

Section 4(f) Resources

Florida Department of Transportation

NEPTUNE RD. FROM PARTIN SETTLEMENT RD. TO US 192

District: FDOT District 5

County: Osceola County

ETDM Number: 14402

Financial Management Number: 445415-1-00-00

Federal-Aid Project Number: N/A

Project Manager: Karen Snyder

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT. Submitted pursuant 49 U.S.C. § 303.

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Summary and Approval

Resource Name	Facility Type	Property Classification	Owner/Official with Jurisdiction	Recommended Outcome	OEM SME Action
Partin Triangle Park	Public Parks and Recreation Areas	Park/Rec Area	Osceola County	No Use	Determination 05-19-2020
Neptune Road Pathway	Public Parks and Recreation Areas	Park/Rec Area	Osceola County	Exception/Exemption	Determination 05-19-2020
Neptune Middle School Sports Fields	Public Parks and Recreation Areas	Park/Rec Area	Osceola County	<i>de minimis</i>	Concurrence 11-10-2020



January 15, 2021

Director of the Office of Environmental Management
Florida Department of Transportation

Partin Triangle Park

Facility Type: Public Parks and Recreation Areas

Property Classification: Park/Rec Area

Address and Coordinates:

Address: 2830 Neptune Rd, Kissimmee, FL, 34744, USA

Latitude: 28.25310 Longitude: -81.32952

Description of Property:

Partin Triangle Park is located at 2830 Neptune Road, Kissimmee, FL 34744 and is an approximately 5-acre neighborhood park owned and managed by Osceola County Parks and Recreation. Amenities include racquetball courts, tennis courts, a dog park, boat ramp, playgrounds, picnic pavilions, grills, restrooms and an opportunity for airboat rides. There is also a trailhead for the Neptune Road Pathway. The attachment provides a map of the park and its associated amenities with relationship to the proposed roadway improvements.

Owner/Official with Jurisdiction: Osceola County

Relationship Between the Property and the Project

Partin Triangle Neighborhood Park & Boat Ramp (Partin Triangle Park), is a neighborhood park located to the south of Neptune Road and abutting the C-31 Canal. The proposed roadway widening will not acquire any right-of-way from the park property. A dedicated left turn lane is proposed, which will enhance access to the park. The existing right turn lane into the park will be reconstructed with the widening. The existing driveway and internal circulation will not be modified within the park property. Access to the park will be maintained for the duration of the proposed project.

Yes No

Will the property be "used" within the meaning of Section 4(f)?

Recommended Outcome: No Use

OEM SME Determination Date: 05-19-2020

Neptune Road Pathway

Facility Type: Public Parks and Recreation Areas

Property Classification: Park/Rec Area

Address and Coordinates:

Address: 34744, Kissimmee, FL, USA

Latitude: 28.30856 Longitude: -81.39739

Description of Property:

Neptune Road Pathway, formerly the Bill Johnston Memorial Pathway, begins at the Kissimmee Lakefront at Lakeshore Drive and Ruby Street and continues on to Old Canoe Creek Road. Thus, the pathway extends most of the length of the project area. The pathway is managed by the Osceola County Parks and Recreation and connects several important community facilities, including Neptune Middle School and Sports Fields, Partin Triangle Neighborhood Park and Boat Ramp, Kissimmee Lakefront Park, and Brinson Park. The attachment provides a map of the Neptune Road Pathway within the PD&E study area.

Owner/Official with Jurisdiction: Osceola County

Recommended Outcome: Exception/Exemption

Exception/Exemption Type: Certain trails, paths, bikeways, and sidewalks that meet one of the circumstances in 23 CFR 774.13(f)(1-4).

Exception/Exemption Justification:

The Neptune Road Pathway meets the criteria for and exception under 23 CFR Part 774 for the following reasons. The Pathway occupies an existing transportation facility right-of-way without limitation to any specific location within that right-of-way and the continuity of the Pathway will be maintained by incorporating the Neptune Road Pathway into the proposed roadway as part of the widening project.

OEM SME Determination Date: 05-19-2020

Neptune Middle School Sports Fields

Facility Type: Public Parks and Recreation Areas

Property Classification: Park/Rec Area

Address and Coordinates:

Address: 2727 Neptune Rd, Kissimmee, FL, 34744, USA

Latitude: 28.25792 Longitude: -81.33507

Description of Property:

Neptune Middle School Sports Fields are located at 2727 Neptune Road, Kissimmee, FL 34744 and are approximately 8.5-acres owned by the Osceola County School District, but managed by the Osceola County Parks and Recreation through a cooperative agreement. The Neptune Middle School Sports Fields are considered a multiple use land holding under 23 CFR 774.11(d). Amenities include baseball/softball field, soccer fields, multipurpose fields, parking, and restrooms. None of the amenities are immediately adjacent to the roadway. Although not within the sports fields, the Neptune Road Pathway is adjacent along the north side of Neptune Road. The attached map shows the locations of the amenities and facilities.

Owner/Official with Jurisdiction: Osceola County

Recommended Outcome: *de minimis*

Yes No

- Was there coordination with the Official(s) with Jurisdiction to identify an opportunity for a *de minimis* finding?
- Was the OWJ informed by the District of FDOT s intent to pursue a *de minimis* approval option?
- Was the OWJ informed in writing that their concurrence with a no adverse effect finding to the activities, features or attributes which qualify the property for protection may result in FDOT making a *de minimis* approval under Section 4(f)?
- Did the OWJ concur that the proposed project, including any enhancement, mitigation and minimization of harm measures, will result in no adverse effects to the activities features or attributes of the property?

Basis on Which the Determination was Made

Alternatives were considered for the widening of the existing Neptune Road, and the proposed impact to the property results in the minimum amount of R/W needed to construct the improvements.

The minor R/W required (0.46 acres) is R/W within the mowed grass area of the Sports Fields parcel which is contiguous with the existing Neptune Road R/W and adjacent to an existing stormwater pond. There is an existing fence adjacent to the road and pond that will be replaced, and access to the fields will be maintained throughout construction. The R/W required does not impact any of the amenities or facilities of the Sports Fields parcel. The use of the property, though permanent, will not result in activities that would affect the park facilities or interfere with public use.

