summary of Studies/Plans/Documents Pertaining to U.S. 1 Corridor Improvement Program

### City of Oak Hill

US 1 (Canal to Putnam Grove Rd) Sidewalk Feasibility Study  
Burns School Signal Warrant Study  
Sign Ordinance  
Farmton Development Order

### City of Edgewater

US 1 Access Management Study  
Ridgewood Avenue Corridor Design Regulations  
Southeast Volusia Regional Transportation Study  
Impact Fee Study, 2004  
Restoration DRI  
Sidewalk from Volco to 10th Street  
Comprehensive Plan  
Envision Edgewater- Economic Development Strategic Plan  
Envision Edgewater- Community Redevelopment Planning 2011  
Envision Edgewater- Redevelopment Area Ordinance  
Envision Edgewater- Incentive Information  
Edgewater Vision Book  
Finding of Necessity for the CRA

### City of South Daytona

South Ridgewood Ave. Corridor Design Guidelines  
CRA Masterplan  
CRA Annual Report  
City's Golf Cart Study  
Brownfield Documentation  
City Plans for US 1 at Ridge Blvd.  
TCEA Validation Report  
Reed Canal Sidewalk Feasibility Study Application  
Comprehensive Plan  
U.S. 1 Plans for Streetscaping/ Undergrounding

### VoTran

Bus Route Schedules and Maps East Volusia  
Transit Development Design Guidelines  
2008 Accessing Transit Design Handbook  
Eastside Transit Study  
Transit Development Plan

### City of New Smyrna Beach

LDR Changes (covers all of US 1)  
Comprehensive Plan  
CRA Masterplan  
Sidewalk Master Plan  
Airport Master Plan  
FEC Redevelopment Plans (New N/S Connector Road)  
Gateway Landscaping US1 and Canal St.  
Mary Avenue Streetscape Project, from Myrtle to US 1  
Orange St. Streetscape Project  
Washington St. Streetscape  
SR44 and US1 Median & ROW Landscaping  
Signage and Wayfinding Project  
US 1 Gateway Signs

### City of Port Orange

TDM/TSM Program Manual  
TCEA Justification Report  
3R Resurfacing Project Comments  
Comprehensive Plan  
Riverwalk Plans  
US 1 Streetscaping Plans  
Port Orange Town Center CRA  
Eastport Business Center Spruce Rd. Construction  
Ridgewood Corridor Plan  
Eastport Business Center CRA

## Summary of Studies/Plans/Documents Pertaining to U.S. 1 Corridor Improvement Program

### **City of Daytona Beach**

Overlay District  
City Wayfinding RFP  
TCEA Amendment  
Area Wide Traffic Study by GMB  
Bellevue at US 1  
East Coast Greenway  
Land Development Code revision  
Comprehensive Plan  
Orange Ave. Improvements  
Ballough Master Plan  
Mid-Town Master Plan  
Downtown CRA Masterplan  
Riverfront Master Plan  
ISB Streetscape (west of US 1)  
ISB Streetscape (east of US 1)  
Beach Street Road Diet  
Visioning Plans

### **City of Holly Hill**

Comprehensive Plan  
CRA Masterplan  
2nd Street Streetscape Improvements  
Quentin Hampton Drainage Study

### **City of Ormond Beach**

Downtown Design Guidelines  
Multi-Modal Strategy  
City of OB Small Area Transportation Study  
US 1/I-95 IMR  
US 1 Corridor Finding of Necessity Study  
FDOT US1 and SR40 Intersection Analysis and Alt. Evaluation  
EECBG Study  
2010-2025 LOS Roadway Assessment  
Ormond Crossings CRA Documentation  
Downtown-Wide Stormwater Basin Study-Draft  
Streetscape Concept (Wilmette Ave to I-95)  
Comprehensive Plan  
Redevelopment Regulations  
CRA Masterplan Update  
Strategic Plan for Economic Development

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B) Presentation and Discussion of Transportation Issues in the DeLeon Springs Community

**Background Information:**

The January 11, 2012 BPAC meeting featured a presentation on the River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Vision Plan for DeLeon Springs. The Vision Plan included a Master Plan with recommendations for improving the character, multi-modal connectivity and livability in DeLeon Springs.

