



## LAP Community of Practice Quarterly Meeting

April 28, 2021

1:00 pm to 4:30 pm

Via Microsoft Teams

### Welcome & Introductions – Lorraine Moyle

### LTAP Updates – Kristin Larsson

John G. invited FACERS to pre-hurricane training.

- **FHWA Emergency Relief Program (ER) Trainings**
  - Two identical sessions to be held on May 11th. One 9am-12pm, and another 1-4pm.
  - Register: <https://floridaltap.org/fhwa-emergency-relief-program-training-for-local-agencies/>
  
- **Recorded Webinars (eligible for PDH's)**
  - The Florida LTAP has recorded webinars available for viewing on the following webpage
    - <https://floridaltap.org/training-and-events/ltap-recorded-webinars/>
  
- **Upcoming Webinars**
  - May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 20<sup>th</sup> – Designing for Complete Streets
    - <https://floridaltap.org/designing-for-complete-streets-3-part-series/>
  - June 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, and 15<sup>th</sup> – Basic Highway Plan Reading
    - <https://floridaltap.org/basic-highway-plan-reading/>
  
- **Upcoming Webinars – Details and Registration Links in Progress**
  - May 27<sup>th</sup> and June 3<sup>rd</sup> – Speed Calming and Management 2-Part Series
  - June 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> – A Transportation Professional's Guide to Utilizing Video Technology 2-Part Series
  - Horizontal Alignment: Determining Curve Signage & Setting Advisory Speeds 2-Part Series
  - Intersection Safety 3-Part Series
  - Check our calendar for details: <https://floridaltap.org/training-calendar/>
  
- **Staying in Touch**
  - Join Florida LTAP Mailing List: <https://lp.constantcontact.com/su/739OHgJ/FLLTAPemail>
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## **FHWA – Nahir DeTizio**

### Grants:

- New 2021 round of grants [RAISE](#) new name for BUILD and TIGER grants. Application deadline for RAISE grants is **July 12, 2021**.

### Webinars:

- Check website for webinars. Will post recordings as they become available.
  - UTC Webinars: <https://www.transportation.gov/content/utc-webinars-register-now>
- RAISE grant webinars:
  - <https://www.transportation.gov/RAISEgrants/outreach>

### Reminder:

- Enter bid opportunity.

## **Pedestrian Safety Legislation – John Goodknight/FACERS members**

### John G. - Pedestrian Safety Legislation:

[HB 1113-Traffic and Pedestrian Safety](#) by Rep. Fine was heard on Wednesday in its final committee, House Commerce. The bill requires state and local governments to convert flashing signals at crosswalks not located at intersections to traffic signals before 2024. By October 1, 2022, DOT must seek approval from the federal government to allow red rectangular rapid flash beacon (RRFB) instead of yellow RRFBs. If approved by the federal government, all entities with jurisdiction over mid-block crosswalks must replace yellow RRFBs with red RRFBs within a year. If the request is denied by the federal government, all entities with jurisdiction over mid-block crosswalks must remove all yellow RRFBs or retrofit with acceptable equipment. Furthermore, a traffic engineering study must be conducted that recommends the installation of a mid-block crosswalk. HB 1113 passed favorably (18-3) and now heads to the House Floor. The Senate companion, [SB 1412- Traffic and Pedestrian Safety](#) by Sen. Perry is now in Senate Appropriations.

Lorraine M. - **Action Item:** Discuss with traffic operations and provide briefing at next meeting. Understanding impacts and collective approach if the bill doesn't pass but is put forward again next legislative session. Include Brenda Young in conversation. Possible unintended consequences: removal of ramps, removal of midblock crossings all together, impacts to school zones(?).



Ramon G. – Alachua County estimate cost if bill passes is \$15 million. About 45 midblock crossings will be impacted. Right of way impacts are unknown but hawk installation requires additional ground.

House Bill 1113 / Senate Bill 1412 – **Action Item:** Check Friday 4/30/2021 to see what happens with this bill.

#### **LAP Big 4 Specifications** – Lorraine Moyle

- Changes to the LAP Big 4- updates to concrete, earth work and asphalt reviews go to industry around May 1st.
- Discuss continued relevance of LAP landscape specs- remove, update, leave as is? MAP-21 removed eligibility of standalone landscaping projects in LAP.

Do we need to discuss landscape component of the LAP Big 4 Specs?

- Ramon G. Alachua County is not using.
- Roger C. City of Tallahassee is not using.
- Mya W. FDOT D4 projects not using.

**Action Item:** Post as an archive specification for use without updates.

- Is there value in maintaining the LAP landscape spec as part of the Big 4 or change to the “Big 3”?
- Contractor Quality Control (CQC) testing discussion - We received a suggestion from D5 that following the Department’s contractor CQC testing procedures in the specs may save the locals money by placing the testing expenses on the contractor and not on the CEI or on the local.

Why aren’t CQC not in LAP Big 4, John G. thinks when Department implemented verification testing component it was provided by the Department. This testing by the Department was a labored process and putting that demand on local agency’s was too great. How does it get paid for? Is it CEI? Keep in mind verification testing by the Department was different than the day-to-day quality control by the contractor.

Dave C.- Verification was done independently, so there would be no conflicts of interest.

Lorraine M. - Should we bring back in CQC testing? Its currently left out.

John G – Quality control – under impression department is considering going back to quality control testing.



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Lorraine M. - Standard spec CQC is there, but in LAP Big 4 there not.

**Action Item:** Pending changes to earthwork- check with materials. Rumor is FDOT is reverting back to some older processes?

**Discuss Next Meeting Date** - Next meeting is scheduled for in-person at the Turkey Lake Service Plaza on July 21, 2021. Will July 21<sup>st</sup> work or do we need to consider another day?

**Action Item:** Meeting Dates

- July 21, 2021 – Changed to virtual, send out meeting invite to LAP CoP group.
- September - Survey group for in-person meeting date.



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