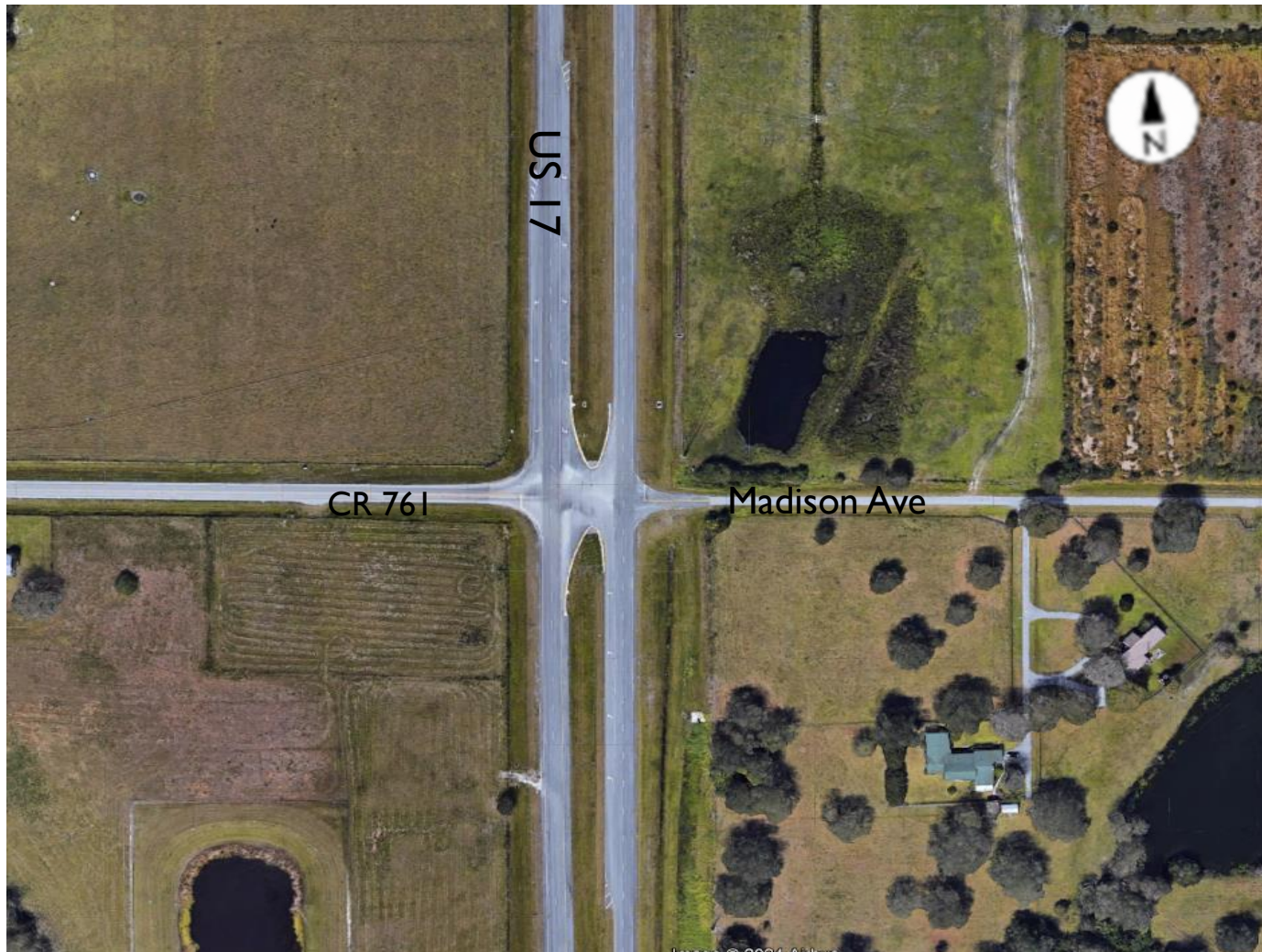




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