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A. Crawford County Vision Zero Resolution

Crawford



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Resolution

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ADOPTING A GOAL TO ELIMINATE TRAFFIC DEATHS AND SERIOUS INJURIES BY 2035 AND ENDORSING A SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL (SS4A) SAFETY ACTION PLAN AS A COMPREHENSIVE AND HOLISTIC APPROACH TO ACHIEVING THIS GOAL

WHEREAS, Crawford County's comprehensive plan, Crawford Inspired, crafted a community-wide vision that aspires to create a place that appeals to and retains people by focusing on community priorities like the support of healthy living; and

WHEREAS, according to data from the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT), there were 3,675 traffic collisions in Crawford County between 2019 and 2023; and

WHEREAS, during that same period, there were 58 Fatalities and 157 Suspected Serious Injury Crashes in Crawford County; and

WHEREAS, one death or serious injury in Crawford County is one too many, and County officials, Planning Commission, and departmental leadership are dedicated to strategies that aim to reduce and eliminate deaths and serious injuries in the County; and

WHEREAS, Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) is a public health-based traffic safety program to reduce and eventually eliminate traffic deaths and serious

injuries using a data-driven, multi-disciplinary, and safe systems approach that also increases safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all; and

WHEREAS, SS4A recognized that while human error will always occur, a combination of engineering, education, and enforcement measures can reduce collisions and prevent collisions from causing death or serious injuries; and

WHEREAS, simple design solutions, such as road safety audits, traffic calming elements, leading pedestrian intervals, variable speed limits, bicycle lanes, and other Proven Safety Countermeasures, can reduce fatal and serious injury crashes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS that on the _____ day of _____, 2025:

Section 1: That the Crawford County Commissioners hereby adopt a goal of eliminating traffic deaths and serious injuries by 2035 and endorse a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Safety Action Plan as a comprehensive and holistic approach to achieving this goal; and

Section 2: That through better planning, engineering, education, and enforcement, the action plan should, without limitation, include the following:

- Crash data and identification of a high injury network (HIN);
- Prioritized project list for implementation;
- Framework for evaluation of outcomes.

Section 3: The project list identified in the SS4A Safety Action Plan will be considered for inclusion in future SS4A Implementation grants and other regional, state, or federal funding programs.

Section 4: The County staff will allocate a section of the Crawford County Planning Annual report to highlight progress toward the SS4A goals, tracking process, and outcome metrics, to be defined in the SS4A Safety Action Plan.

Section 5: District 1 of the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation should be provided copies of the SS4A Safety Action Plan for inclusion as a resource when evaluating design and construction investments proposed across Crawford County. Section 6: Municipalities across Crawford County should be provided copies of the SS4A Safety Action Plan to encourage collaboration and proactive countermeasures to improve the safety of our transportation network, which local governments have a vital role in maintaining and owning.

CRAWFORD COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Scott Schell, Vice-Chairman