This month, Ms. Amy Munizzi, DeLeon Springs Community Association, will deliver a brief presentation, followed by a discussion of transportation issues in the DeLeon Springs Community.

*Action Requested:*

*No action is required unless otherwise directed by the BPAC*

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C) Video Presentation on Pedestrian Safety Enforcement at Crosswalks

**Background Information:**

Dr. Malenfant and Dr. Van Houten, the two senior researchers at the Center for Education and Research in Safety (CERS), have been providing pedestrian and bicycle safety enforcement workshops for more than 20 years. They have recently developed a research based, comprehensive, low-cost police enforcement campaign that is easy to implement. It is designed to produce robust increases in drivers yielding to pedestrians at crosswalks while generating interested agency buy-in, positive media and community support. The Volusia TPO is working with CERS to provide Pedestrian Safety Police Enforcement Workshops to the cities of Daytona Beach Shores, DeLand, Flagler Beach and Holly Hill.

*Action Requested:*

*No action is required unless otherwise directed by the BPAC*

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Florida SRTS Updates  
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## Florida Updates: State

**Important Note from Pat:** You might want to skip down to the first article in the National news section before reading the rest of this newsletter. The House Transportation Bill is moving quickly, and if you want to express your opinions on it, you only have a little time to do so.

**State Pedestrian/Bicycle Coordinator Retires:** State Pedestrian/Bicycle Coordinator Dennis Scott has decided the time has come to retire, and his last day in the office was today, January 31. He has been wishing to retire for several years, and things fell into place for him to do so now. The FDOT Safety Office gave him a nice retirement reception last Monday, and many of you participated by submitting farewell wishes for the electronic retirement card which Ginger Hoke put together for Dennis. Dennis plans to enjoy life by bicycling and travelling more, but would be open to short-term consultant work in the future. Let's all wish Dennis well in his future endeavors!

The position of the Pedestrian/Bicycle Coordinator has been updated and should be advertised soon. Watch People First for the vacancy announcement, go to <https://jobs.myflorida.com/joblist.html> and search for jobs in Category: Transportation in the West region of Florida.

**Safe Routes to School Florida Network:** In early January it was announced that Florida was selected as one of seven states to benefit from new funding for Safe Routes to School Networks. The SRTS National Partnership is in the process of accepting applications for these new positions and holding telephone interviews. If you are interested in the Florida Network Advocacy Organizer position, you must hurry. Applications are due by 5:00 pm Pacific time (8:00 pm Eastern time) on Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Since Florida is such a big state and much of the work which needs to be done is at local levels throughout Florida, the SRTS National Partnership has agreed to consider applicants from as far away as Central Florida.

See the job announcement at: <http://www.saferoutespartnership.org/about/contacts/state-advocacy-organizers>, and also [please see the detailed job description](#) for additional details. We hope to have the new Advocacy Organizer in place on March 1, 2012. The position is scheduled to be funded for about three years, and continue after that time thanks to the fundraising which is part of this person's duties.

In the meantime, with Heather Murphy's help, I coordinated the January conference call/webinar. We had a guest presenter, James Shapard from the City of Charlotte, North Carolina, who gave a PowerPoint presentation on the benefits and costs of Complete Streets. The bottom line is that, although the pedestrian and bicycle facilities may cost a bit more initially, considering annual construction cost fluctuations and long-term benefits of these facilities, it is well worth it.

I will also coordinate the February conference call/webinar, and it should go smoother now that I have the first one under my belt and know what I need to do. We will use Go to Webinar this time, so we won't be limited by the number of people who can participate. I plan to do a presentation on how to apply for SRTS Infrastructure projects, since a number of changes were made to the forms for this Call for Applications, and we are in an open Call for Applications until March 31.

If you registered for the January webinar/conference call, you are all set. But if you have not yet registered for these webinar/conference calls, please do so at: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/993060482>. Also, if you did not receive this information by e-mail from me, please let me know that you want to be added to the distribution list to receive future announcements about the SRTS Florida Network.