Public Involvement Activities:

A Virtual Public Hearing was held on September 24, 2020 with information given through the presentation on the 4(f) resource and opportunity for public comments. See attachment showing the project on the Osceola County's website (<https://www.improveneptuneroad.com/>), which shows the 4(f) resource slide referenced and the opportunity for comment.

The Public Hearing comment period ended on October 8, 2020, and no comments were received regarding the sports fields.

OEM SME Concurrence Date: 11-10-2020

Resource Attachments

Partin Triangle Park

Partin Triangle Park Features Map

Neptune Road Typical Sections

Neptune Road Pathway

Neptune Road Pathway Map

Neptune Road Typical Sections

Neptune Middle School Sports Fields

Map of all Neptune Rd 4f Resources

Neptune Middle School Sports Fields Map_June 2020

Excerpts and Maps from Osceola Co Parks Master Plan Phase 1_10-12-15

Neptune Rd Mtg Mins from 4-f Coordination with County

Neptune Middle School 4(f) De minimis Intent letter to OWJ_9-5-19

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Public Hearing info on Osceola Co Website showing Availability for Pubic Comment

Partin Triangle Park

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Neptune Road Typical Sections



Legend

- Neptune Road Pathway
- Partin Triangle Neighborhood Park and Boat Ramp
- Alt 1 and Alt 2 Proposed ROW

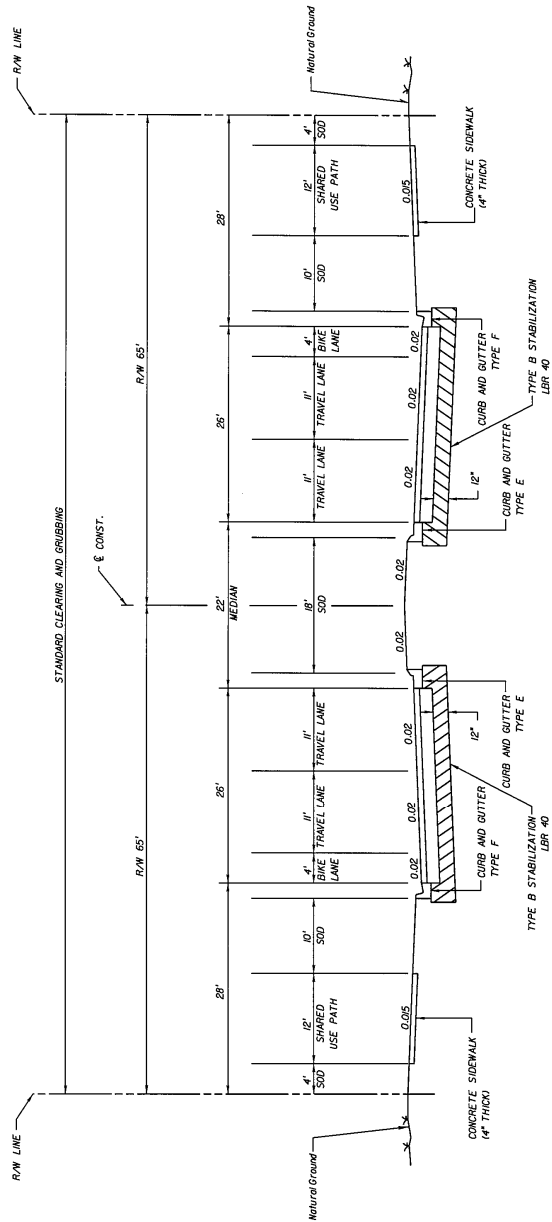
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Source: Aerial courtesy of NearMap

Partin Triangle Neighborhood Park & Boat Ramp Map
Neptune Road from Partin Settlement Road to US 192
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**TYPICAL SECTION NO. 1
NEPTUNE ROAD**



TYPICAL SECTION
CR 525
MP 2.9000 TO MP 6.342

TRAFFIC DATA

CURRENT YEAR = 2018 AADT = 26,000
 ESTIMATED OPENING YEAR = 2025 AADT = 30,000
 ESTIMATED DESIGN YEAR = 2045 AADT = 43,000
 K = 9% D = 57.9% T (24 HOUR) = 5.11%
 DESIGN SPEED = 45 MPH
 POSTED SPEED = 45 MPH

PROJECT CONTROLS

CONTEXT CLASSIFICATION

- () C1 : NATURAL () C3C : SUBURBAN COMM.
- () C2 : RURAL () C4 : URBAN GENERAL
- () C2T : RURAL TOWN () C5 : URBAN CENTER
- (X) C3R : RESIDENTIAL () C6 : URBAN CORE
- () N/A : LA FACILITY

FUNCTIONAL CLASSIFICATION

- () INTERSTATE () MAJOR COLL.
- () FREEWAY/EXPWY. () MINOR COLL.
- () PRINCIPAL ARTERIAL () LOCAL
- (X) MINOR ARTERIAL

HIGHWAY SYSTEM

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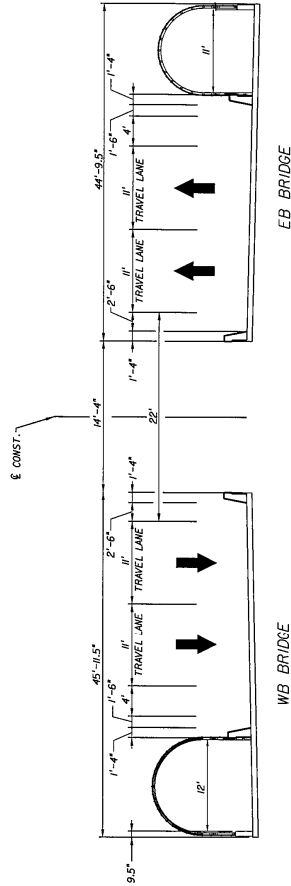
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- () RESURFACING (LA FACILITIES)
- () RRR (ARTERIALS & COLLECTORS)

**POTENTIAL EXCEPTIONS AND VARIATIONS
RELATED TO TYPICAL SECTION:**

7-FOOT BUFFERED BIKE LANES

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TYPICAL SECTION NO. 3
NEPTUNE ROAD