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk rittany Johnson,

Christopher Seeley, Secretary

B. High Injury Network List – Top 20

- With Horse & Buggy Crashes
- Without Horse & Buggy Crashes

High Injury Network Top 20 Locations List – with Horse & Buggy Crashes

Rank	Location	Road Name	Segment Extents	Length (Miles)	KSI* Crashes	VRU** Crashes	Horse & Buggy
1	Conneaut Lake	SR 18	Shady Ave. and Edgeview Ave.	0.3	2	2	0
2	Titusville	SR 27 (Central Ave.)	Diamond St. and Caldwell St.	0.6	1	3	0
3	Buell's Corners	SR 89	Fairview Rd. and Buells Corners Rd.	0.6	3	0	1
4	Titusville	SR 8 (Spring St.)	Schwartz Lane and West Central Ave.	0.5	3	1	0
5	Kerrtown	SR 6 EB (Smock Highway)	Mercer Pike and French Creek Bridge	0.7	2	1	0
6	Kerrtown	SR 6 EB (Smock Highway	Pennsylvania Ave. and Mercer Pike	0.3	2	1	0
7	Meadville	SR 1001 (Park Ave.)	Baldwin St. and North St.	0.3	1	1	0
8	Adamsville	SR 18 (Main St.)	Atlantic Rd. and Salem Harwood	0.5	1	0	2
9	SW Meadville	SR 6 EB (Conneaut Lake Rd.)	Perry Highway and Dawn Drive	0.6	2	1	0
10	SW Meadville	SR 19 (Perry Hwy.)	Krider Rd./Bailey Rd. and Ridge Drive	0.5	2	1	0
11	Meadville	SR 1001 (Park Ave.)	Gasteiger Rd. and Park Ave./Doughty Ave.	0.5	2	1	0
12	Conneaut Lake	SR 322 (State St.)	Water St. and Marshall St.	0.6	2	1	0
13	Meadville	SR 27 (North St.)	Park Ave. and State St.	0.3	0	3	0
14	Meadville	SR 1001 (Park Ave. Extension)	Poplar St. and North St.	0.5	1	1	0
15	SW Meadville	SR 6 EB (Conneaut Lake Rd.)	Dawn Dr. and I-79	0.6	1	1	0
16	S Meadville	SR 322 (Cochranton Rd.)	North of McHenry St.	0.6	1	1	0
17	Meadville	SR 2012 (Chestnut Rd.)	South Main St. and Ernst Pl.	0.5	1	1	0
18	SW Meadville	SR 19 (Perry Highway)	McMath Ave. and Patricia Rd.	0.5	3	0	0
19	S Titusville	SR 8 (Franklin St.)	Dewey Rd. and St. John St.	0.4	1	1	0
20	Conneaut Lake	SR 6 (Water St.)	West of SR 618 and East of Ninth St.	0.7	1	1	0

*KSI = Fatal and Serious Injury // **VRU = Vulnerable Road User

High Injury Network Top 20 Locations List – without Horse & Buggy Crashes

Rank	Location	Road Name	Segment Extents	Length (Miles)	KSI* Crashes	VRU** Crashes	Horse & Buggy
1	Conneaut Lake	SR 18	Shady Ave. and Edgeview Ave.	0.3	2	2	0
2	Titusville	SR 27 (Central Ave.)	Diamond St. and Caldwell St.	0.6	1	3	0
3	Titusville	SR 8 (Spring St.)	Schwartz Lane and West Central Ave.	0.5	3	1	0
4	Kerrtown	SR 6 EB (Smock Highway)	Mercer Pike and French Creek Bridge	0.7	2	1	0
5	Kerrtown	SR 6 EB (Smock Highway	Pennsylvania Ave. and Mercer Pike	0.3	2	1	0
6	Meadville	SR 1001 (Park Ave.)	Baldwin St. and North St.	0.3	1	1	0
7	Adamsville	SR 18 (Main St.)	Atlantic Rd. and Salem Harwood	0.5	1	0	2
8	SW Meadville	SR 6 EB (Conneaut Lake Rd.)	Perry Highway and Dawn Drive	0.6	2	1	0
9	Meadville	SR 1001 (Park Ave. Extension)	Gasteiger Rd. and Park Ave./Doughty Ave.	0.5	2	1	0
10	Conneaut Lake	SR 322 (State St.)	Water St. and Marshall St.	0.6	2	1	0
11	Meadville	SR 27 (North St.)	Park Ave. and State St.	0.3	0	3	0
12	Meadville	SR 1001 (Park Ave. Extension)	Poplar St. and North St.	0.5	1	1	0
13	SW Meadville	SR 6 EB (Conneaut Lake Rd.)	Dawn Dr. and I-79	0.6	1	1	0
14	S Meadville	SR 322 (Cochranton Rd.)	North of McHenry St.	0.6	1	1	0
15	Meadville	SR 2012 (Chestnut Rd.)	South Main St. and Ernst Pl.	0.5	1	1	0
16	SW Meadville	SR 19 (Perry Highway)	McMath Ave. and Patricia Rd.	0.5	3	0	0
17	S Titusville	SR 8 (Franklin St.)	Dewey Rd. and St. John St.	0.4	1	1	0
18	Conneaut Lake	SR 6 (Water St.)	West of SR 618 and East of Ninth St.	0.7	1	1	0
19	Cussewago Twp.	SR 98	North of Center Rd.	0.3	1	1	0
20	Linesville	SR 6 (Penn St.)	Church St. and Erie St.	0.3	1	1	0

