Transportation Planning Division

North East Orange County Areawide Transportation Study (NEOCATS)

October 11, 2022



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Study Purpose

"Support future growth while preserving community character"

Study Objectives

- Improve Safety, Mobility & Connectivity for people who drive, walk, bike and use transit
- Identify and prioritize potential transportation projects
- Improve network connectivity
- Provide relief to constrained corridors
- Short-term (2025), mid-term (2035), and long-term (2045) improvements for all road users





- Roadway data
 - Major developments
 - Pedestrian/bicycle network
 - Transit routes
 - Lighting
 - -ITS
- Historical crash data
- Traffic data
 - Traffic volumes
 - Origin-Destination (OD) study
 - Multimodal operational analysis
 - Connected Aut. Vehicles (CAV) impacts*
- Stakeholder input
- Programmed and planned projects
- Orange County, FDOT, and FHWA guidelines
- Similar projects







Dynamic Results Summary								
TYPE OF INTERSECTION	Overall V/C Ratio	V/C Ranking	Multimodal Score	Pedestrian Accommodations	Bicycle Accommodations	Transit Accommodations		
Displaced Left Turn	0.49	1	4.8	Fair	Fair	Good		
Signalized Restricted Crossing U- Turn N-S	0.50	2	6.3	Good	Good	Fair		
Quadrant Roadway S-W	0.51	3	4.4	Fair	Fair	Fair		
Quadrant Roadway N-W	0.51	3	4.4	Fair	Fair	Fair		
Quadrant Roadway N-E	0.52	5	4.4	Fair	Fair	Fair		
Quadrant Roadway S-E	0.52	5	4.4	Fair	Fair	Fair		
Partial Displaced Left Turn N-S	0.52	5	4.8	Fair	Fair	Good		
Partial Median U-Turn N-S	0.53	8	6.3	Good	Good	Fair		
Traffic Signal	0.56	9	4.8	Fair	Fair	Good		
2NS X 1EW	0.70	10	5.6	Fair	Good	Good		

Capacity Analysis for Planning of Junctions

Note: *CAV Impacts based on the latest Highway Capacity Manual (HCM) 7th Edition

Background

Community Meetings #1 & #2

Agency Meetings #1 & #2

November 1, 2021 (#1) & March 30, 2022 (#2) Mail-outs: 8,656 Forums: Website, Newspaper Advertisement and GoToMeeting <u> January 21, 2022 (#1) &</u> April 28, 2022 (#2) Florida Department of Transportation to the west. (FDOT) meeting? **Orange County** mportant to you! Seminole County X 🍋 University of Central Florida (UCF) 370 🚗 LYNX MetroPlan Orlando Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX) **Orange County Fire Rescue** Orange County Sheriff's Office Orange County Public Schools (OCPS) Central Florida Research Park (CFRP)





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- Major economic generators
 - UCF 2nd largest university
 - Two major business parks
 - Central Florida Research Park
 - Quadrangle
- Major developments
 - High Point of Orlando
 - Waterford Lakes
 - Rybolt Park*/Sustanee*
 - The Grow



* Both the Rybolt Park DRI application and Sustanee development are withdrawn.



- Rural Settlements
 - Sunflower Trail
 - Bithlo
 - Lake Pickett, and
 - Corner Lake
- Environmental Analysis
 - Cultural
 - Social
 - Physical
 - Natural













- Totals (roadway + intersections) - 4,875
 - 19 fatalities
 - 1,345 injury crashes
 - 3,511 property damage
 - Major types Rear-end, Angle & Sideswipe
- Intersections
 - 2,728 (56% of total)
- Mid-segments
 - -2,147 (44% of total)



1. PDO - Property Damage Only

Existing Conditions Historical Crash Analysis (2017-2019)

Hot Spot Locations



Existing Conditions Historical Crash Analysis (2017-2019)

