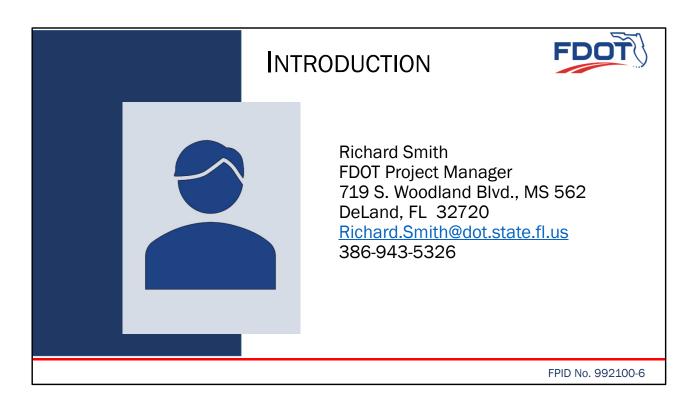




# Welcome

Alafaya Trail (S.R. 434)
Safety Improvements
At Dalton Drive

Financial Project Identification (FPID) No.: 992100-6



Good evening, everyone and welcome to the Alafaya Trail (S.R. 434) at Dalton Drive Safety Improvements public meeting.

My name is Richard Smith and I am the project manager with the Florida Department of Transportation.

During the meeting, we will present information on the Department's plans to improve safety and enhance operations through this project.

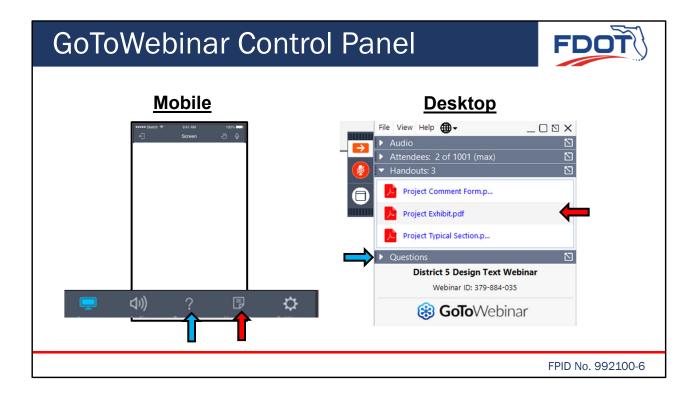
We encourage your feedback and during the presentation, we will provide multiple ways you can submit your questions and comments to us about this project.

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I will now turn it over to our project team to begin the presentation.

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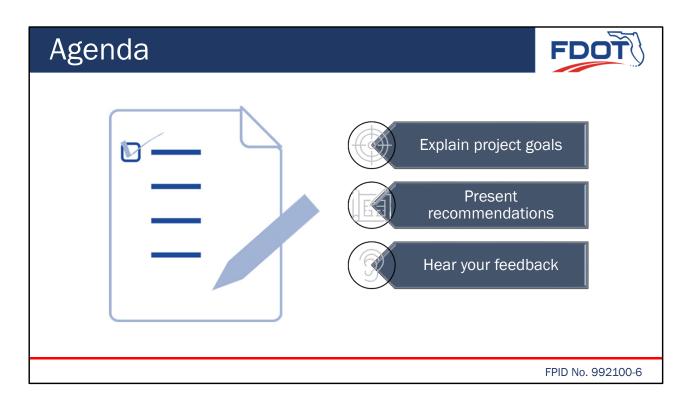
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The purpose of tonight's meeting is to explain the project goals, present the Department's recommended improvements to help achieve those goals, and hear from the community about the proposed changes.

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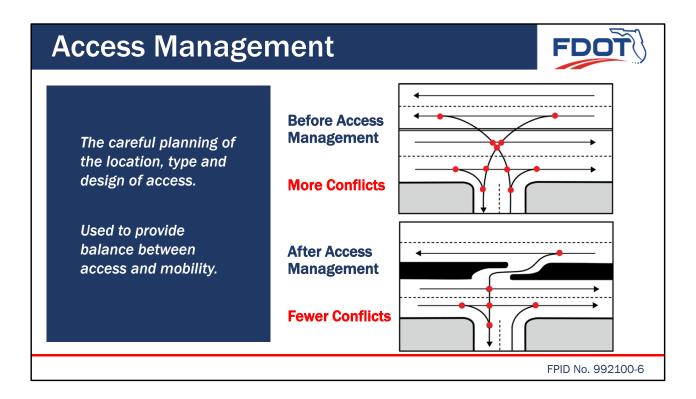


As mentioned, the project is in Seminole County, on Alafaya Trail, also known as State Road 434. at the intersection with Dalton Drive in the city of Oviedo.

The Financial Project Identification Number or F-P-I-D for this project is 992100-6. The purpose of this project in is enhance safety at the intersection and improve traffic flow.

There is currently a full median opening at the intersection.

Proposed improvements include converting this full median opening into a two-way directional median opening.



### [ANIMATION]

One of the most important responsibilities of the Florida Department of Transportation is to ensure that the design of each state road properly balances access and mobility. Access management is used to provide this very important balance.

A basic principle of access management is to limit the number of conflict points, or points along a roadway where the paths of two vehicles can legally cross, just not at the same time. Each conflict point is a location where a crash can occur.