WB BRIDGE

EB BRIDGE

BRIDGE 920044
MP 5.355 TO MP 5.417

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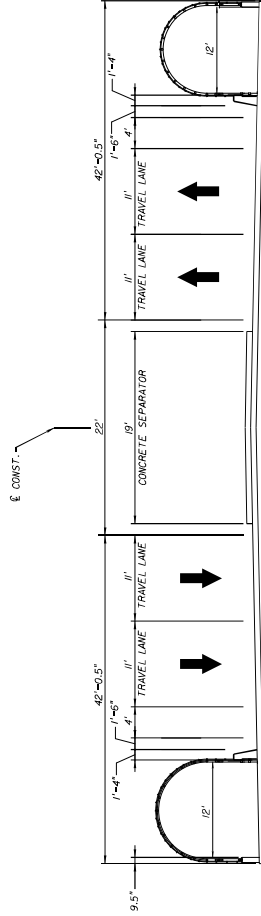
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TYPICAL SECTION NO. 4
NEPTUNE ROAD



BRIDGE 924049
MP 5.656 TO MP 5.672

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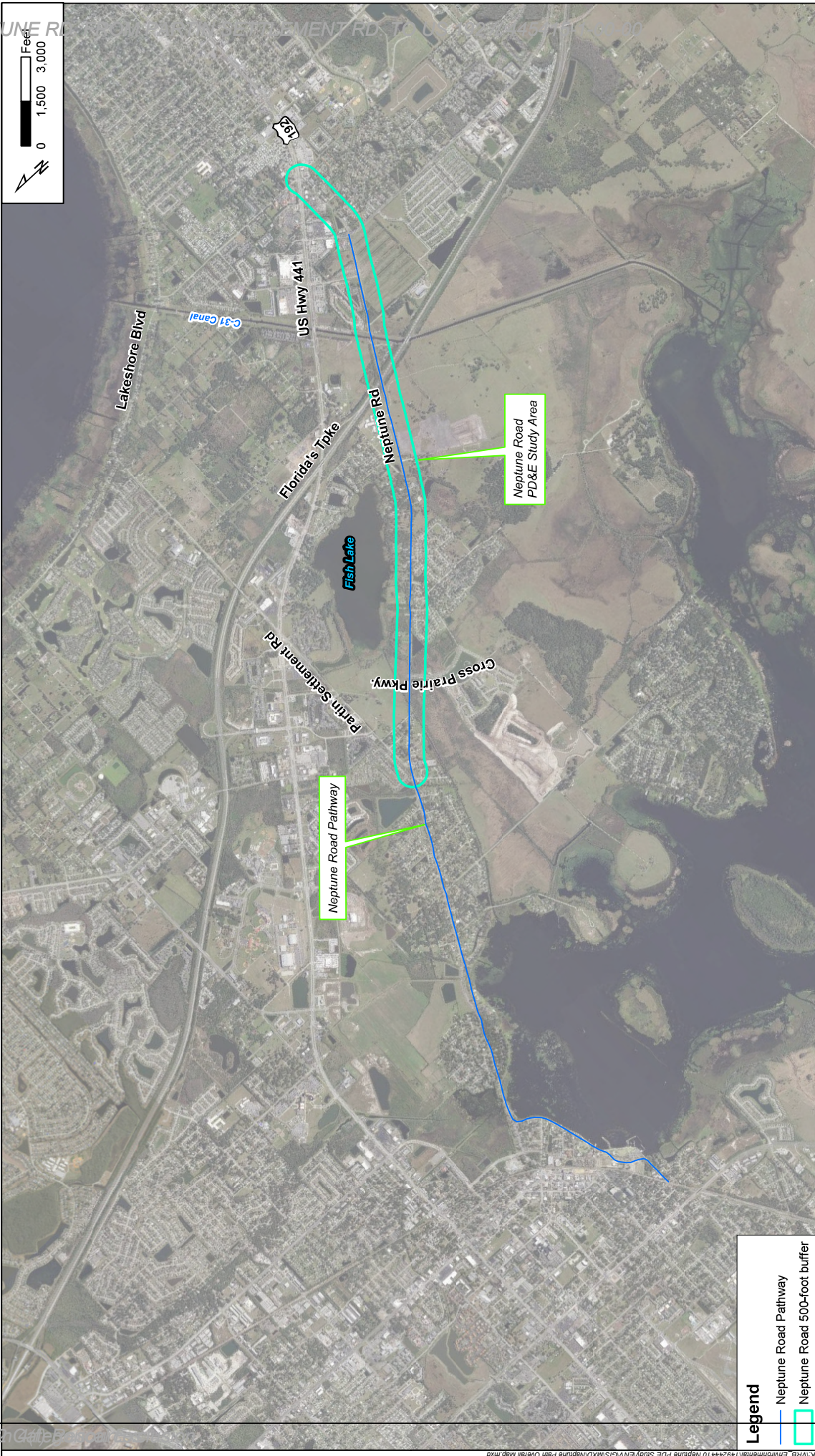
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Neptune Road Pathway

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Neptune Road Pathway Map

Neptune Road Typical Sections



Legend

- Neptune Road Pathway
- Neptune Road 500-foot buffer

Source: SRP



Neptune Road Pathway Map - Overall
Neptune Road from Partin Settlement Road to US 192
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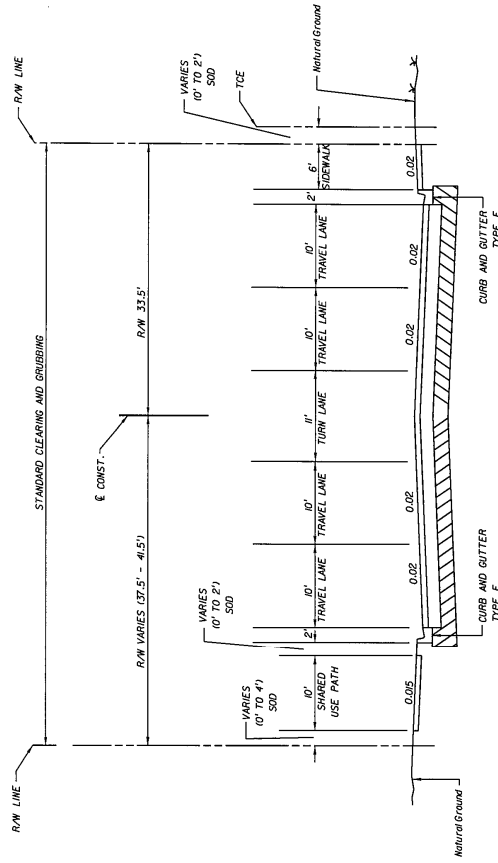
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1 inch = 3,000 feet