Fatal Crash Locations





Roadway Segments





Intersections





Existing Bicycle Facilities





Existing Pedestrian Facilities



Existing Conditions

LYNX

- Route 104, East Colonial Drive/UCF
 - 2019 Ridership 572,801
 - Frequency 30 minutes
- Route 13, University Boulevard/UCF
 - 2019 Ridership 233,629
 - Frequency 60 minutes
- Route 434, SR 434
 - 2019 Ridership 139,055
 - Frequency 60 minutes
- NeighborLink 621,
 - On-Demand Circulator
- UCF Shuttle Service
 - On-Campus (Pegasus Express)
 - Off-Campus
 - Grocery Shuttle
 - Down Town Shuttle





Existing Multimodal Analysis





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Future Conditions No Build Traffic Conditions

2045 No Build Roadway Segments



Future Conditions No Build Traffic Conditions

2045 No Build Intersections

















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Intersection Improvements

- Innovative intersection concepts evaluated for key intersections
- Provide operational and safety benefits
- Recommendations include:
 - Permissive to protected left turns
 - Exclusive right turn / left turn lanes
 - Roundabouts
 - Median U-Turn (MUT)
 - Restricted crossing U-turn (RCUT)
 - Displaced left turn (DLT)



Traditional/Innovative Intersection Improvements

Intersection Improvements

- Evaluated safety strategies at specific locations
- Proposed improvements include:
 - Retroreflective back plates to signal heads
 - Hardened centerlines/pedestrian refuge
 - High-friction surface treatment
 - High emphasis crosswalks
 - Lighting improvements
 - Advance traffic signs
 - HAWK/Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon
 - Detectable warning surfaces on curb ramps
 - Tighten corner radii
 - Improves pedestrian/bicycle safety

Safety/Multimodal/ADA Improvements



Advance Traffic Control Signs

Pedestrian/Bicycle Facilities – Programmed Improvements



Pedestrian/Bicycle Facilities – Planned Improvements



Pedestrian/Bicycle Needs





Planned Transit Improvements – LYNX

Orange County Transit Plan

- Enhanced service in existing zones (Curb to Curb)
- 11 New Enhanced On-Demand/ Flexible Routes/Zones
 - Bithlo Neighborhood
 - Waterford Lakes/Avalon Park NeighborLink
- Four Express Routes (Increased frequencies/Connections)
- Bus Rapid Transit Corridor between Ocoee and UCF (20–30 minute frequency)
 UCF to Oviedo via Lockwood Blvd

Route Number	Route Name	Frequency (Weekday)				
Planned Routes (Future Condition)						
104	SR 50 UCF-Downtown	20-30 min				
204	SR 50 Limited Stop	20 min				
308	UCF-Downtown Regional Express	30 min				
311B	UCF-Medical City/Lake Nona - Meadowoods Regional Express	30 min				
401A	Waterford Lakes Commuter Express	30 min				
401B	Waterford Lakes Commuter Express (Pattern of 401A)	30 min				
506	Lake Underhill-UCF	30 min				
522	UCF-SR 436/Aloma	30 min				
600B	Red Bug Lake/Alafaya	60 min				
601	Oviedo/Lockwood	60 min				
821	Bithlo NeighborLink (On-Demand/Flex-Route Hybrid)	Flexible (30 min)				
866	Waterford Lakes/Avalon Park (On-Demand/Flex Zone)	Flexible (30 min)				
Source: Orange County Transit Plan, LYNX, March 2022						





Travel Demand Management (TDM) Strategies

- New NeighborLinks (Expansion Area/On-Demand)
- Transportation Management Organization (TMO)
- Transit Marketing, Real-Time Information, and Wayfinding
- Special Transit Benefits Zone
- Active Transportation Commuter Stations
- Dedicated Traffic Safety Instructor
- Mobility Hub (UCF SuperStop) and Facility Enhancement
- Express Bus Service and New Park & Ride Lots (TSP/Queue Jumps)

Anticipated Vehicle Trip Reduction 5-15% for NEOCATS



Example Mobility Hub



UCF Shuttle Tracker

National Evidence on TDM Program Impacts Vehicle Trip Reduction from Background Conditions						
TDM Program or Strategy	High Transit	Moderate Transit	Low Transit			
Support, Promotion, Information	3-5%	1-3%	<1%			
Alternative Commute Services	5-10%	5-10%	1-3%			
Financial Incentives	10-20%	5-15%	1-5%			
Combined Strategies						
With Free Parking	15-20%	10-15%	3-7%			
With Paid Parking	25-30%	15-20%	N/A			