One way to limit conflict points is by minimizing the number of driveways and median openings and restricting certain movements at some median openings. In some cases, like this one, converting a full median opening to a two-way directional median opening, which only allows left-turn or U-turn movements, will reduce conflicts and crashes.

# **Existing Conditions**





The initial study of the intersection was completed March 2019, and updated in February 2023.

### Findings:

- 16 collisions reported from November 2017 – January 2023
- Multiple dangerous conflict points for drivers turning left onto Alafaya Trail from Dalton Drive
- Drivers improperly staged in the median obstruct traffic and cause delays





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### [ANIMATION]

Now. Let's take a closer look at the project area.

As indicated before, the intersection of Alafaya Trail (State Road 434) and Dalton Drive is currently a full median opening.

A study of the intersection was initiated in response to resident concerns regarding Uturn crashes and side street delays. The study was completed in March 2019, updated in February 2023, and found that there were 16 crashes from November 2017 through January 2023, resulting in nearly \$160,000 in estimated property damage and including one crash with an injury.

Currently, drivers in the median waiting to turn westbound onto Dalton Drive cannot clearly see approaching southbound vehicles on Alafaya Trail when there are other vehicles staged in the median. Once a driver is staged in the median opening, they may restrict the ability of a northbound left-turning or U-turning drivers to complete their turn. Also, while staged in the median, drivers can block the inside through lanes of Alafaya Trail.

Based on these results, a two-way directional median was proposed to reduce these conflict points and improve safety.

# **Proposed Improvements**





- Convert the full median opening into a two-way directional median opening
- Modify directional and pavement markings

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The proposed safety improvements at the intersection of Alafaya Trail and Dalton Drive include:

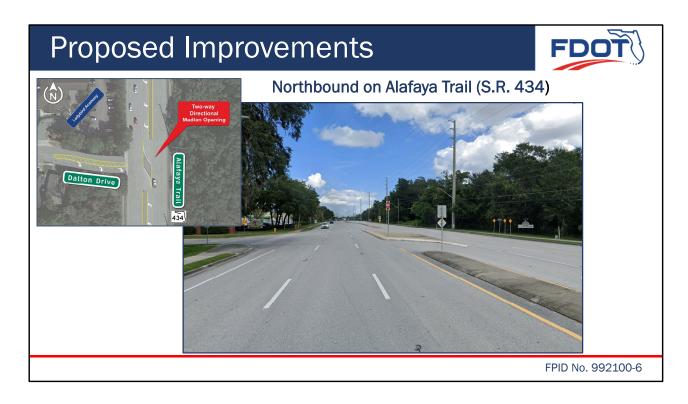
- Converting the full median opening at this intersection into a two-way directional median opening and
- Modifying directional signage and pavement markings

These median changes will reduce many potential conflict points, making the road safer for all users. In addition, these practices increase mobility and efficiency, reducing congestion and allowing more vehicles to safely navigate the roadway. In a survey of drivers across five Central Florida projects involving access management changes, 78% said they felt safer, and 84% felt that traffic moved better.



# [ANIMATION]

Once complete, left turns will not be permitted from Dalton Drive onto Alafaya Trail (State Road 434). Motorists wishing to travel northbound on Alafaya Trail from Dalton Drive will make a right turn and travel to the next signalized intersection at W. Chapman Road to make a U-turn.



[ANIMATION] The two-way directional median opening at the intersection at Dalton Drive will still permit motorists traveling northbound on Alafaya Trail (State Road 434) to make left turns <u>as well as U-turns</u>.



We encourage your input and feedback about this project and there are multiple ways for you to participate.

All public comments and questions are part of the public meeting record and every method for providing public comments and questions carries equal weight.

While comments and questions will be accepted at any time, those submitted by March 6, 2023, twelve (12) days after the public meeting, will become part of the project's public meeting record.

All comments and questions will be responded to in writing.

# Ways to Submit Comments



## In-person





- Submit a written comment form
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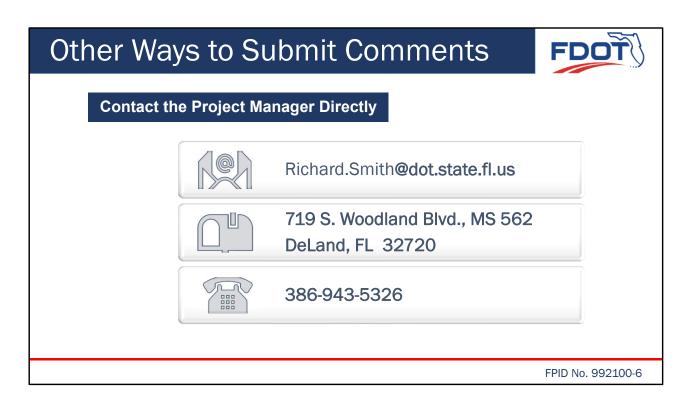
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- Or by U.S. Mail at the Florida Department of Transportation, 719 S. Woodland Boulevard, Mail Station 562, DeLand, FL 32720
- You may also call the project manager at 386-943-5326 to provide verbal comments during normal business hours.
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# Thank You for Participating





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Please submit questions or comments by Monday, March 6, 2023

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On behalf of the Florida Department of Transportation thank you for attending this public meeting and providing your input on this project.

If you have comments or questions after the meeting, please submit them by Monday, March 6, 2023

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Have a good evening.