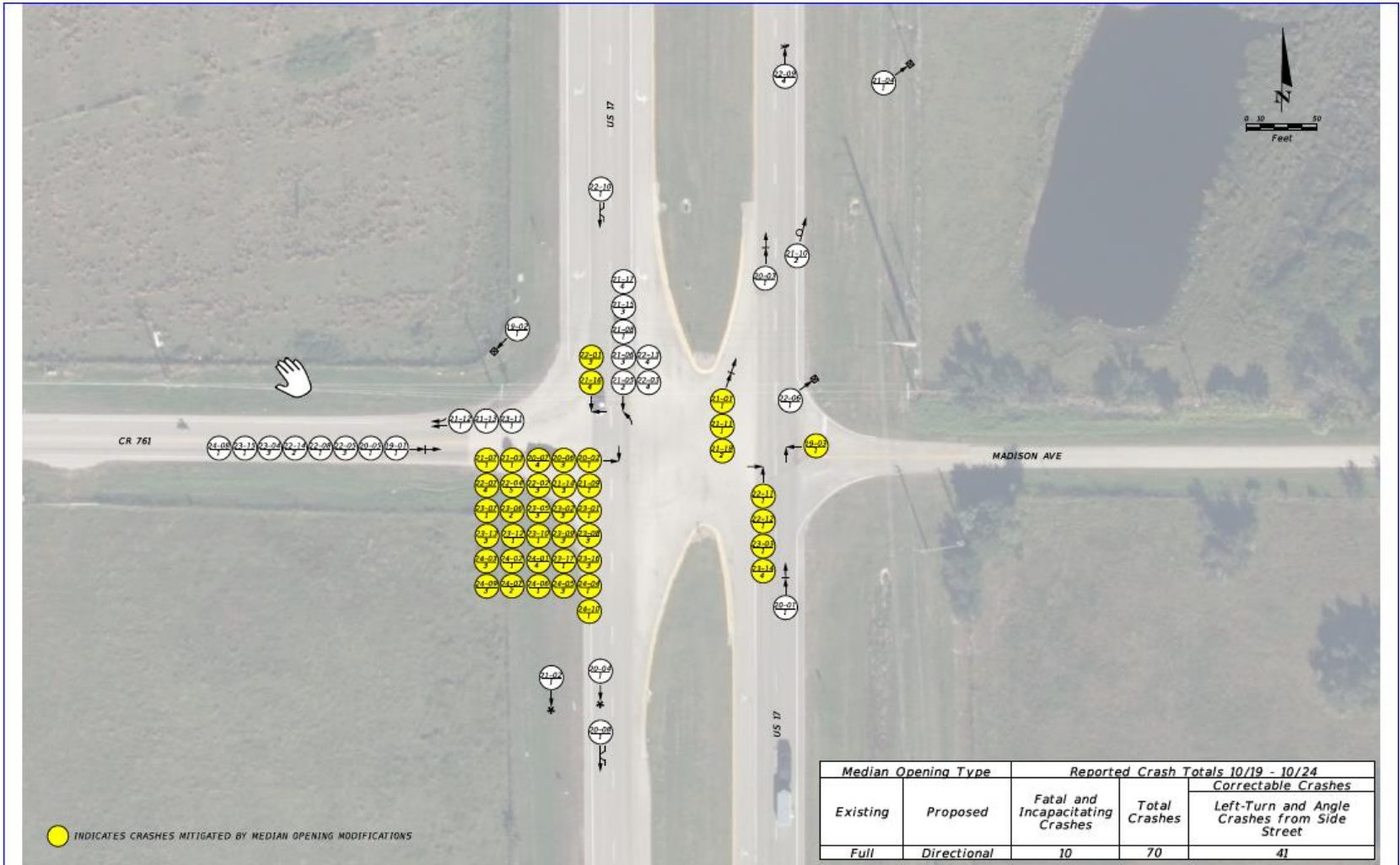
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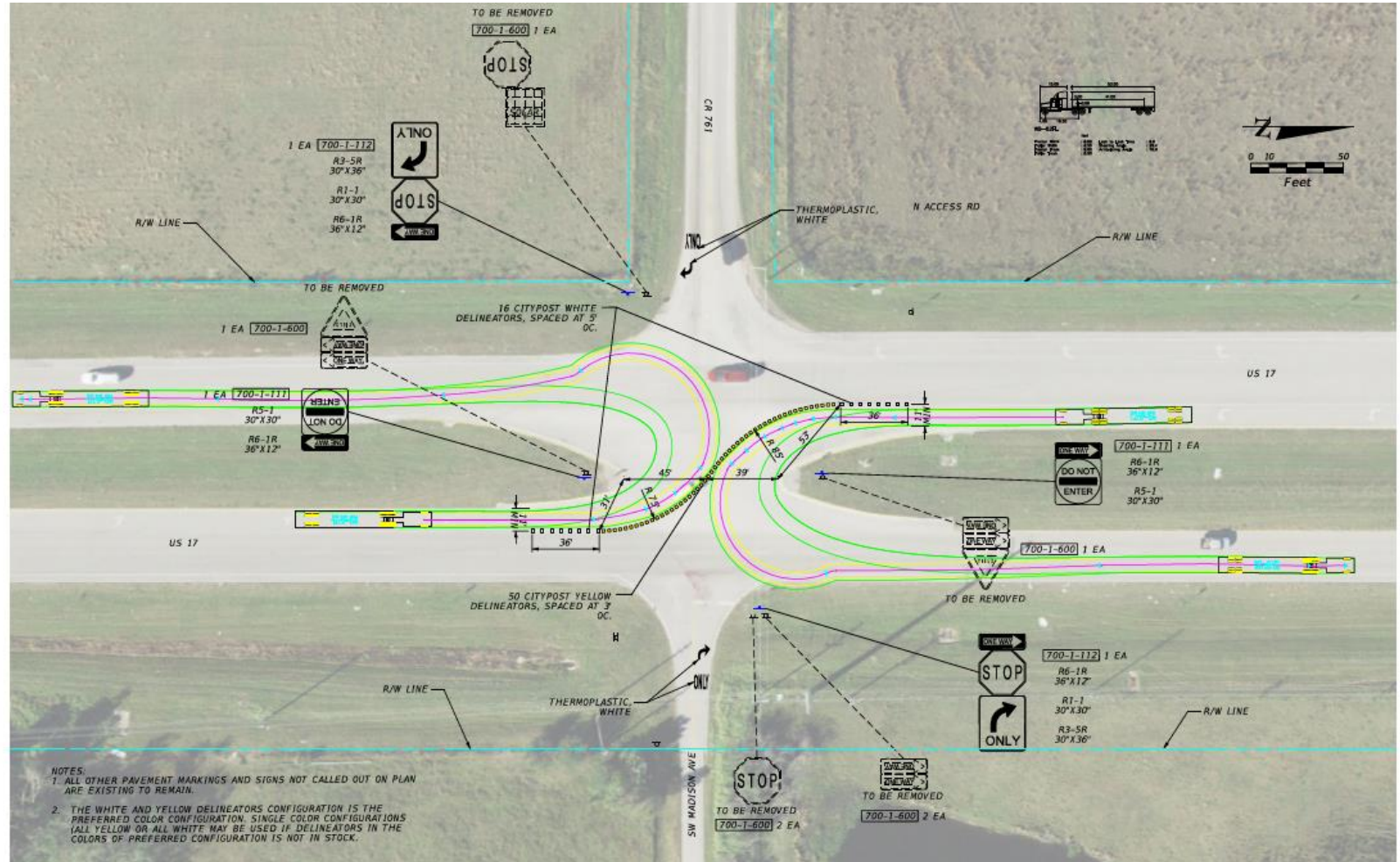