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ATTACHMENT 2

**TYPICAL SECTION NO. 2
NEPTUNE ROAD**



TYPICAL SECTION
CR 525
MP 6.342 TO MP 6.879

TRAFFIC DATA

CURRENT YEAR	= 2018	AADT = 21,000
ESTIMATED OPENING YEAR	= 2025	AADT = 23,000
ESTIMATED DESIGN YEAR	= 2045	AADT = 27,000
K	= 9%	D = 57.9'
T (24 HOUR)	= 5.11%	
DESIGN SPEED	= 35 MPH	
POSTED SPEED	= 35 MPH	

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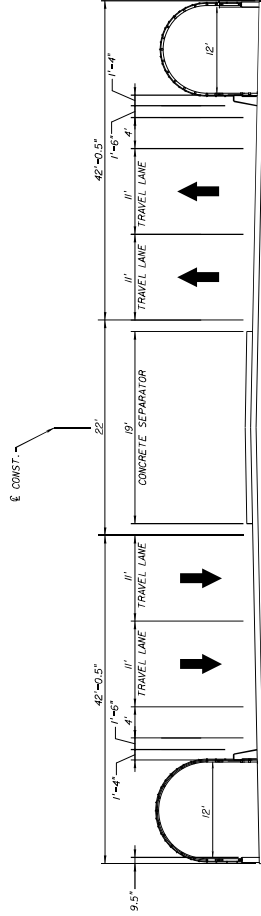
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Neptune Middle School Sports Fields

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Map of all Neptune Rd 4f Resources

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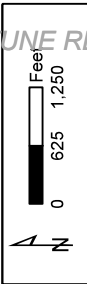
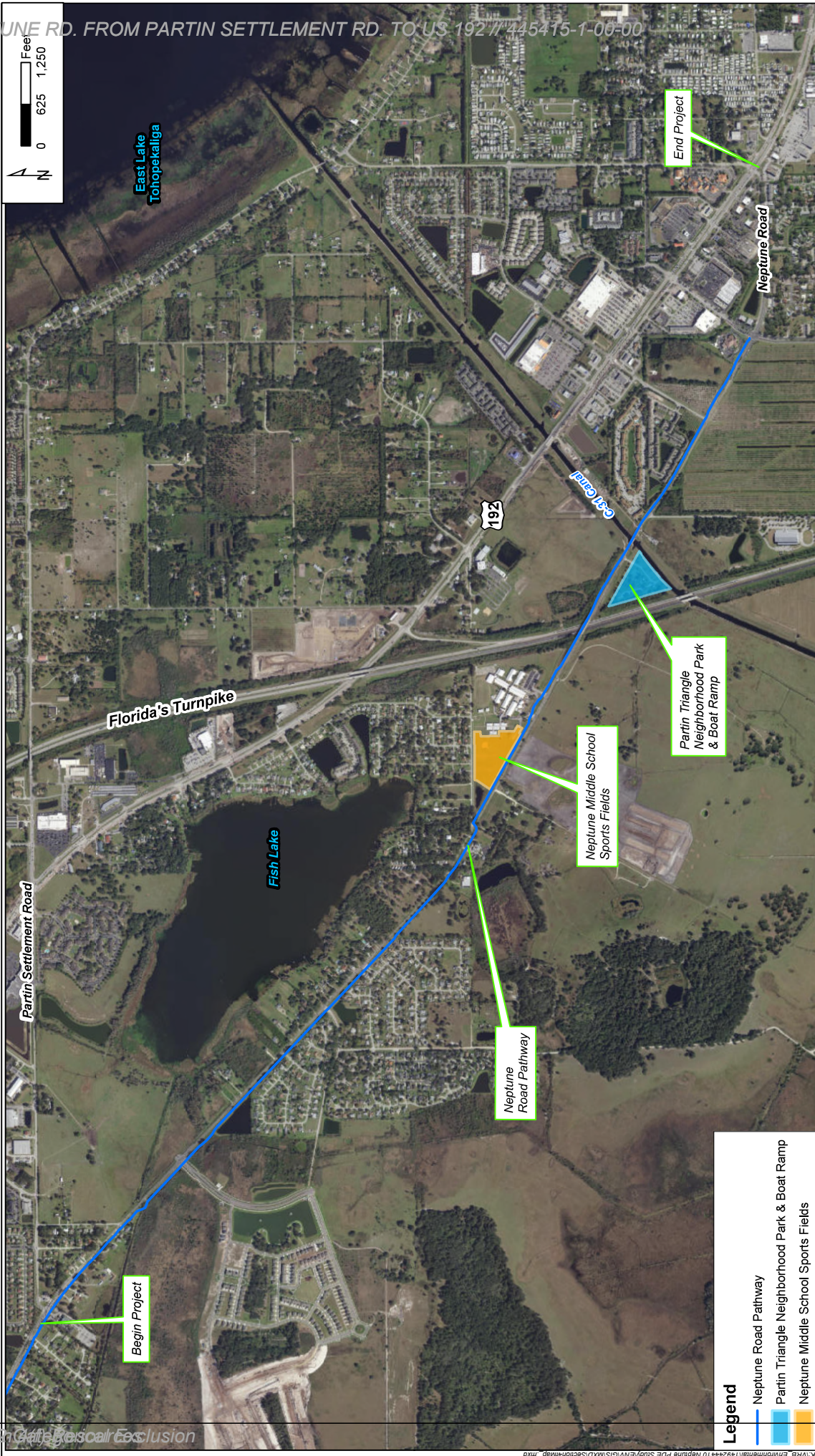
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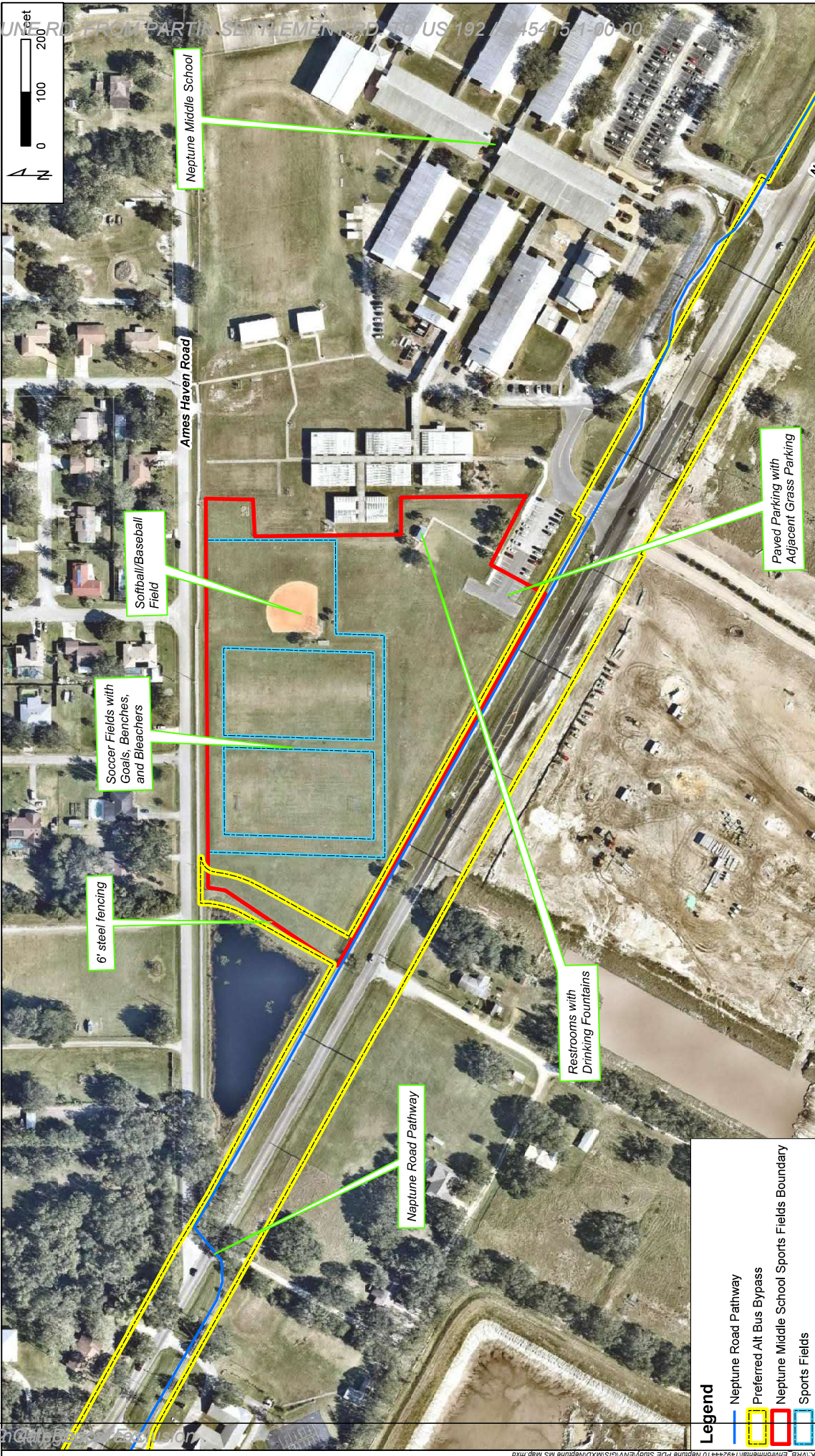
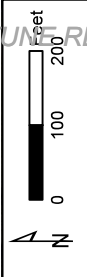


