

Citizens Traffic Task Force Newsletter Winter 2022

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The Ponte Vedra Municipal Service District

The Ponte Vedra Community Association

Sawgrass Master Association

Ponte Vedra Coalition

The Palm Valley Community Association

The Plantation at Ponte Vedra Beach

Sawgrass Players Club Master Association

Marsh Landing
Master Association

Ponte Vedra Lakes Owners Association

CTTF Continues to Lobby State Legislative Delegation for PVB Intersection Funding

Welcome to the Ponte Vedra Beach Citizen's Traffic Task Force Winter 2022 Newsletter. As we have for the previous three years, on October 1st, 2021, a member of the CTTF Board presented a formal request to our St. Johns County Legislative Delegation for funding to address improvements to the remaining intersections along A1A in Ponte Vedra Beach. The request was made at the delegation's annual public meeting held in the St. Johns County Auditorium in St. Augustine. State Senator Travis Hutson, and Representatives Cyndi Stevenson and Paul Renner have made it a priority during the past three years to support allocations in the state budget for roadway improvements in our community. Our formal request for the coming legislative session was for \$1.0 M which, if approved, would likely be allocated to the design of the changes required for improvements to the Sawgrass Village and Tournament Players Boulevard intersections.

Improvements to the Solana Road – SR A1A Intersection Completed

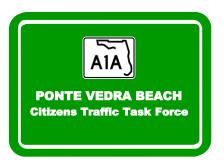
Construction crews have completed their work on the improvements to the Solana Road and State Road A1A intersection and comments we've heard from regular commuters say some improvement to traffic light wait times and throughput along Solana Road eastbound and A1A southbound has been achieved. The construction project extended the length of the "stacking lanes" southbound on A1A to Solana Road for both left and right turns and the stacking lanes eastbound on Solana Road to A1A.

Update on Improvements to the SR A1A and Mickler Road Intersection

Progress continues towards improvements at the intersection at A1A and Mickler Road. This project will include the construction of new left turn lanes from Mickler Road onto State Road A1A. The Mathews Design Group has been awarded the contract to complete the design study of both the Mickler/A1A and the Mickler/County Road 210 intersections. According to the county's Public Works Department, the design phase began in December 2021 and construction at the Mickler/A1A intersection is scheduled to begin before the end of 2022. As soon as the design phase has been completed, public meetings will be announced to share design plans and collect input from the local community.

Update on County Road 210 and Mickler Road Roundabout Intersection

Improvements are currently under consideration for the roundabout at the County Road 210, Palm Valley Road, and Mickler Road intersection. According to county data this is a failing intersection and in a corridor study performed in 2020, conversion to a signalized intersection was recommended though other options are being evaluated and community involvement will be part of any final decision. As previously noted, the Matthews Design Group is performing the design work, which will begin in February 2022, and will be completed in Fall 2022.



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Update on Roscoe Boulevard and Palm Valley Bridge Intersection Improvement

This project will upgrade the Roscoe Boulevard and Palm Valley Bridge intersection to include a traffic signal, an additional pedestrian crossing, and an extended sidewalk along the northern portion of Palm Valley Road to the Sawmill Lakes Community. The design plan for the new signal at Palm Valley Road and Roscoe Boulevard has now been submitted to the county for approval. Bidding of the work is anticipated to occur in February 2022, with construction starting in summer 2022.

State Road A1A and Marsh Landing Parkway to Marlin Ave. Intersection Improvements

Planned improvements to traffic flow for the section of SR A1A from Marsh Landing Parkway to south of Marlin Avenue will include the construction of southbound turn lanes along State Road A1A at the Ponte Vedra Lakes Boulevard, Ponte Vedra Parks Drive, and Marlin Avenue intersections. As reported in the last CTTF Newsletter, the Florida Department of Transportation has added this project to its five-year program with \$700,000 allocated in FY22/23 and \$2,500,000 in FY23/24.

FEMA Dune Enhancement Project Continues

The Federal Emergency Management Agency Dune Enhancement/Sand Placement Project continues for the South Ponte Vedra and Ponte Vedra Beaches. This project is placing protective sand on berms that were severely eroded during Hurricanes Matthew and Irma. South Ponte Vedra Beach is scheduled for completion in early February 2022. Upon completion, those resources will be reallocated to the sand placement operations at Ponte Vedra Beach. The scheduled completion date for the project is March 31, 2022; however, due to delays from weather events and labor shortages, the schedule may slip into early summer. As a reminder, a total of 9 miles of coastline will be restored during the project. Most of the property owners along the route have agreed to provide access and participate in dune restoration. Applications from homeowners who have not yet opted in will still be accepted up to 2 weeks before work begins in a homeowner's area.

The Citizen's Traffic Task Force Newsletter is produced in collaboration with St. Johns County's Public Works Department. St. Johns County is dedicated to providing the highest level of service to the residents in Ponte Vedra Beach. For more information regarding upcoming projects, please visit www.sicfl.us.