**Pedestrian Assessment:** As announced in the last Update, five national pedestrian safety experts recently conducted a Pedestrian Assessment for Florida, under the leadership of the State Safety Office and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). This was only the second such Assessment done by NHTSA, and the Assessors were very impressed by the number of initiatives and people working on pedestrian and bicycle issues in Florida. They found that the biggest need was for more coordination among these people and groups, so everyone is heading in the same direction. I am hopeful that many good initiatives will come from the Assessment. With the huge challenges facing Florida in this area, we need everyone working together to make the best progress. Stay tuned for more information after the report is finalized.

**Impacts of Restriping inside Lanes to 11 Feet or Less to Create Wider outside Curb Lanes for Bicyclists:** Mary Anne Koos, Special Projects Coordinator from the Roadway Design Office says:

*Below is a summary of research that we have just completed on restriping existing roadways to improve conditions for cyclists. Through the research we were able to demonstrate that restriping roadways to narrow the inside lane and increase the width of the outside lane results in increased separation between overtaking drivers and cyclists. We also found a "sweet spot" in the lane that achieves maximum separation, and that was 3-4' from the face of curb. The full summary and the complete analysis can be found at the link below.*

Here is an excerpt from the report:

*Statistical analysis of these data showed clearly that lateral spacing between motor vehicles and cyclists was strongly influenced by the width of the outside lane. Motorists passed closer to cyclists when the outside lane was narrower, the inside lane was occupied by other vehicles, the passing vehicle was smaller, and the cyclist was male. Study findings suggested that passing vehicles were more likely to move into an inside lane when the outside lane was narrower, when lane changing conditions were unrestricted, or when the cyclist was female. Motorists tended to move from the outside to the inside lane when they noticed a cyclist downstream. Generally, drivers reduced speeds while passing cyclists and accelerated afterward.*

To see the research summary or the whole report, go to [http://www.dot.state.fl.us/research-center/Completed\\_RD.shtm](http://www.dot.state.fl.us/research-center/Completed_RD.shtm) and look for BDK-82-977-01.

**Pocket Guide to Florida Transportation Trends and Conditions – 2011:** A recent announcement said:

*The Florida Department of Transportation Office of Policy Planning is pleased to release the **Pocket Guide to Florida Transportation Trends and Conditions - 2011**. Printed copies will be available in a few weeks and will be sent to FDOT districts and Florida Turnpike Enterprise, Metropolitan Planning Organizations, counties and major cities. A PDF version is available at: <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/planning/trends/pg11.pdf>.*

*To request copies, please contact Shelby Calloway at [shelby.calloway@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:shelby.calloway@dot.state.fl.us) or 850-414-4800. For comments and questions, please contact Monica Zhong at [monica.zhong@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:monica.zhong@dot.state.fl.us).*

## Florida Updates: Local

**Free Class Will Teach Adults about Bicycle Safety:** This recent article includes these quotes:

*In order to educate bicyclists about safety, (Julie) Bond and Jason Jackman will teach a [BikeSmart Tampa Bay](#) class for adult cyclists 18 and older who are riding bikes or want to begin riding bikes for transportation in the Tampa area.*

*The free class will take place on Feb. 4 from 9-10:30 a.m. at the [Temple Terrace Family Recreation Complex](#). Attendees will learn:*

- Florida bicycle laws;
- the basic rules of riding on the road;
- the four common crash types; and
- the five rules of safety

*BikeSmart Tampa Bay provides education to bicyclists of all levels in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties, and offers education for motorists who want to learn more about sharing the road with cyclists. BikeSmart is sponsored by the Florida Department of Transportation District 7 and managed by the Center for Urban Transportation Research at USF...*

To reserve a seat in the class, call 813-974-9799 or email [bond@cutr.usf.edu](mailto:bond@cutr.usf.edu).

Read more at: <http://templeterrace.patch.com/articles/class-will-teach-adults-about-bicycle-safety>.

**Video of children training other children about conspicuity:** I may have included this before, but here's a link to a Hospital in Jacksonville with an excellent video showing kids training kids about safety in the dark: <http://www.wolfsonchildrens.org/programs-services/programs/safe-kids/Pages/walkingsafelyvideo.aspx>.