1 inch = 1,333 feet

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ATTACHMENT 2



- Legend**
- Neptune Road Pathway
 - Preferred All Bus Bypass
 - Neptune Middle School Sports Fields Boundary
 - Sports Fields

Source: aerial courtesy of MapTime



Neptune Middle School Sports Fields Map
Neptune Road from Partin Settlement Road to US 192
Project Development & Environment Study
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Osceola County, Florida

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ATTACHMENT 4

1 inch = 167 feet



Osceola County Parks Master Plan

Phase I
October 12, 2015



Parks Master Plan Phase I

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Parks Master Plan - Phase I

Shared Use Facilities

Neptune Middle School

(Athletic Fields)
(District 4)

Location	2727 Neptune Road, Kissimmee, FL 34744	
Size	11 acres	
Park Category	<i>Shared Use Facility</i>	
Features	Multi-purpose fields (4), soccer fields (2), softball/baseball practice field, benches, bleachers, drinking fountains, restrooms, grass and paved parking with ADA spaces, perimeter fencing, litter receptacles, no lighting	
Rating	<i>Function</i>	4
	<i>Maintenance</i>	3
Comments	Through an agreement with the Osceola County School District, the athletic fields are open for public use after 4 p.m. on weekdays and on weekends. The County maintains the athletic fields.	

Facility	Quantity	Activity	Amenity	Notes
Neelbossee Community Center (area included in Park)	1	Food Service	Kitchen	Refrigerator, Microwave, Sink, No Ice Machine, No Warming Facilities
	1		Meeting Space	Accommodates +- 75 People
	1		Screened Porch	
	3	Picnicking	Picnic Tables	8' Wood and Galvanized Tables On Porch
	1		Restrooms	Ladies: 1Wc, 1 Hc Wc Men: 1Hc Wc, 1 Urn
	1		Drinking Fountain	
Neptune Middle School Sports Fields 11.0 Ac.				
	4	Multi-use	Goals	
	2	Soccer	Fields	
		Softball/ Baseball	Practice Field- not reg.	
	3		Benches	
	3		Bleachers	2 Sets @ Softball, 1 Set Soccer 5-Tier , No Cover
	1		Drinking fountains	At Restroom Building
	1		Restrooms	Ladies: 1 Hc Wc Men: 1 Hc Wc
	36		Parking spaces-paved	
	4HC		Parking space- HC paved	
			Parking- grass	Field Opened For Grass Parking
	1		Fence- 6' galv. chainlink	8' Chainlink Behind Softball At Road
	6		Trash cans- green metal	
Oak Island Conservation Area 38.11 Ac.				
Oren Brown Community Park 32 Ac.				
	1		In-field Practice Field	
	1	Soccer/ Football	Field	Musco Control Link
	1	Soccer/ Football	Field	
	3	Softball	Fields	Musco Contol Link
	3		Scoreboards @ softball	
	6		Bleachers	Covered Bleachers At Softball Fields
	5		Bleachers	Uncovered Bleachers At Soccer/Football
	2 sets		Soccer Goals	
	1 set		Soccer Goals	
	3		Covered scorekeeper box	
	3		Covered dugouts	
	1	Food Service	Concession stands	
				Ladies: 2 Wc ,No Hc, Handrails Only Men: 1 Wc, 1 Urn, No Hc, Handrails Only
	1		Restrooms	At Softball Field #2 and #3 Area
	1		Flagpole	At Softball Field #2 and #3 Area
	2		Drinking fountains	At Softball Field #2 and #3 Area
	75+		Parking spaces	No Designated Parking Or Accessible Spaces, Stabilized Base
	1		Picnic Pavilion	