*KSI = Fatal and Serious Injury // **VRU = Vulnerable Road User

C. High Injury Network Top 10 Locations - Countermeasure Profiles





Notable Collision Patterns



Hit Dark Non-Motorist Illumination

Planning References

• N/A









Horse and Buggy



Hit Fixed Stop-Controlled Object

2024/2025 - PennDOT District 1-0 Intersection Improvement Activities: removing vegetation to improve corner sight distance on SR 1022, doubledup solar LED Stop signs with reflective strips, and doubled-up Stop Ahead signs with reflective strips

(note: a second stop sign was unable to be installed on the westbound Buells Corner Rd (SR 1022) approach, due to the current business' driveway access design)





Notable Collision Patterns



Rear End

Collision

Angle at Head On Stop-Controlled Collision

Planning References

TIP Future Development

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- SR 0008 Highway Restoration
- Erie to Pittsburgh Trail Extension through City of Titusville (one proposed route option is on/crosses this section of SR 0008)
- Northwest of the Project Area: Oil Creek Township is looking to add sidewalks on SR 0008 near Walmart





Notable Collision Patterns



Rear End Collisions at Collision Driveways

Angle at

Signal

Red Light Running

Speeding

Planning References

- Meadville Traffic/Land Use Study for SR 19/SR 98/ US 6/322 Corridor (<u>Meadville (Vernon) Traffic Land</u> <u>Use Report SR19-98,US6-322.pdf</u>)
- Upcoming CATA Initiative: install a new pull-off bus stop between Shaw Avenue and Charles St.
- PennDOT District 1-0 Network Screening Profile (for the intersection at Pennsylvania Ave./Shaw Ave.)





Notable Collision Patterns



Angle at Angle at Stop-Controlled Signal

Bicycle Involved Collision

Planning References

N/A



Conneaut Lake Rd (SR 0006)

Vernon Township **Crawford County**



Collision History (2019-2023)



Notable Collision Patterns



Angle

Collisions

Head On

Collision

Rear End Collisions at Same Driveways Direction Side Collisions Swipes

Planning References

Meadville Traffic/Land Use Study for SR 19/SR 98/ US 6/322 Corridor (Meadville (Vernon) Traffic Land Use Report SR19-98, US6-322.pdf)

Length of the Corridor





Notable Collision Patterns

Hit Fixed

Object



Angle at Stop-Controlled Deer Related

Planning References

- TIP in Development
 - SR 0019 Highway Resurfacing
- Ernst Trail extension crossing of SR 0019 located about a half mile south of this segment (discussions amongst trail advocates that a vertically separated crossing would reduce conflicts between drivers and trail users)