## News from Other States and Countries

**L.A. County to widen sidewalks to fight obesity:** Although the title sounds like an oxymoron, the article is really about a Complete Streets effort. The recent USA Today article includes this quote:

*"Obesity rates go up where people have no choice but to get in the car," says Ben Saltsman, planning deputy for Supervisor Zev Yaroslavky, the newspaper reports. "Wider sidewalks and bike lanes will help give people another option."*

The new ordinance requires five-foot shaded sidewalks and bike parking on all new development. Read more at: <http://tinyurl.com/84tpgz8>.

## National News

**Transportation Bill Updates:** Three e-mail updates on the House Transportation Bill came out today. If you want to express your opinions, you will need to act quickly. Here are a few excerpts:

- **From the Safe Routes to School National Partnership:**

*It's so much worse than we thought. Today, the House releases its transportation bill, the American Energy and Infrastructure Jobs Act. We expected the bill to be bad news for bicycling and walking, but we didn't think it would go so far as to reverse all progress we have made in the past twenty years.*

*The House Transportation Committee will vote Thursday, February 2, on whether to approve this bill or amend it to include bicycling and walking programs. Take action now—[tell your representative to restore bicycling and walking](#) in the Transportation Committee.*

*Why the urgency? House leaders are exerting pressure to completely cut bicycling and walking out of transportation. Lawmakers seem to have gone through line-by-line to gut programs that make streets safer. Some of the more devastating provisions in the bill include:*

- Destroys Transportation Enhancements by removing the dedicated funding;
- Repeals the Safe Routes to School program, leaving communities without basic tools and funding to protect kids on the trip to school;
- Allows states to build bridges without safe access for pedestrians and bicycles; and
- Eliminates bicycle and pedestrian and Safe Routes to School coordinators in state DOTs.

*But there's still a chance to save federal bicycling and walking funding. This week, Representative Petri (R-WI) plans to offer an amendment that restores dedicated funding for Transportation Enhancements and Safe Routes to School. Rep. Petri can only be successful if you and everyone else with a stake in safe sidewalks, crosswalks and bikeways [contact their Representatives today](#).*

*This is as urgent as it gets. If members of the Transportation Committee are going to stand up to House leadership by supporting biking and walking, they will need to know their constituents are behind them. Please [contact Congress today](#) and ask them to preserve dedicated funding for biking and walking.*

• **From Rails to Trails Conservancy:**

You have by now likely heard of the atrocious U.S. House of Representatives Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) Committee draft surface transportation reauthorization bill. Among its worst features are:

- It eliminates dedicated funding for the Transportation Enhancements (TE) program—the nation's largest funding source for trails, walking and bicycling. (We expected this.)
- It removes the rail-trail category from TE eligibility.
- It completely eliminates funding for the Safe Routes to School program.
- It eliminates funding for bicycle and pedestrian coordinators at state DOTs...

• **From Transportation for America:**

Today the House released its transportation bill to the public. We're still reading and evaluating the overall bill, but we have a chance in the next 24 hours to help fix our bridges, and restore the dedicated funding that makes our roads safer for people on foot or bike, which was eliminated...

Please express your support for amendments to fix both those shortcomings:

Rep. Petri (R-WI) will offer an amendment that restores dedicated funding for the Transportation Enhancements and Safe Routes to School programs.

A second amendment will require states to prioritize repairing bridges first, unless their bridges are in good condition —providing much-needed accountability that states are taking care of the most pressing problems first.

• **From League of American Bicyclists:**

Moments ago, Congressman John Mica (R-FL) announced the introduction of the [American Energy and Infrastructure Jobs Act](#). The proposed bill eliminates dedicated funding for bicycling and walking as we feared, and it goes much further and systematically removes bicycling from the Federal transportation program. It basically eliminates our status and standing in the planning and design of our transportation system -- a massive step backwards for individuals, communities and our nation. It's a step back to a 1950s highway- and auto-only program that makes no sense in the 21st century.