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Crash Diagram October 1, 2019, through October 31, 2024



Interim Improvement - RCUT



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U-TURN LOCATIONS



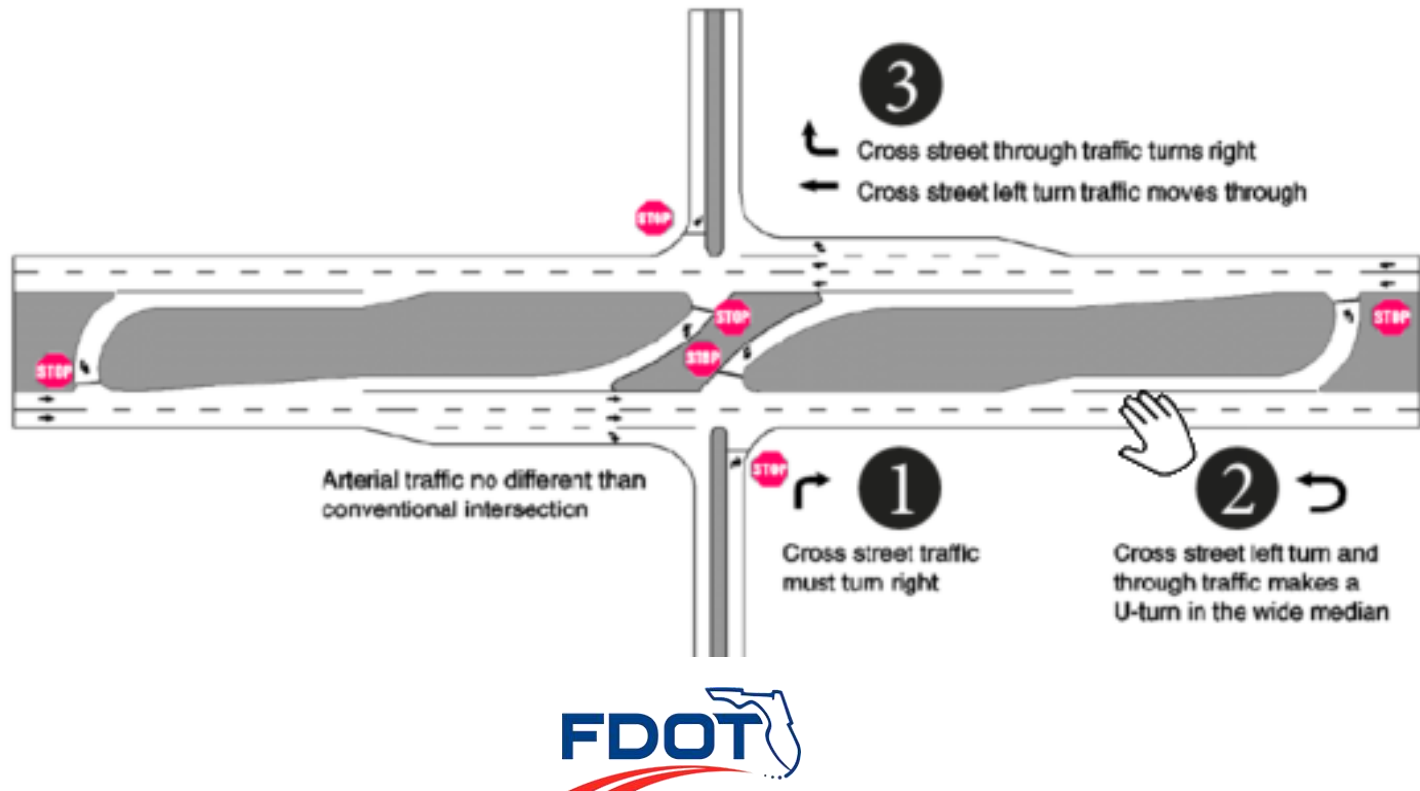
Semi-Truck Making U-Turn



Office of Safety

Proven Safety Countermeasures

- Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT) - These intersections simplify decision-making for drivers and minimize the potential for higher severity crash types, such as head-on and angle.



OFFICE OF SAFETY Proven Safety Countermeasures

U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration

Safety Benefits:

RCUT
Two-Way
Stop-Controlled to RCUT:

54%
reduction in fatal
and injury crashes.²

Signalized Intersection
to Signalized RCUT:

22%
reduction in fatal
and injury crashes.³

Unsignalized Intersection
to Unsignalized RCUT:

63%
reduction in fatal and
injury crashes.⁴

MUT
30%
reduction in intersection-
related injury crash rate.⁵

For more information on this
and other FHWA Proven Safety
Countermeasures, please visit
<https://highways.dot.gov/safety/>
<https://highways.dot.gov/safety-countermeasures>
and <https://highways.dot.gov/safety/intersection-types/reduced-left-turn-conflict-intersections>.

FHWA-SA-21-030

Reduced Left-Turn Conflict Intersections

Reduced left-turn conflict intersections are geometric designs that alter how left-turn movements occur. These intersections simplify decision-making for drivers and minimize the potential for higher severity crash types, such as head-on and angle. Two highly effective designs that rely on U-turns to complete certain left-turn movements are known as the Restricted Crossing U-turn (RCUT) and the Median U-turn (MUT).