D. High Injury Network Top 10 Locations - Countermeasure Profile Project Tables

				Crawford County Safety A	ction Plan - Hig	h Injury Netwo	ork Top 10 Loca	tions			
	Project Profiles Table										
	Location In	formation		Countermeasure Information	Countermeasure Information Implementation Informa						
Top 10 Rating	Project Area	Jurisdiction	Location	Countermeasure	FHWA Proven Safety Countermeasure	Implementation Horizon	Lead Organization	Supporting Organization(s)	2025 Planning Level Cost Estimate Range*	Potential Funding Source	
				•Access Management - Driveways		Medium Term / Long Term	Conneaut Lake	Crawford County, PennDOT	High/Very High	Multimodal Transportation Fund	
				•Pedestrian Walkways	Yes	Medium Term	Conneaut Lake	Crawford County, PennDOT	High	Multimodal Transportation Fund, Transport	
				•Pedestrian Warning Advanced Signage		Short Term	PennDOT		Low		
1	SR 18 Segment 0120 (between Shady Ave.	Conneaut Lake	Length of Corridor	•Lighting	Yes	Medium Term	PennDOT		Medium	Multimodal Transportation Fund	
	and Edgeview Ave.)			•Update Pavement Markings		Short Term	PennDOT		Low		
				•Engineering Study for Placement of High Visibility Crosswalk(s) with RRFB	Yes	Short Term	Conneaut Lake	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding	
				•Engineering Speed Study to Evaluate Posted Speed Limit (and need for traffic calming)	Yes	Short Term	PennDOT	Conneaut Lake, Crawford County	Low		
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			Length of Corridor	•High Visibility Crosswalks	Yes	Short Term	Titusville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding, Multimodal Transportation I	
				•Engineering Study to Identify Traffic Calming Measures for Speed Management	Yes	Medium Term	Titusville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low		
2	SR 27 Segment 0490 Central Ave.	Titusville	Intersection at Drake St.	•Access Management – Driveway (Gas Station on NE Corner)		Medium Term / Long Term	Titusville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Medium	ARLE Funding, Multimodal Transportation F Multimodal Transportation Fund ARLE Funding	
-	(between Diamond St. and Caldwell St.)		Intersection at Kerr St.	•Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon (RRFB)	Yes	Short Term	Titusville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding, Multimodal Transportation R	
			Intersection at Murdock Blvd.	•Reconfigure Intersection Approach for Main St.		Medium Term	PennDOT	Titusville, Crawford County	Very High	Multimodal Transportation Fund	
				•Engineering Study for Placement of High Visibility Crosswalk with RRFB (at Murdock Blvd.)	Yes	Short Term	Titusville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding	
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		Buell's Corners	Length of Corridor	•Add Paved Shoulders		Medium Term	PennDOT		High/Very High		
				•Engineering Study to Evaluate Speed Management Needs	Yes	Short Term	PennDOT	Buells Corner, PennDOT	Low		
	SR 89 Segment 0220		Intersection at Buells Corners Rd. (SR 1022)	•Doubled-up, Oversized Advance Intersection Ahead Signs, with Reflective Strips (on the SR 0089 approach)	Yes	Short Term	PennDOT		Low		
3	(between Fairview Rd. and Buells Corners Rd.)			•Engineering Study for Multi-Way Stop Installation (to determine whether Multi-Way Stop is a good solution for this location or if other strategies would be more effective rumble strips, flashing warning signage, dynamic warning signage, roundabout, traffic signal, etc.)		Short Term	Crawford County	Buells Corner, PennDOT	Low		
				•Evaluate Whether to Modify Corner Embankments to Improve Sight Distance		Short Term	PennDOT		Low		
				•Access Management – Driveway		Medium Term / Long Term	Crawford County	Buells Corner, PennDOT	High		
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			Length of Corridor	•High Visibility Crosswalks	Yes	Short Term	Titusville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding, Multimodal Transportation I	
			Northeastern End	•Engineering Speed Study to Shift Location of Speed Limit Reduction to be in Advance of the Curve (i.e. further west and also evaluate whether to shift the prior 35 MPH speed further west as well)		Short Term	PennDOT	Titusville, Crawford County	Low		
	SR 8 Segment 0040			•Engineering Study to Identify Traffic Calming Measures for Speed Management	Yes	Medium Term	PennDOT	Titusville, Crawford County	Low		
4	Spring St. (between Schwartz Lane	Titusville	Intersection at Walnut St.	Left Turn Restrictions from Walnut St.		Short Term	PennDOT	Titusville, Crawford County	Low		
	and West Central Ave.)		Intersection at 2nd St.	Left Turn Restrictions from 2nd St.		Short Term	PennDOT	Titusville, Crawford County	Low		
				•Add /Refresh Wrong Way Arrow Pavement Markings on the W Central Ave. Approach		Short Term	PennDOT		Low		
			Intersection at Central Ave. William Finn Hwy. (SR 27)	Review and Update One-Way Signage A Signage A Signage A Signage A Signage Signage		Short Term	PennDOT		Low		
				•Engineering Study to Explore Roundabout	Yes	Long Term	Crawford County	Titusville, PennDOT	Medium		