The bill reverses 20 years of progress by:

- destroying Transportation Enhancements by making it optional;
- repealing the Safe Routes to School program, reversing years of progress in creating safe ways for kids to walk and ride bicycles to school;
- allowing states to build bridges without safe access for pedestrians and bicycles;
- eliminating bicycle and pedestrian coordinators in state DOTs; and
- eliminating language that insures that rumble strips "do not adversely affect the safety or mobility of bicyclists, pedestrians or the disabled."

On Thursday, the House Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) Committee will mark-up the bill and Representatives Petri (R-WI) and Johnson (R-IL) will sponsor an amendment that restores dedicated funding for Transportation Enhancements and Safe Routes to School. Representatives Petri and Johnson can only be successful if everyone with a stake in safe sidewalks, crosswalks, and bikeways [contacts their representative](#) today...

Stay in touch by visiting [bikeleague.org](http://bikeleague.org) and [americabikes.org](http://americabikes.org) for background and breaking news.

**The Bicycling and Walking in the United States: 2012 Benchmarking Report:** This report was released last week. An article in the Los Angeles Times, **U.S. states and cities ranked for biking, walking habits**, includes this quote:

*The Bicycling and Walking in the United States: 2012 Benchmarking Report, released by the Alliance for Biking & Walking, provides a look at commuting by cycling and walking in the U.S., how safe those commutes are, and where transportation funding is going -- or not going -- to promote these alternative means of local travel.*

Read more of the article at: <http://tinyurl.com/7xqp92f>, and download and read the report at: <http://tinyurl.com/7vyqfif>.

**Bicycle Friendly America Deadlines:** the January 30 American Bicyclist Update includes this notice:

*Bicycle Friendly America (BFA) application deadlines are approaching, and if you want your community, business, university or state to be judged, please adhere to the following deadlines:*

- [Bicycle Friendly University](#) - February 3, 2012
- [Bicycle Friendly Community](#) - February 17, 2012
- [Bicycle Friendly State](#) - March 5, 2012

Not mentioned in this article, the deadline for Bicycle Friendly Businesses is June 22, 2012

**CDC Website on Association of State and Territorial Public Health Nutrition Directors:** I just heard about a great resource from the CDC which will be of interest to many SRTS advocates: <http://tinyurl.com/7ybffc>. Although the website is primarily for nutrition directors, the conference calls and presentations going back to 2005 actually cover topics like nutrition, physical activity, coalition-building, policy issues, SRTS, Complete Streets and more. I ran out of time to explore the presentations, so I provided reviews of the first few and also included links to others which you might want to take a look at:

- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call June 9, 2011](#), *Partnering with Schools and School Systems to Improve Outcomes for Kids*. This is generic and deals with the challenges of working with schools on any topic.
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call April 14, 2011](#), *Advancing Equity through Policy, Systems, and Environmental Change*. This describes the differences between Communities of Opportunity and Low-Income Communities, and shows the 9-step Ladder for Policy Change, among other topics. It also includes a great quote from Gloria Steinem which can apply to the SRTS movement:  
  
