SP0071104SFRC LEGAL REQUIREMENTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES TO THE PUBLIC – OPERATIONS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT-OWNED RAIL CORRIDOR RIGHT-OF-WAY COMMENTS FROM INTERNAL/INDUSTRY REVIEW

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I just got this through our construction office and was concerned with the information captured in the new policy. I was hoping that Central Florida Rail Corridor (CFRC) would be consulted with prior to any changes to the state policies that impact our operations. Maybe moving forward we can get added to the contacts that need to provide input.

A few comments that I have are as follows:

 References should be made to CFRC - Central Florida Rail Corridor not SunRail lets make sure references are to the Corridor (Sunrail does not include Amtrak, CSX and others)
CFRC does not provide flagging services nor watchman, currently we have an O&M contractor who provides flagging services if needed, we should not make commitments to provide flagging services, we will not be able to fulfill them without entering into an additional contract with others

3. If we are going to re-write these sections I would refer them to each properties flagging requirements

"The Department or its Representative shall furnish protective services (i.e watchman or flagging services) to ensure the safety of the railroad operations in accordance with the corridors safety and security procedures. All request for work within the CFRC corridor shall be submitted in writing to the Chief Operating Officer at least 30 days prior to the projected work."

Feel free to contact me and we can help out with addressing the write up.

Response:

"in accordance with the corridors' safety and security procedures" is internal to the Department. No change made.

SunRail references changed to Central Florida Rail Corridor (CRFC).

The Chief Operating Officer of CFRC is an internal FDOT employee. Notification to the Chief Operating Officer can be made through the Engineer via internal FDOT processes. No change made.