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**Median at US 98 and Colbert Road in Lakeland to be Closed Temporarily
The median will re-open when the new signal is installed**

Bartow, Fla. – Crews will temporarily close the median opening at US 98 and Colbert Road/Lake Hancock Road on Monday, August 29. The temporary closure will remain in place until a new signal is installed at the intersection. The temporary closure is expected to improve safety for the motoring public as well as construction workers on the project until the new signal is in place to control traffic.

Motorists wanting to turn left out of Colbert Road onto US 98 north or left onto Colbert Road from US 98 north should use the signalized intersection at Clubhouse Road as an alternate.

Southbound US 98 motorists wanting to turn left onto Lake Hancock Road should continue south on US 98 and make a U-Turn at Clubhouse Road. Motorists will still be able to turn right out of Colbert Road and head south on US 98 or right from US 98 north to Lake Hancock Road.

Work on the new signal project at the intersection began on August 14 and is expected to be completed by the end of 2022/early 2023. For more information or to follow along with weekly planned traffic impacts during construction, visit www.swflroads.com/us98-colbert-signal.

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Note: Intersection Photo Attached

Intersection of US 98 and Colbert Road with Median Closure

