

Question 2 Response: Flashing Beacons

32 respondents mentioned this solution.

100.00% were for flashing beacons, and 0.00% were against this solution.

For	Against
Like I mentioned before the RRFB's are extremely effective. Perhaps an increased police presence for a set period of time issuing warnings/violations similar to what they do around Lake Hollingsworth around the time the college resumes classes.	Anything that can reduce cognitive load of the driver, though I don't have any good answers for what that is. More signs and flashing lights is not a solution, just adds more distraction. The number of cars parked on the lake definitely make it feel crowded when driving on it, so maybe reducing the parking spots available, or making them more defined might help. Taking out some of the edge of the lake and making the road a bit wider might help as well.
Provide clear signage at the road fronts accessing LMD notifying drivers that they are entering a protected Bird Sanctuary (I believe very few actually know that it IS indeed a bird sanctuary) & to reduce speeds to 20 mph with flashing lights as utilized in school zones.	
signs with swans, flashing lights	
Some sort of bright light flashing will pull people away from bird watching or texting while driving to find out where the flash of light is coming from.	
Signage and flashing beacons at major crosswalks	
Notification at each entry point to Lake Morton that the area is a bird sanctuary and pedestrian zone. Highly visible signs with flashing lights, at main traffic arteries to notify drivers. Additional signs along the road to remind drivers to slow down.	
Flashing lights, speed humps	
Law enforcement of speeds, like 15 mph and marked/lit crossings	
Flashing beacons at crosswalks and possibly a few speed detection displays would help keep drivers focused on their surroundings.	
Fine them double ,,make speed limit down to 15 mph,,like a school zone with hazard lights going off like a motion detector	
Speed bumps, street cameras, police presence, flashing signs stating what the speed is, and what the drivers speed is..	
This issue goes way beyond Lake Morton Dr, but since that is the focus of this discussion, what about flashing caution lights every eighth of a mile; increased police presence; the portable, unmanned speed display (I know speed isn't the issue, but the visual is attention grabbing).	
all of the things i stated above. the lake needs flashing lights and speed bumps or human being's directing traffic.	

For	Against
The signs about the swans telling people to slow down was a good idea crosswalks with signals like on lake Hollingsworth	
Flashing lights and signage. Particularly during high volume times of the day. More media attention maybe? People also need to realize that quite a few kids play around this lake and go there to see the swans. I know we are looking out for swans, but we definitely don't want to see another person get hit, or a child, because someone isn't paying attention and is driving too fast to stop.	
-Flashing beacons/signage around the lake with speed limit -Raised walkways/speed bumps 5x around the lake	
Flashing lights get drivers attention	
Again, some specialty "Swan Crossing" signs of some sort at regular intervals around the lake. Flashing lights on those might be good, but that might not be as nice aesthetically for the view of the lake at night to see signs flashing around it...	
More signs. Flashing lights.	
Flashing lights	
I think if they put in several of the traffic calming options under consideration, you would see a dramatic decline in issues. I think raised crosswalks with flashing beacons are a no brainer. However the other three although not quite as important would also help. The parking spaces along the two long sides of the lake are important. The road is not very wide so I am not sure how much room there would be for medians but it would certainly slow things down. If medians are not possible, a double yellow line all the way around the middle of the road would help as cars tend not to stay in their lanes.	
Pedestrian crosswalks with flashing lights, security cameras, law enforcement giving tickets.	
Through flashing beacons, stricter punishments or the area being patrolled	
Flashing lights, more speed bumps and more tickets being issued.	
Flashing lights, speed bumps, setting up a few speed traps off and on etc.	
My neighbor was hit by a truck while she was in the crosswalk. The driver said there was too much to look at and he didn't look for pedestrians. That will be difficult to overcome. The flashing lights at the crosswalk may help.	
One way road with flashing lights	
Beautiful lamp posts with A figure of metal swans on them and a flashing white light to catch the attention of drivers. (Similar to Orlando designs.)	
I like lights and reminders to keep slow and cautious.	

For		Against	
traffic signs facing each road that enters lake area with flashing lights .			
Large signs to educate, flashing lights on all stop signs and speed limit signs, regular postings on the lakeland police armed city of lakeland social media regarding the swans and the dangers. Also postings naming the swans and giving some "personal" information about them to generate positive news about the swans and helping to engender them to the population. Feel good animal stories and posts are very popular and can increase exposure for the swans and the city itself.			
<p>The images in the survey didn't make clear what a bulb out is at all. I think they would be effective especially at the busier cut through connectors of Massachusetts, E Walnut on the west side, Palmetto and Success but they do seem somewhat expensive and time consuming to put in place. The swans and other birds aren't going to use cross walks, but raised crosswalks with flashing lights will slow the drivers, giving the jaywalking swans and pedestrians better odds between the crosswalks. I think they should go in at all of these spots: Massachusetts, E Walnut on the west side, Palmetto, Success, Mississippi, Vistabula and E Walnut on the east side. I think parking on the side of the street should not be allowed in the high traffic hours at the end of the work day, perhaps from 4pm-7pm. Marked parking seems more likely to encourage people to attempt parallel parking, which most Lakeland residents don't encounter often and would require reversing in traffic which by its very nature would be more dangerous to pedestrians and wildlife. I feel the landscaped medians seem to be the most expensive to create and to maintain of all the options and would also lead to the wildlife and small children potentially being in more danger due to the plantings blocking view. So, while I think bulb outs could help, I think the raised cross walks with lighting and more of them are the best of all the choices available. I would also suggest adding a flashing red light at the intersection of Lake Morton Dr and E Palmetto by the library. Driving around Lake Morton needs to be more difficult overall. By making driving the lake cumbersome, cut through distracted drivers would be discouraged, while preserving the safety of all and leaving it as a possible route for those willing to bear the obstacles.</p>			
Sub Total	For = 32	Against = 0	
Grand Total	32		