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				•Corridor Access Management - Extend Median and Review Driveway Access		Medium Term / Long Term	Crawford County	Kerrtown, PennDOT	High/Very High		
				•Update Pavement Markings		Short Term	PennDOT		Medium		
			Length of Corridor	•Pedestrian Walkways	Yes	Medium Term	Kerrtown	Crawford County, PennDOT	Very High	Multimodal Transportation Fund, Transporta Alternatives Set Aside Funding	
				•Engineering Study to Explore Roundabouts to Replace One or More Signalized Intersections	Yes	Long Term	Crawford County	Kerrtown, PennDOT	Medium		
				•Engineering Study to Explore Road Diet	Yes	Medium Term	Crawford County	Kerrtown, PennDOT	Medium		
				•Engineering Study for Exclusive Left-Turn Signal Phasing (for Eastbound and Westbound Approaches)		Medium Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	Green Light-Go Funding	
			Ave./ Shaw Ave.	•Evaluate Yellow Clearance and All Red Clearance Intervals	Yes	Short Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	Green Light-Go Funding	
	SR 6 EB Segment 0490 Smock Highway (between Pennsylvania Ave. and the French Creek Bridge)	Kerrtown		•Retroreflective Backplates on Signal Heads	Yes	Short Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding	
5&6			Intersection at Mercer Pike (SR 101) / Kennedy Hill Rd. (SR 3025) Home Depot Driveway Entrance	•Engineering Study for Dedicated Left-Turn Signal Phasing (for Northbound and Southbound Approaches)	Yes	Medium Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	Green Light-Go Funding	
				•Evaluate Yellow Clearance and All Red Clearance Intervals	Yes	Short Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	Green Light-Go Funding	
				•Retroreflective Backplates on Signal Heads	Yes	Short Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding	
				•Engineering Study for Exclusive Only Left-Turn Signal Phasing (for Southbound Approach)	Yes	Medium Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	Green Light-Go Funding	
				•Evaluate Yellow Clearance and All Red Clearance Intervals	Yes	Short Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	Green Light-Go Funding	
				•Retroreflective Backplates on Signal Heads	Yes	Short Term	Kerrtown	PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding	
			Between Home Depot Driveway and Park Ave. Plaza Driveway Exit	•Advanced Destination Signage for Park Ave Plaza exit on the right		Short Term	PennDOT		Low		
			Park Ave. Plaza Driveway Exit	 Pedestrian Walkway (to connect Smock Bridge sidewalk to the Park Ave Plaza shopping) 	Yes	Medium Term	Kerrtown	Crawford County, PennDOT	High/Very High	Multimodal Transportation Fund	
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			Length of Corridor	High Visibility Crosswalks	Yes	Short Term	Meadville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding, Multimodal Transportation Fu	
				•Engineering Study to Extend 25 MPH Speed Limit	Yes	Short Term	PennDOT	Meadville, Crawford County	Low		
				•Evaluate Whether to Add Bicycle Facilities	Yes	Medium Term	Meadville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding, Multimodal Transportation Fu	
7	SR 1001 Segment 0030 Park Ave.	Meadville		•Engineering Study to Identify Traffic Calming Measures for Speed Management	Yes	Medium Term	PennDOT	Meadville, Crawford County	Low		
	(between Baldwin St. and North St.)		Intersection at North St. (SR	•Evaluate Yellow Clearance Intervals	Yes	Short Term	Meadville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	Green Light-Go Funding	
			27)	•Visually Reduce Corner Curb Radius on All Corners (through pavement marking and/or colored surface treatments)"		Short Term	PennDOT	Meadville, Crawford County	Low	ARLE Funding	
			Intersection at Randolph St.	•Engineering Study to Evaluate Potential Signalization (or Simply Increased Stop Sign Visibility Measures)		Medium Term	Meadville	Crawford County, PennDOT	Low	ARLE Funding	
	CD 19 Correct 0020										
8	Main St.	Adamsville	Length of Corridor	•Widen Paved Shoulders		Medium Term	PennDOT		High/Very High		
	Salem Hardwood Location			•Horse & Buggy Warning Signage		Short Term	PennDOT		Low		