NEPTUNE ROAD PD&E MEETING SUMMARY

Section (f) Coordination Meeting

Date: April 2, 2019
 Location: Osceola County Conference Room #3168
 Attendees:

Name	Agency/Title	Email Address
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The purpose of the meeting was to provide an overview of the current PD&E Study and alternatives being considered and to discuss the potential Section 4(f) resources. Clif Tate began with a brief overview of the project and alternatives and Lynn Kiefer had several questions for Mr. Mindick regarding the resources. There are three potential Section 4(f) resources along the corridor: Partin Triangle Neighborhood Park, Neptune Middle School Ball Fields and the Neptune Road Pathway. A determination of applicability is being prepared as part of the PD&E for FDOT review.

General Comments

- As part of the alternatives discussion, Clif discussed the location of the multi-use trail and the impacts that would occur. The proposed improvements, though, would enhance the multi-modal capacity of the road by reconstructing the existing multi-use trail (which travels on the north side of the road from Canoe Creek Road before crossing to the south side of the road near Ames Haven Road) and adding another multi-use trail on the other side of Neptune Road. Much of existing and planned residential development occurs south of the road. It was noted that during field reviews, the team has noted many bicyclists and pedestrians using the trail. It was acknowledged that the new trail constructed on the south side of the road will also enhance access to the Partin Triangle Neighborhood Park. Mr. Mindick commented that the children from Neptune Middle School often walk from school to the Park after school.
- Alternative 1 widens the road primarily to the north and Alternative 2 widens the road primarily to the south. There are some variations on the typical section for different segments of the roadway and this was explained.
- Mr. Mindick confirmed that the Osceola County Parks Master Plan Phase I dated October 12, 2015 is a good source for information on the amenities of the park and middle school fields.
- A draft Statement of Significance letter was provided and discussed. A digital copy of the letter would be provided to Mr. Mindick for use in drafting a response as to the significance of the resources. It was discussed that each of these resources are important to the community and provide a variety of recreational activities.

Neptune Road Pathway

- This trail is referenced under several different names in literature – Bill Johnston Memorial Pathway, Neptune Road Pathway, Old Canoe Creek Connector Trail, and Neptune Recreational Pathway. The official name is Neptune Road Pathway. It is noted that the trail is still signed Bill Johnston Memorial Pathway because the county has not yet revised the signage.
- The literature and some maps show this trail as part of the Florida Scenic Trail and a map from the Florida Trails GIS data was discussed. Mr. Mindick confirmed that this trail is in the corridor of interest but is not part of the Florida Scenic Trail. The location of the Florida Scenic Trail is subject to change. It is not expected that this segment of trail will ever be part of the Florida Scenic Trail. Dale Allan with Florida Greenways and Trails Foundation would have information on the status of the Florida Trail.

Partin Triangle Neighborhood Park

- Access: A dedicated left turn lane is proposed, but the existing right turn lane is not proposed in the current concept. Mr. Mindick requested consideration to include the right turn lane. However, it is likely that the volumes do not meet warrants for a dedicated right turn. Mr. Mindick mentioned that the maintenance vehicles are generally towing a trailer and there have been several accidents when the maintenance vehicle slows to turn into a facility. This will be considered further.
- Usage: There are no formal visitation records for the park, but this park has numerous amenities and is one of the most popular neighborhood parks. In summer time usage is higher particularly with kids. Week days usage is generally greater in the morning and early evening. Weekend usage is all day. Mr. Mindick mentioned that this park is unique as it draws people from a broader area including both Kissimmee and St. Cloud.
- Ownership: Most of the park where the amenities have been constructed is owned by the County. There are parcels along the C-31 canal that are privately owned, but still considered part of the park. The County is working with the owners to clean up all the ownerships/agreements.
- The proposed improvements do not require right-of-way from the park or impact any park amenities.
- Mr. Mindick asked about construction staging as the County would discourage staging of construction equipment in the park. A commitment will be added to the PD&E that prohibits construction staging in the park.
- Due to pending annexations, it is anticipated that the City of St. Cloud will take over maintenance of this park, but there is no time certain when this could occur.
- To the County's knowledge, the park was not acquired with or improved with funds from the Land and Water Conservation Act (Section 6(f)). Susan Gosslin or Rick Baird would be the contact for the boat ramp area.
- Planned improvements: Contact Susan Gosslin or Rick Baird regarding any planned improvements to the boat ramp area. There are no current planned improvements for the remainder of the park.
- Hours of Operation: Confirmed park is open to the public during daylight hours seven days a week.
- There are no special events held at the park.
- SFWMD can access the canal through the park, but they have access north of the park from SFWMD canal right-of-way.

- Unusual circumstances that limit or enhance the value of the resource were discussed. It was confirmed that the number of amenities and the water access enhances the value of this park and the size (approximately 5 acres) is a limitation.

Neptune Middle School Ballfields

- The ball fields are owned by the Osceola County School District but managed through an agreement with the County Parks and Recreation Department. Mr. Mindick indicated that Jeff Ball, School District should have a copy of agreement. It was discussed that Josh could reach out to Mr. Ball for a copy.
- The limits of the property managed by Parks and Recreation was discussed. They manage the open soccer, multipurpose and baseball/softball fields and the restroom. They do not manage the lake at the northwest end of the school property.
- The proposed improvements require right-of-way from the school property, but there are no impacts to the sports fields, parking, restrooms or access.
- Access: The current access to the school will be maintained.
- Visitation: Visitation records are not kept for the fields.
- The Parks and Recreation Department does not hold any special events. The school may hold events.
- Hours of Operation: after 4 p.m. weekdays and on weekends.
- There are no planned improvements for the ball fields.