*"We are still standing on the bank of the river, rescuing people who are drowning. We have not gone to the head of the river to keep them from falling in. That is the 21st century task."*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call March 10, 2011](#), *Let's Move*. This describes the accomplishments of Let's Move in the first year and plans for the future.
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call October 14, 2010](#), *Active School Neighborhood Checklist*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call August 12, 2010](#), *Educating & Advocating for Policy, Systems & Environments*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call July 8, 2010](#), *How to Access and Leverage State and Federal Transportation Funds*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call April 8, 2010](#), *State Indicator Report on Physical Activity, 2010*
- [CDC-DNPAO Training March 2010 Day #1 Morning](#), *Master Plans for Success*
- [CDC-DNPAO Training March 2010 Day #1 Afternoon](#), *Master Plans for Success*
- [CDC-DNPAO Training March 2010 Day #2 Morning](#), *Master Plans for Success*
- [CDC-DNPAO Training March 2010 Day #2 Afternoon](#), *Master Plans for Success*
- [CDC-DNPAO Training March 2010 Day #3 Morning](#), *Master Plans for Success*
- [CDC-DNPAO Training March 2010 Day #3 Additional Info](#), *Dr. J Sharkey's Handouts*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call February 11, 2010](#), *Public Health: A Foundation for Planning Efforts in Outdoor Recreation*
- [CDC/DNPAO Conference Call Jan 14, 2010](#), *State of the Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call December 10, 2009](#), *Moving Forward: the National Plan for Physical Activity*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call July 9, 2009](#), *National Society of Physical Activity Practitioners in Public Health*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call April 9, 2009](#), *Completing Streets: Transforming our Communities for Active Living*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call March 12, 2009](#), *Cost Effectiveness of Community-Based Physical Activity Interventions*
- [CDC-DNPAO Conference Call February 12, 2009](#), *Jennifer Kohr; A New Online Training: Social Marketing for Nutrition and Physical Activity*
- [CDC DNPAO February 14, 2008](#), *Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity Update*
- [CDC DNPAO December 13, 2007](#), *Quality Physical Education: Standards, Guidelines, and Resources*
- [CDC DNPAO November 9, 2007](#), *The Convergence Partnership for Healthy Eating and Active Living*
- [CDC DNPA Sept 13, 2007](#), *National Center on Physical Activity and Disability: Working Together to Meet the Needs of People with Disabilities*

- [CDC DNPA Aug 9, 2007](#), *Expert Committee Recommendations on the Assessment, Prevention and Treatment of Child and Adolescent Overweight and Obesity*
- [CDC DNPA July 12, 2007](#), *Disseminating Evidence-Based Public Health Interventions*
- [CDC DNPA March 8, 2007](#), *Advancing a United States Movement for Healthy Eating and Active Living*
- [CDC-DNPAO September 11, 2008](#), *8 Steps to Effective Coalition Building*
- [CDC DNPAO May 8, 2008](#), *Physical Activity and Nutrition Policies and Programs in the Nation's Schools: Are We Making Progress?*
- [CDC DNPA April 13, 2006](#), *Beyond Wheeling Walks: Enhanced Planning, Environment, and Policy*
- [CDC DNPA December 14, 2006](#), *Getting Kids Physically Active: Training After-School Staff to Promote Physical Activity to All Youth*
- [CDC DNPA September 14, 2006](#), *Safe Routes to School: An Update on Programs, Practice and How Public Health is Playing a Role*
- [CDC DNPA June 8, 2006](#), *Healthy America: Wellness Where We Live, Work, and Learn*
- [CDC DNPA Dec 8, 2005](#), *Pedometers and Public Health*
- [CDC DNPA Nov 10, 2005](#), *Health Impact Assessment*

I encourage you to take a look at these resources and to recommend presentations which you found especially helpful. I'm sure you will find many resources which pertain to can easily be adapted to your work.

**Grant Opportunity from Lowe's:** This grant opportunity which might be used to support SRTS efforts was reported in Montana's January SRTS newsletter:

*"Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation (LCEF) knows how hard you work for your kids and your community and we're dedicated to helping your parent-teacher group achieve even more for your school. Apply for our Toolbox for Education Grant now and build on your already impressive parent group success with Lowe's.*

*"For more than 60 years, Lowe's has supported the communities we call home. At a time when schools and community groups are struggling to make ends meet, Lowe's Charitable and Educational Foundation recognizes that we must increase our focus on basic, one-time project needs.*

*"Again, this year, we challenge ourselves to seek ways to provide the tools that help our educators and parent groups through these challenging times efficiently and with the greatest impact. In 2011-2012, basic needs will take priority. Please keep this focus in mind as you [apply for a Toolbox for Education grant in the 2011-2012 academic year](#). Thank you."*

*Note: The Spring 2012 cycle is now open. The deadline for submitting applications for this grant cycle is February 17, 2012 5 pm EST. However, if 1500 applications are received before the application deadline, then the application process will close.*

## Florida & National Calendar of Events & Training Opportunities

✓ Indicates new items      Calendar items are repeated until events are held      All times are Eastern unless noted