ITS/Emerging Technologies Improvements

- Deploy Smart Technologies in Central Florida
- ATTAIN (Funded by FHWA Grant)
- PedSafe Hardware Installations Complete
 - Innovative ped/bike collision avoidance system
 - Pilot deployment on Alafaya Tr adjacent to UCF
- Greenway CV Technologies at 33 Signals (Orange County)
 - Cellular vehicle-to-everything (C-V2X), Emergency vehicle preemption (EVP), Transit signal priority (TSP), Passive pedestrian detection (PPD) technology
 - Initially will be used by UCF transit /first responder vehicles
- Smart Community
 - District's 1st autonomous vehicle (AV) shuttles within UCF
 - Surface Parking Management
- SunStore FDOT's Data Storage & Research Sharing Initiative

ATTAIN Central Florida



Source: https://cflsmartroads.com/projects/ATTAIN-CFL.html



ITS Projects



Enhanced Pedestrian Infrastructure Adaptive Signal System

Future Long Range Transportation Plan Needs Plan Amendments



Future Traffic Conditions

Needs Plan Improvements (2045) – Roadways



Future Traffic Conditions

Needs Plan Improvements (2045) – Intersections





Alternative Plan Evaluation

Alternatives Comparison

No Build (\$70M)
 Existing + Programmed
 Improvements

- Build 1: Cost-Feasible (\$269M)
 Existing + Programmed + Planned
 Improvements
- Build 2: Needs Plan (\$452M)
 Existing + Programmed + Planned
 Improvements + Roadway /
 Intersection Needs
- Based on the number of failing study roadway segments and intersections
 Based on available parcel data from Orange County Property Appraiser
 Based on NEOCATS Existing Environmental Conditions Report and future roadway improvements
 Based on cost estimates provided for the roadway, intersection and multimodal (pedestrian/bicycle) improvements
 B (Cratio is colculated for operational benefits (time and fuel saved) of the two Build

Notes:

5 - B/C ratio is calculated for operational benefits (time and fuel saved) of the two Build Alternatives relative to the No Build Alternative. Only roadway and intersection improvement costs are considered in the B/C ratio calculations

Evaluation Matrix

Evaluation Criteria	Project Alternatives				
	No Build	Build 1	Build 2		
Traffic Operations & Safety					
Accommodates future traffic demand ¹	Low	Moderate	High		
Provides multimodal improvements (ranking)	Good	Better	Best		
Improves safety (ranking)	Good	Better	Best		
Potential Community Impacts					
Right-of-Way Potentially Needed (Low/Moderate/High) ²	Low	Moderate	High		
Potential Historic/Archaeological Impacts	Low	Low	Low		
Potential Utility Impacts (Low/Moderate/High) ³	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate		
Potential Environmental Impacts					
Wetlands (Low/Moderate/High) ³	Low	Moderate	Moderate		
Floodplains (Low/Moderate/High) ³	Moderate	Moderate	High		
Threatened & Endangered Species (Low/Moderate/High) ³	Low	Low	Low		
Potential Contamination Sites (Low/Moderate/High) ³	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate		
Estimated Project Cost (\$ Million) ⁴					
Estimated Total Cost	70.0	269.0	452.0		
B/C Ratio Relative to No Build Alternative ⁵					
Value	-	11.7	7.6		



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- NEOCATS study identifies future project needs and solutions addressing a range of mobility, operational, and safety aspects
- Future amendments to LRTP for major capital projects (new roads and widenings)
- Recommended projects will need to be prioritized based on available funding
- Impacts of major projects will be evaluated as part of County's RCA study process
- Coordination required with other agencies as appropriate (i.e. FDOT, LYNX, UCF, etc.)



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 Acceptance of North East Orange County Areawide Transportation Study (NEOCATS) Needs Plan Study Report. District 5.