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FDOT Traffic Advisory

New Four-Way Stop Signal at SR 559 and CR 557A/Camp Gilead Drive

Bartow, Fla. – A new four-way flashing red signal at SR 559 and CR 557A/Camp Gilead Drive, just north of I-4 in Polk City, will begin operating on Monday, February 28, 2022. The new signal will flash red on all four sides requiring motorists on SR 559, CR 557A and Camp Gilead Drive to stop at the intersection before proceeding.

The new signal replaces a two-way stop signal that previously only flashed red for northbound motorists on SR 559 and southbound motorists on Camp Gilead Drive as they approached the intersection. Eastbound motorists on SR 559 and westbound motorists on CR 557A previously passed through the intersection under a flashing yellow caution signal without stopping. Starting Monday, all four approaches must stop before proceeding through the intersection.

Signs will be in place to alert motorists of the change, and all are reminded to use extra caution until everyone is used to the new signal pattern.

The signal is part of an FDOT safety project that also included widening the turn radius on SR 559 south of CR 557A, improving the slope at the curve west of the intersection and resurfacing the roadway. The project began in October 2021 and will be complete approximately two weeks following activation of the signal.

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