Restricted Crossing U-turn

The RCUT intersection, also known as a J-Turn, Superstreet, or Reduced Conflict Intersection, modifies the direct left-turn and through movements from cross-street approaches. Minor road traffic makes a right turn followed by a U-turn at a designated location—either signalized or unsignalized—to continue in the desired direction. The RCUT is suitable for and adaptable to a wide variety of circumstances, ranging from isolated urban and suburban locations to urban and suburban high-volume, multimodal corridors. It is a competitive and less costly alternative to constructing an interchange. RCUTs work well when consistently used along a corridor but also can be used effectively at individual intersections. Studies have shown that installing an RCUT can result in a 30-percent increase in throughput and a 40-percent reduction in network intersection travel time.¹

Median U-turn

The MUT intersection modifies the direct left turns from the major approach. Vehicles proceed through the main intersection, make a U-turn a short distance downstream, followed by a right turn at the main intersection. The U-turns can also be used for

modifying the cross-street left turns, similar to an RCUT.

The MUT is an excellent choice for intersections with heavy through traffic and moderate left-turn volumes. Studies have shown a 20- to 50-percent improvement in intersection throughput for various lane configurations as a result of implementing the MUT design. When implemented at multiple intersections along a corridor, the efficient two-phase signal operation of the MUT can reduce delay, improve travel times, and create more crossing opportunities for pedestrians and bicyclists.

Example of an unsignalized RCUT intersection.
Source: FHWA

Example of a MUT intersection. Source: FHWA

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3. CTRB ID 2020, Hummer and Tran, "Safety Evaluation of a Signalized Restricted Crossing U-Turn," FHWA-HIS-17-002 (2017).
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ZERO
DEATHS
ON HIGHWAYS

- RCUTs simplify the intersection by allowing less movements.
- According to FHWA, unsignalized intersection to unsignalized RCUT result in 63% reduction in fatal and injury crashes.
- It is a less costly alternative to constructing other type of improvements.

Location where we installed RCUT and saw crash reduction - US 17 at NW Livingston Street