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			Length of Corridor	•Engineering Study to Explore Road Diet	Yes	Medium Term	Crawford County	PennDOT	Medium															
				•Engineering Study to Identify Traffic Calming Measures for Speed Management	Yes	Medium Term	Crawford County	PennDOT	Low															
				•Engineering Study for Exclusive Left-Turn Signal Phasing	Yes	Medium Term	Vernon Twp.	PennDOT	Low	Green Light-Go Funding ARLE Funding														
	SR 6 EB Segment 0450			•Reduce the Curb Radius on the Southwest Corner		Medium Term	PennDOT	Vernon Twp., Crawford County	Medium															
9	(between Perry Highway and Dawn Dr.)	Vernon Township Dawn Dr.) Vernon Township Dawn Dr.) Vernon Township Dawn Dr.) Vernon Township Dawn Dr.) Vernon Township Intersection at Vernon Pl. •Re Red Figure Chipotle & Sears Appliance Center Driveway •Ad	•Rebuild Signal and Realign Traffic Signal Heads Over the Receiving Lanes (Northbound and Southbound Approaches)		Medium Term	Vernon Twp.	PennDOT	Medium	ARLE Funding															
				•Engineering Study to Explore Roundabout to Replace the Signalized Intersection	Yes	Long Term	Crawford County	Vernon Twp., PennDOT	Medium															
			Chipotle & Sears Appliance Center Driveway	•Add Pavement Markings to Separate Entering and Exiting Traffic		Short Term	Vernon Twp.	PennDOT	Low															
				•Realign Driveway Entrance as Perpendicular to Conneaut Lake Rd.		Medium Term	Vernon Twp.	PennDOT	High															
				•Add No Left Turn Signage		Short Term	PennDOT		Low															
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																	Length of Corridor	•Engineering Study to Extend 45 MPH Speed Limit (consider speed management countermeasures, if appropriate)	Yes	Short Term	PennDOT		Low	
10	SR 19 Segment 0180 Perry Highway	Vornon Township	Intersection at Krider Pd (•Doubled-up, Oversized Stop Signs and Advance Stop Ahead Signs, with Reflective Strips, and Stop Bars	Yes	Short Term	PennDOT		Low															
	(between Krider Rd./Bailey Rd. and Ridge Dr.)	venion rownship	Bailey Rd.	•Doubled-up, Oversized Advance Intersection Ahead Signs, with Reflective Strips	Yes	Short Term	PennDOT		Low															
				Evaluate Vegetation Maintenance in Advance of the Stop Signs to Improve Visibility		Short Term	PennDOT		Low															
				Passing Zone	•Engineering Study to Evaluate Whether to Eliminate the Passing Zone		Short Term	PennDOT		Low														

*Reference Table for 2025 Planning Level Cost Estimate Range:

Low	< \$50k
Medium	\$50k - \$500k
High	\$500k - \$1M
Very High	> \$1M

E. Infrastructure & Engineering Countermeasure Toolkit for Systemic Issues

INFRASTRUCTURE & ENGINEERING COUNTERMEASURE TOOLKIT FOR SYSTEMIC ISSUES

Developed for the Crawford County Safety Action Plan

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Introduction

Crawford County, in collaboration with the Northwest Pennsylvania Rural Planning and Development Commission (Northwest Commission), developed the county-wide Safety Action Plan (SAP).

Purpose

This toolkit provides a menu of effective infrastructure and engineering countermeasures that can be applied systemically to address safety concerns, along with recommended implementation best practices for moving safety efforts forward. The goal is to provide consistent guidance for local officials and planning partners as the County works to tackle systemic safety issues.

Some of these countermeasures may already have been applied at specific locations within the County, but there may be additional, systemic opportunities that could be explored.

Systemic Issues Included

These systemic trends represent issues that are present across the county's transportation system, not limited to a specific location:

- Impaired driving crashes
- Single vehicle run-off-the-road crashes
- Speeding-related crashes
- Curved road crashes
- Unsignalized intersection crashes
- Non-motorist crashes
- Motorcycle crashes
- Wet & dark road condition crashes

Infrastructure Countermeasures

There are a variety of infrastructure strategies that can be applied systemically to a transportation system.

Systemic applications can take a few different forms:

- Large projects to apply the same countermeasure in multiple locations across a region (for example, a project that installs the same countermeasure treatment or combination of treatments at all unsignalized intersections across a High Injury Network corridor that meet specific criteria).
- One-by-one implementation of the same strategy over time in multiple locations across a region (for example, applying the same countermeasure at all locations that meet the criteria whenever the location receives its regular roadway maintenance – like resurfacing or restriping – or receives other un-related upgrades).
- Default infrastructure solutions: another way to think about these systemic countermeasures is to consider them "default" infrastructure solutions. Instead of identifying where to apply them, it's determined where *not* to apply them (for example, defaulting to high-visibility crosswalk pavement markings when installing a new crosswalk).

For Any of these Systemic Applications:

For each location under consideration, it is recommended that a transportation/traffic engineer evaluate the relevant infrastructure and engineering countermeasure list(s) to identify which countermeasures are most appropriate for the specific location context and site characteristics.

Local officials and planning partners will also need to coordinate closely with the relevant roadway owners.

