

## Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## <u>Sheriff Staly to Speak at FDOT Meeting Tonight</u> <u>Public Hearing about Roundabout Design on U.S. 1 & Old Dixie</u> <u>Highway</u>

Sheriff Rick Staly has twice advocated for necessary changes to the intersection of US Highway 1 and Old Dixie Highway in Bunnell. Once in February and again in November of 2017, the Sheriff wrote letters to the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) asking for a traffic light, additional signage regarding the dangerous intersection, lowering the speed limit, and more ways to improve the deadly intersection.

The original response indicated that a roundabout would be constructed beginning in 2021. After Sheriff Staly's second later, he received a response in December 2017 that the project would commence in the summer of 2018, moving the project up by almost three years. A roundabout is still the indicated solution, as well as increased signage and a blinking light above the stop sign on Old Dixie Highway to increase visibility of the intersection.

This evening, FDOT Public Hearing about the roundabout design will take place at <u>Community Baptist</u> <u>Church located at 956 South Old Dixie Highway in Bunnell at 5:30 p.m.</u> Sheriff Staly will be speaking about the proposed solutions and the already implemented changes. This event is open to the public.

"I am pleased that the project will begin this year rather than three years from now," Sheriff Staly said. "I feel that FDOT is taking this project seriously and beginning to understand the dangerous hazards this intersection presents."

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