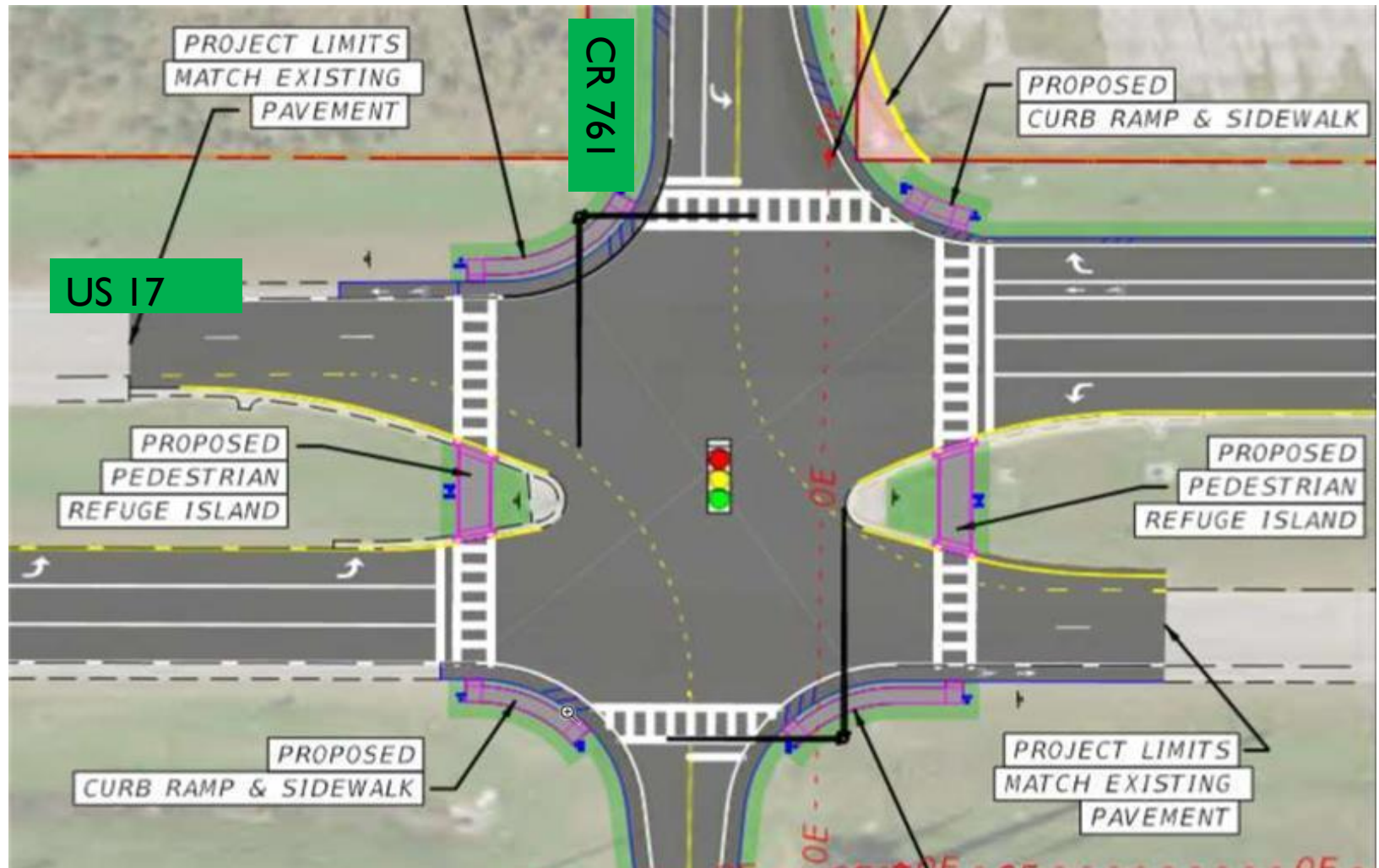


Date Range	Total Crashes	Crash Rate Per Year
4/20/2017 – 4/20/2022	10	2
4/20/2022 Installed Quick Curt		