FHWA Proven Safety Countermeasures

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) maintains a list of <u>'Proven Safety Countermeasures' (PSCs)</u> that are proven to offer significant, measurable impacts on safety. These countermeasures are data-driven and broadly applicable to many different roadway types and contexts.

Note: while there are currently 28 countermeasures included in their list, FHWA updates the list regularly (as more data comes to light), so it's best to review it regularly to see if any have been added or removed.

FHWA strongly encourages transportation agencies to consider widespread implementation of these PSCs to accelerate the achievement of safety goals. The PSCs for each systemic issue are highlighted within this toolkit to draw emphasis to these countermeasures.

FHWA has a variety of different resources that provide more information on these PSCs:

- Website: <u>https://highways.dot.gov/safety/proven-safety-</u> countermeasures
- Resources Website: <u>https://highways.dot.gov/safety/proven-safety-</u> <u>countermeasures/proven-safety-countermeasures-</u> <u>resources</u>
- Proven Safety Countermeasure Booklet: <u>https://highways.dot.gov/sites/fhwa.dot.gov/files/Proven%</u> <u>20Safety%20Countermeasures%20Booklet_0.pdf</u>
- Overview Video: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bxrMmdaLdko</u>
- And more!



MAKING OUR ROADS SAFER

One Countermeasure at a Time

28 Proven Safety Countermeasures that offer significant and measurable impacts to improving safety



Image Source: FHWA Proven Safety Countermeasure Booklet (2021).

Impaired Driving Crashes

Impaired Driving is a significant transportation safety issue in Crawford County. They represent 13% of all non-interstate crashes and 30% of the fatal and serious injury non-interstate crashes.

Recommended countermeasures for this crash type include:

- Safety Edge*
- Add or Widen Shoulders / Provide Clear Zone*
- Centerline and/or Shoulder Rumble Strips*
- Median and/or Shoulder Barriers (if warrants are met)



Single Vehicle Run-Off-The-Road Crashes

Single vehicle run-off-the-road crashes are a significant transportation safety issue in Crawford County. They represent 50% of all non-interstate crashes and 53% of the fatal and serious injury non-interstate crashes.

Recommended countermeasures for this crash type include:

- Enhanced Curve Delineation*
- High-Friction Surface Treatment*
- Safety Edge*
- Add or Widen Shoulders / Provide Clear Zone*
- Wider Edge Lines*
- Shoulder Rumble Strips*
- Speed Management / Appropriate Speed Limits*
- Barriers (if warrants are met)



Speeding-Related Crashes

Speeding is a significant transportation safety issue in Crawford County. Speeding-related crashes represent 23% of all noninterstate crashes and 27% of the fatal and serious injury noninterstate crashes.

Recommended countermeasures for this crash type include:

- Speed Management / Appropriate Speed Limits*
- Traffic Calming Infrastructure
- Active ITS Device Dynamic Speed Feedback Sign



Curved Road Crashes

Curved road crashes are a significant transportation safety issue in Crawford County. They represent 20% of all non-interstate crashes and 24% of the fatal and serious injury non-interstate crashes.

Recommended countermeasures for this crash type include:

Hit-Fixed-Object Crashes

- Enhanced Curve Delineation*
- High-Friction Surface Treatment*
- Safety Edge*
- Add or Widen Shoulders / Provide Clear Zone*
- Wider Edge Lines*
- Shoulder Rumble Strips*
- Speed Management / Appropriate Speed Limits*
- Active ITS Device Dynamic Speed Feedback Sign
- Barriers (if warrants are met)

*FHWA Proven Safety Countermeasure

Head-On Crashes

- Centerline rumble strips*
- Median Barriers (if warrants are met)



Unsignalized Intersection Crashes

Curved road crashes are a significant transportation safety issue in Crawford County. They represent 23% of all non-interstate crashes and 22% of the fatal and serious injury non-interstate crashes.

Recommended countermeasures for this crash type include:

- Doubled-Up (Left and Right), Oversized Stop Signs with Retroreflective Sheeting on Sign Posts*
- Doubled-Up (Left and Right), Oversized Warning Signs with Retroreflective Sheeting on Sign Posts*
- Update Edge Line Striping*
- Properly Placed Stop Bar*
- Removal of Vegetation or Obstructions in Sight Lines*
- Double Arrow Warning Sign at T-intersections*
- Lighting*
- Active ITS Device Approaching Vehicle Detection/Warnings
- Roundabouts*



Non-Motorist Crashes

Non-motorist crashes are a systemic transportation safety issue in Crawford County. While they represent only 2% of all noninterstate crashes, they account for 8% of the fatal and serious injury non-interstate crashes.