This summary serves to document this meeting. If anyone wishes to modify or append to this account, please contact Lynn Kiefer either by phone at 772-794-4075 or by email at lynn.kiefer@kimley-horn.com.

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Transportation & Transit Department



November 15, 2019

Mr. Robert Mindick
Osceola County Director of Parks and Public Lands
Osceola County Government
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Kissimmee, FL 34741

Tawny Olore, PE
Executive Director

Subject: Neptune Middle School – Intent to Pursue a Section 4(f) *de minimis*
Impact Determination
Neptune Road Project Development & Environment Study
From Partin Settlement Road to US 192
FM Number: 445415-1
ETDM Number: 14402
County: Osceola

Joshua DeVries, AICP
Transportation Planning

Dear Mr. Mindick:

As we have discussed previously, the widening of Neptune Road from Partin Settlement Road to US 192 will require right-of-way (R/W) along the frontage of the Neptune Middle School within the approximately 11-acre Neptune Middle School Sports Fields parcel. The widening requires approximately 0.79 acres or approximately 7% of the Sports Fields parcel. This impact does not impact the parking, restrooms or existing baseball, soccer or multi-use fields. The impacts occur only to the existing fence and mowed grass areas adjacent to the existing Neptune Road. As discussed, access will remain open to this area throughout construction and the fencing will be replaced.

Kathy Lee, PE
Traffic Engineering

Under Section 4(f) of the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966, this park property is considered a Section 4(f) resource. Section 4(f) pertains to the protection of public resource lands such as parks, recreation areas, or wildlife and waterfowl refuges of national, state, or local significance. The use of a Section 4(f) resource may not be approved unless it is first determined that the use of the property will have *de minimis* impact on the property, per 23 CFR 774.3. Once it has been determined that no feasible and prudent avoidance alternative exists, minimization efforts to reduce the impact to a Section 4(f) property should be pursued.

Todd Hudson, PE
Transportation Engineering

The Osceola County project team has evaluated alternatives for widening Neptune Road that minimizes impacts on the natural, physical, social and cultural environment. The minor R/W acquisition is the minimum needed to construct the proposed improvements. Coordination on potential impacts occurred during our April 2, 2019 meeting to discuss the project and during subsequent informal meetings throughout the PD&E Study. Based on this coordination, it has been determined that the project improvements will have no impact to the existing activities, features, and attributes of the Neptune Middle School Sports Fields, and will not interfere with the primary functions of the park. Though this is a permanent impact, this impact does not contain activities, features, or attributes (e.g., ball fields, picnic areas, parking, restrooms, multi-use fields, etc.) enjoyed by the community. Also, there will

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be no material alteration or effect on its current or future use, as the impacted portion of the park is located adjacent to the existing roadway where there are no existing or planned facilities.

Based on the assessment conducted during this study, the Florida Department of Transportation's Office of Environmental Management (OEM) intends to make a determination that the impact to the park property is *de minimis*. A *de minimis* impact is one that, after taking into account avoidance, minimization, mitigation and enhancement measures, results in no adverse effect to the activities, features, or attributes qualifying the park, recreation area, or refuge for protection under Section 4(f). In order for the FDOT's OEM to make a final Section 4(f) *de minimis* finding, written concurrence is required from the official with jurisdiction over the impacted resource that the project (including all measures to mitigate and minimize harm) will not adversely affect the activities, features, or attributes that qualify the property for protection under Section 4(f) [23CFR § 774.5(b)(2) and 23 CFR § 774.17].

To acknowledge that you have been notified of the intent to apply the Section 4(f) *de minimis* finding; and that the 0.79 acre conversion of this approximately 11 acre park property to transportation use is acceptable; and to acknowledge your agreement that the activities, features, and attributes of the park will not be adversely affected, please provide concurrence in the signature block provided below and return the signed copy to me.

If you should have any further questions or comments, please contact me at (407) 742-7813 or Joshua.DeVries@Osceola.org.

Sincerely yours,

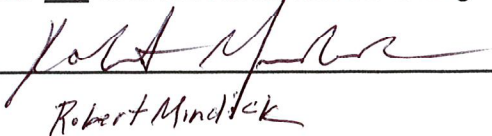


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Osceola County, Parks and Public Lands

concur/ does not concur with the findings and recommendations contained in this cover letter.

Is/  Date 11/15/19
Robert Mindick

Transportation & Transit Department



October 5, 2020

Mr. Robert Mindick
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Tawny Olore, PE
Executive Director

Dear Mr. Mindick:

As we have discussed previously, the widening of Neptune Road from Partin Settlement Road to US 192 will require right-of-way (R/W) along the frontage of the Neptune Middle School. The proposed improvements to Neptune Road require approximately 0.17 acres of R/W from the Neptune Middle School Sports Fields Boundary along the existing Neptune Road. Through coordination with the Neptune Middle School, it was determined that the school desires to relocate school bus service from the current signalized connection to Neptune Road in the front of the school, to the back of the school via Ames Haven Road. The school requested that the Neptune Road improvement project include relocating Ames Haven Road to intersect Neptune Road opposite of Breezewood Street, which will provide additional connectivity with the Tohoqua Development. The expectation is that this intersection will become signalized in the future, supporting bus access via Ames Haven Road. To minimize the impacts, the relocation of Ames Haven Road is proposed to be a “T” intersection as illustrated in the attached map. The relocation of Ames Haven Road requires approximately 0.29 acres of R/W from the Neptune Middle School Sports Fields Boundary.

The acquisition of this R/W (total of approximately 0.46 acres) is the minimum necessary to construct the proposed improvements. The total R/W needed represents approximately five percent of the approximately 8.5-acre Neptune Middle School Sports Fields Boundary. The impact is permanent but does not impact any of the existing features, attributes or facilities of the facility (parking, restroom, multi-use field, soccer field, baseball field etc.). The impacts occur only to the existing fence and mowed grass areas adjacent to the existing Neptune Road and adjacent to an existing stormwater pond. As discussed, access will remain open to this area throughout construction and the fencing will be replaced.

