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Michael J. Busha, AICP  
Executive Director  
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council  
421 SW Camden Avenue  
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Dear Mr. Busha,

Thank you for expressing the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council's concerns regarding pedestrian safety improvements along the All Aboard Florida (AAF) project. We value your comments and understand that public and agency involvement will better ensure that the All Aboard Florida (AAF) project provides a service that benefits the communities along the proposed passenger rail corridor.

Safety is the Department's highest priority with transportation programs and facilities. As indicated previously we are requiring AAF to comply with the Federal Railroad Administration's guidelines and Florida laws and regulations pertaining to highway-rail grade crossings.

The Department does not have jurisdiction over the structure of agreements between the rail company and the local governments requesting rights to cross railroad right-of-way.

Thank you again for continuing to express your Council's views related to the AAF project.

Sincerely,

  
Jim Boxold  
Secretary

cc: Todd Gruenemeier, Manager, Florida Rail Office