4/20/22 – Current	0	0

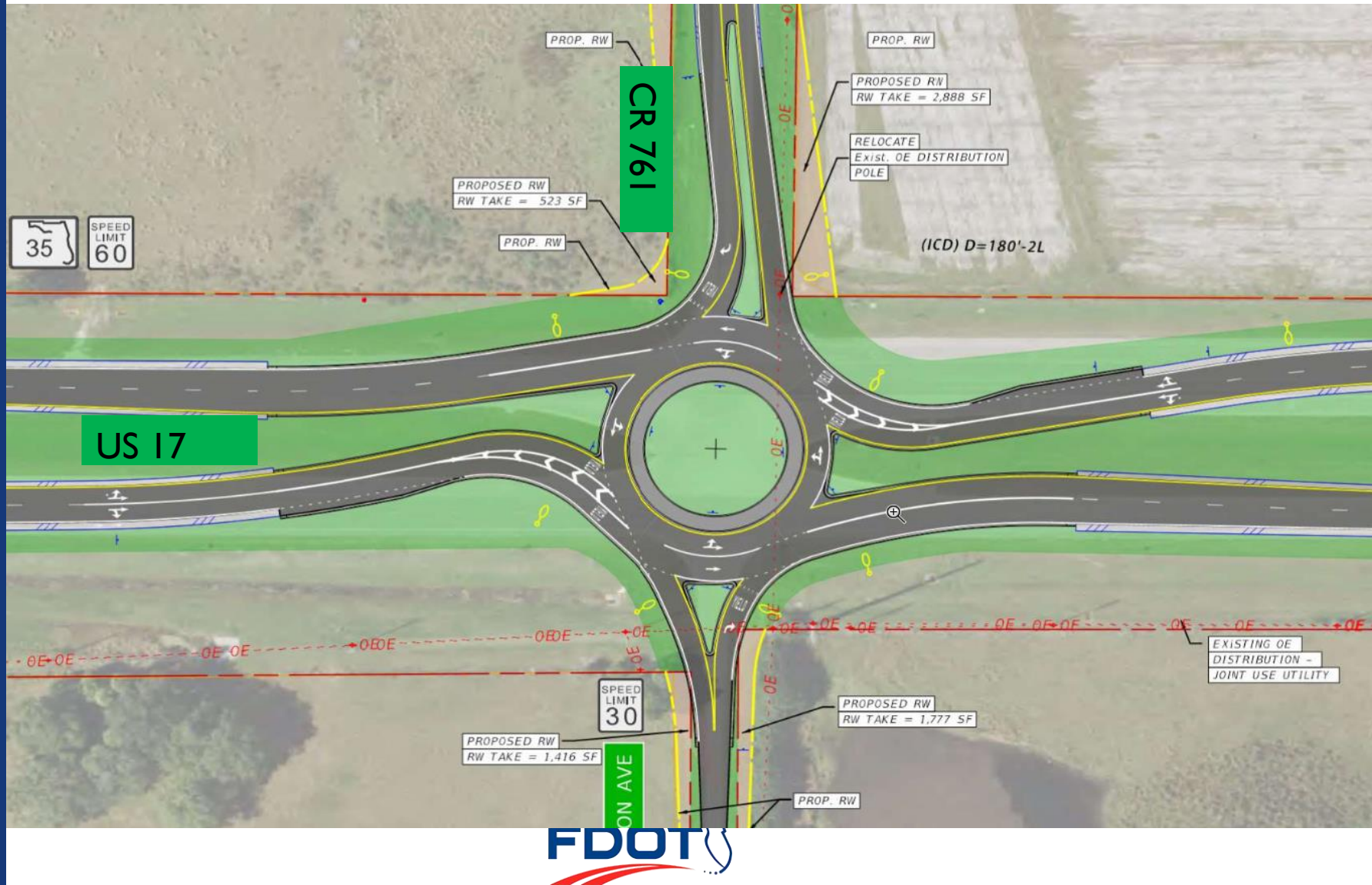
* Crash History Includes U-turn locations:
NE Wayne Road and northern U-turn