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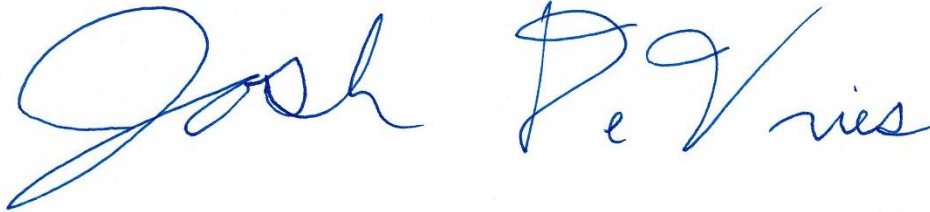
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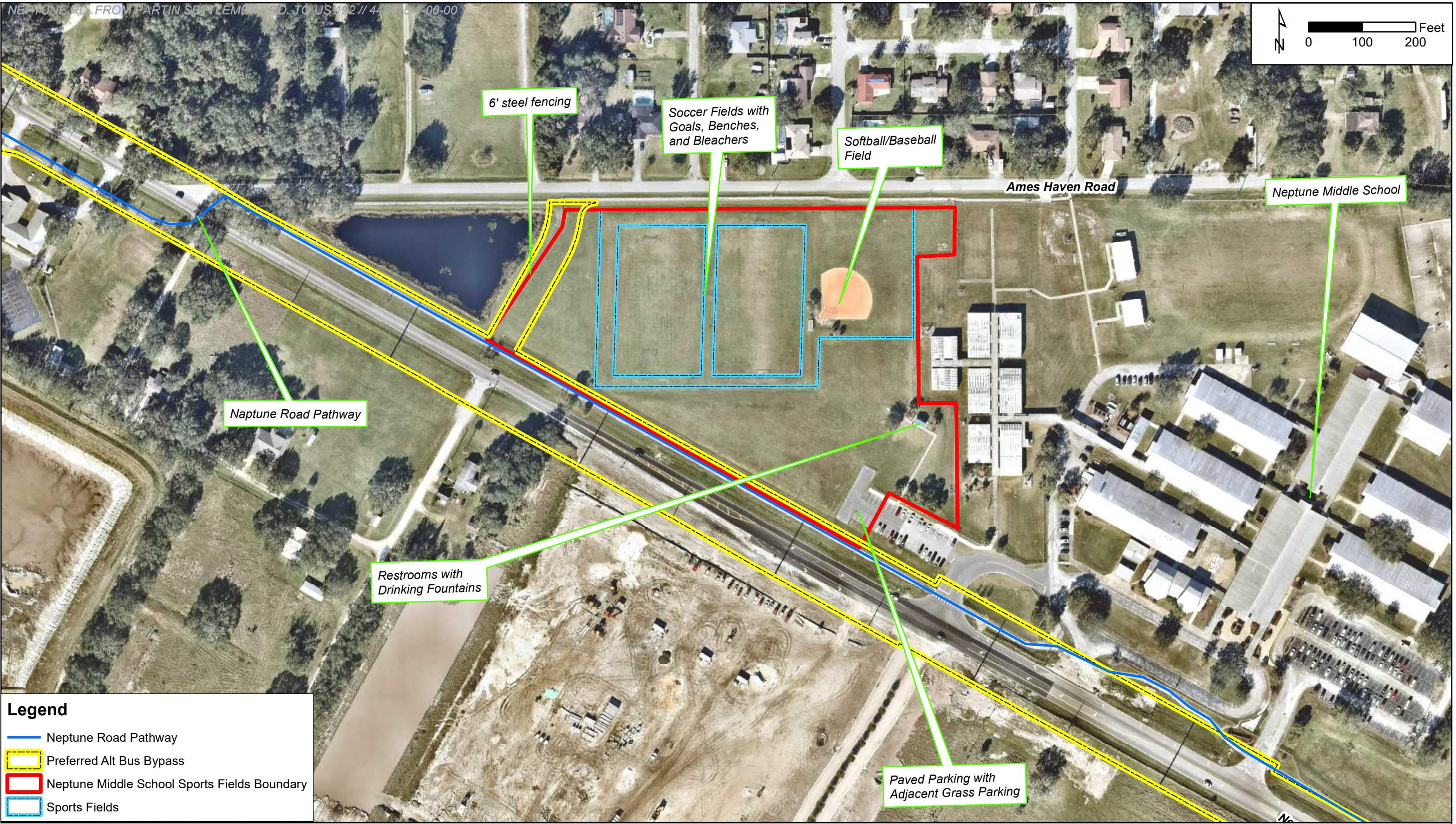
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X concur/ does not concur with the findings and recommendations contained in this cover letter.

/s/ Robert Mindick Date 10/5/2020



Legend

- Neptune Road Pathway
- Preferred Alt Bus Bypass
- Neptune Middle School Sports Fields Boundary
- Sports Fields

Source: Aerial courtesy of NearMap

Neptune Middle School Sports Fields Map
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Section 4(f) – Parks and Recreation

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Agency/Department	Transportation and Transit
Start	September 24, 2020 6:00 pm
End	September 24, 2020 8:00 pm
Location	Telephonic/Osceola Heritage Park Events Center St. Cloud Room, 1901 Chief Osceola Trail, Kissimmee, FL 34744

Details

6:00 pm to 6:45 pm - Open House (in-person only)
6:45 pm - Formal Presentation and Public Comment

Osceola County invites you to a public hearing regarding Neptune Road, from Partin Settlement Road to US 192 on Thursday, September 24, 2020, beginning at 6:00 pm. The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

The proposed project improves the existing 2-lane roadway to a 4-lane roadway with bicycle and pedestrian facilities. The public hearing is being held to present information and obtain public input.

Osceola County is offering two ways for the community to participate in the public hearing. Interested persons may join the Virtual Public Hearing (VPH) from a computer, tablet or cell phone. Or, they may participate in person by going to the Osceola Heritage Park Events Center (location above). All participants, regardless of platform they choose, will participate in the same live public hearing.

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Project Description

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