### 2012:

#### February:

- ✓ **February 1, deadline for proposals for Pro-Walk/Pro-Bike Conference:** More info: [Call for Proposals](#).
- ✓ **February 2-4, Sun, Surf, and Smart Growth:** The 11th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth Conference, San Diego, CA. More info: [www.newpartners.org](http://www.newpartners.org).
- ✓ **February 6-7, The Future of Cities 2012: Investment for Urban Growth,** London, UK. More info: <http://www.chathamhouse.org/cities2012?campaign=Elsevier>
- ✓ **February 6-10, deadlines for proposals for American Public Health Association meeting** which will be held October 27-31 in San Francisco. Click here to [start your abstract submission](#).
- ✓ **February 8-10, Sustainable Communities Conference;** Ottawa, Ontario. More Info: <http://www.fcm.ca/home/events/2012-sustainable-communities-conference-and-trade-show.htm>

- ✓ **February 12-16, ATSSA - American Traffic Safety Services Assn. Convention and Traffic Expo;** Tampa, FL. More info: <http://www.atssa.com/MeetingsEvents/2012Expo.aspx>
- ✓ **February 22-24 National Walking and Cycling Conference;** Hastings, New Zealand; "2 Walk and Cycle" Conference 2012, Hastings, NZ. More Info: <http://bit.ly/rPa6Mw> or Harding Consultants Ltd, PO Box 5512, Christchurch 8542 Phone: +64 3 3 352 5598 Fax: +64 3 3 352 0197 Cell: 027 436 3083
- ✓ **February 26-29, Conference on the Value of Play;** Clemson, SC. More info: <http://usplaycoalition.clemson.edu/blogs.php?id=3>
- ✓ **February 27-March 1, 2012 Building Sustainable Communities Conference,** Kelowna, BC, Canada. More info: <http://www.freshoutlookfoundation.org/events/bsc/2012/2012-building-sustainable-communities-conference>

#### March:

- ✓ **March 2-4 North American Handmade Bicycle Show;** Sacramento, CA. More info: <http://2012.handmadebicycleshow.com/2012-show/>.
- ✓ **March 3-5, International Conference on Sustainable Architecture and Urban Design 2012;** Penang, Malaysia More info: <http://www.conferencealerts.com/seeconf.mv?q=ca1imshh>.
- ✓ **March 4-7, ITE 2012 Technical Conference and Exhibit- Institute of Transportation Engineers;** Pasadena, CA. More info: <http://www.ite.org/conference/default.asp>.
- ✓ **March 7-8, Greenprints Conference;** Atlanta, GA. More info: <http://www.greenprints.org/>
- ✓ **March 7-9, Annual Transportation and Infrastructure Convention;** Washington, DC. More info: <http://www.infrastructureusa.org/march-7th-9th-washington-dc-5th-annual-transportation-infrastructure-convention/>
- ✓ **March 7-12, AIS Grassroots 2012 Legislative and Leadership Conference,** American Institute of Architects. More info: <http://www.aia.org/components/AIAB087176>
- ✓ **March 12-14, Active Living Research Conference, Disparities in Environments and Policies that Support Active Living,** San Diego, CA. More Info: <http://bit.ly/ofofDq>.

#### April:

- ✓ **April 3-4, Inaugural National Health Impact Assessment Meeting,** Washington, DC. More info: <http://www.regonline.com/builder/site/Default.aspx?EventID=1023434>
- ✓ **April 16-19, National Association of Recreation Resource Planners (NARRP) Annual Conference,** Baton Rouge, LA. More info: <http://bit.ly/pVVUOV>.

#### May:

- ✓ **May 7-9, Weight of the Nation Conference: *Moving Forward, Reversing the Trend*, Washington, DC,** sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity. More info: <http://www.weightofthenation.org/>. Early registration runs through March 15.
- ✓ **May 9, Bike to School Day.** Save the date and stay tuned! A newly redesigned version of [www.walktoschool.org](http://www.walktoschool.org) will be unveiled in early April with more information about Bike to School Day and new event planning resources and tools, including a new GIS-powered walking and bicycling route mapping tool.
- ✓ **May 9-12, CNU 20: The New World,** West Palm Beach, FL. This is the 20<sup>th</sup> national conference sponsored by the Congress of New Urbanism. More info: <http://bit.ly/r35AAW>.
- ✓ **May 14-17, 8th International Conference on Diet and Activity Methods (ICDAM),** Rome, Italy. Info: <http://bit.ly/sopd4p>