Concept 2 - Signal

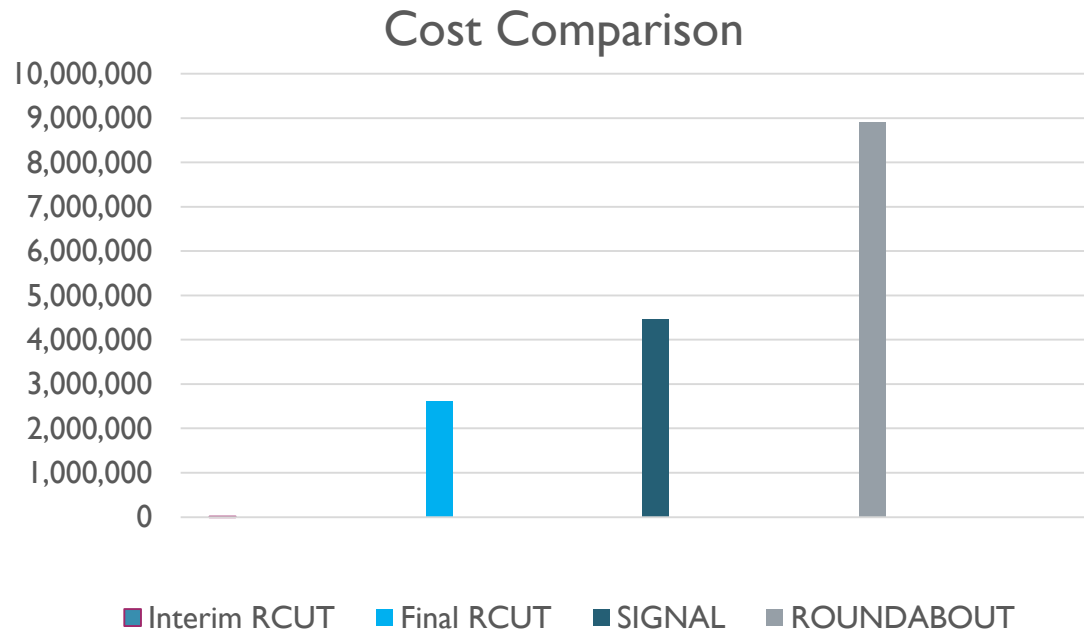


Concept 3 - Roundabout



US 17 at CR 761 COST COMPARISON

RCUT/Interim	SIGNAL	ROUNDABOUT
\$10,000	\$4,454,099	\$8,900,000



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