Recommended countermeasures for this crash type include:

Pedestrians Crashes:

- Walkways*
- Medians and Pedestrian Refuge Islands in Urban and Suburban Areas*
- Crosswalk Visibility Enhancements*
- Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFB)*
- Leading Pedestrian Interval*
- Lighting*
- Speed Management / Appropriate Speed Limits*

Bicyclist Crashes:

- Road Diets*
- Bicycle Lanes*



Motorcycle Crashes

Motorcycle crashes are a systemic transportation safety issue in Crawford County. While they represent only 4% of all noninterstate crashes, they account for 14% of the fatal and serious injury non-interstate crashes.

Recommended countermeasures for this crash type include:

- High-Friction Surface Treatment*
- Enhanced Curve Delineation*
- Add or Widen Shoulders / Provide Clear Zone*
- Active ITS Device Dynamic Speed Feedback Sign
- Speed Management / Appropriate Speed Limits*



Wet & Dark Road Conditions

Crashes with wet and/or dark road conditions are a systemic transportation safety issue in Crawford County. Crashes with wet road conditions account for 18% of all non-interstate crashes and 18% of the fatal and serious injury non-interstate crashes. Crashes with dark conditions crashes account for 26% of all non-interstate crashes and 25% of the fatal and serious injury non-interstate crashes.

Recommended countermeasures for this crash type include:

- Reflectors / Delineators*
- Retroreflective Pavement Markings
- Retroreflective Traffic Signal Backplates*
- Lighting*
- High-Friction Surface Treatment*



Implementation Best Practices

These best practices highlight strategies that local officials can leverage to help advance safety countermeasures on the roadways within their purview.

Transportation Planning & PennDOT Connects Meetings

Before the Meeting

Review the Safety Action Plan (SAP) and identify whether the project/study location:

- falls within the High Injury Network (<u>https://tmp-map.s3.amazonaws.com/ss4a/crawford-sap.html</u>)
- has any characteristics that relate to the systemic issues identified in this Toolkit

If the location does meet either of the above criteria, note it. Either way, consider the safety needs of the location and write them down before the meeting.

During the Meeting

Share whether the location is a part of the SAP's High Injury Network (HIN) and/or has characteristics that relate to the systemic issues. Highlight what you consider to be safety needs at the location.

If applicable, ask whether there are opportunities to incorporate relevant safety countermeasures into the project and/or study.

After the Meeting

Collaborate with the project/study team, as needed, to facilitate the incorporation of relevant safety countermeasures into the project and/or study.



F. Crawford County SAP Coalition Charter

Crawford County Safety Action Plan

Implementation Coalition Charter

DRAFT as of June 5, 2025

PURPOSE/MISSION

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) strongly recommends that municipalities use a collaborative process for planning that involves all the relevant stakeholders that are involved with improving roadway safety for all users on the transportation network. To this end, Crawford County has formed a Coalition to support the implementation of its safety action plan. This group will be chaired by the county planning director. The Coalition members' responsibilities are highlighted below:

SUPPORTING ACTIVITIES

- 1. Support and advise Crawford County in the Safety Action Plan's implementation and future updates.
- 2. Advise the Crawford County Planning Department on safety-related priorities, issues, projects, and funding needs.
- 3. Serve as a forum for discussion of the Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) requirements and prepare Crawford County for future funding opportunities.
- 4. Invite representatives of recent safety improvement projects to present success stories to the Coalition as potential best practices that could be replicated in other parts of the county.
- 5. Serve as the county's voice in communicating roadway safety improvement needs to Crawford County (and by extension, the Northwest RPO)
- 6. Provide guidance in maintaining the County's High Injury Network (HIN) based on a data driven approach.
- 7. Assist the County Planning Department in maintaining a directory of notable contacts and stakeholders for safety planning.
- 8. Inform Crawford County on matters related to the development of the Data Hub as it pertains to safety data and analytical needs.

9. Provide comment and input on safety issues countywide that are raised by municipal officials and residents.