**June:**

- ✓ **June 14-16, Lifesavers Conference**, Orlando, FL. Info: <http://www.lifesaversconference.org/>
- ✓ **June 24-27, ITE Midwestern District and TRB 4th Urban Street Symposium**, Chicago, IL. Info: <http://bit.ly/mQHvBT>

**September:**

- ✓ **September 10-13, Pro Walk/Pro Bike® 2012**, Long Beach, California, produced by the National Center for Bicycling & Walking, and Project for Public Spaces: email Mark Plotz, [mark@bikewalk.org](mailto:mark@bikewalk.org).

**October:**

- ✓ **October 23-24, Smart Cities 2012 Conference, Amsterdam**. More Info: <http://www.smartcitiesglobal.com/events/amsterdam/>
- ✓ **October 27-31, 2012 Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, *Prevention and Wellness Across the Lifespan***, to be held in San Francisco, CA. More info: <http://apha.confex.com/apha/140am/oasys.epl>. The deadline for submission of abstracts range from February 6 thru February 10, 2012 depending on the Section, SPIG, Caucus or Forum to which you wish to submit.



## 2012 Priority Project Process Schedule

### February 2012

- TPO staff issues “call” for new projects – application packets sent out to all interested parties (Friday, February 3)
- Except as noted below, local governments are NOT required to submit a new application for a candidate project already on one of the VTPO’s Priority Project lists. However, if a local government would like for its project(s) to remain on a list for funding, that local government must submit a letter to the VTPO reaffirming its support for the project(s). Candidate projects on the list of projects ready for Feasibility Study will not be moved to the list of projects ready for Project Implementation until a Feasibility Study has been completed AND the local government has submitted an application for Project Implementation to the VTPO.
- TPO staff hosts workshops with local governments to discuss the Priority Project process and application requirements (Thursday, February 9 – VTPO Offices in Daytona Beach and Friday, February 10 – West Volusia location to be determined)

### March/April 2012

- **Deadline** to submit Priority Project applications and/or letters of support for “candidate project(s)” 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 13, 2012

### May 2012

- TCC/CAC/BPAC - TIP Subcommittee meets to rank Transportation Enhancement and Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety projects (Tuesday, May 1)
- BPAC Ranking Subcommittee meets to rank XU Bicycle/Pedestrian projects (Tuesday, May 1)
- BPAC 1<sup>st</sup> review of draft XU Bicycle/Pedestrian and Transportation Enhancement Priority Project Lists (Wednesday, May 9)
- CAC 1<sup>st</sup> review of Transportation Enhancement and Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, May 15)
- TCC 1<sup>st</sup> review of draft Transportation Enhancement and Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, May 15)

### June 2012

- BPAC 2<sup>nd</sup> review of draft XU Bicycle/Pedestrian and Transportation Enhancement Priority Project Lists (Wednesday, June 13)
- CAC 2<sup>nd</sup> review of draft Transportation Enhancement & Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, June 19)
- TCC 2<sup>nd</sup> review of draft Transportation Enhancement & Traffic Ops/ITS/Safety Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, June 19)
- 30-day public notice for public to Review the draft Priority Project Lists (Friday, June 22)
- TPO 1<sup>st</sup> review of draft Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, June 26)
- TPO staff transmits draft Transportation Enhancement list(s) to FDOT for review (Friday, June 29)

### July 2012

- Submit draft Priority Project Lists to TPO Board for 2<sup>nd</sup> review (July 10)
- TPO Board holds a Public Hearing on the Draft Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, July 24, unless meeting canceled, then Tuesday, August 28)
- TPO Board adopts Priority Project Lists (Tuesday, July 24, unless meeting canceled, then Tuesday, August 28)

### August 2012

- TPO staff compiles all of the prioritization process information (including the adopted priority lists) and transmit this information to FDOT prior to the October 1, 2012 deadline