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for

STA Cleveland Ave NW (Canton) PID 121915

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The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by ODOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2020, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.

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Project Sponsor:	Canton, City of
ODOT District:	4
Funding Source:	Federal
Project Description:	



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The City of Canton proposes to construct pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure upgrades along Cleveland Avenue NW from approximately 8th Street to 12th Street in the City of Canton, Stark County, Ohio. The project will involve replacement of an existing 4-foot wide sidewalk with a new 10-foot wide sidewalk on the west side of Cleveland Avenue NE from 8th Street to 12th Street and construction of a 10-foot wide shared use path on the east side of Cleveland Avenue NE from approximately 9th Street to 12th Street, replacing an existing bike lane. The proposed work also includes curb reconstruction, pavement repair/resurfacing, as well as streetscaping elements such as trees and streetlights, updated pavement markings and signage, and improved pedestrian crossings throughout the project construction limits.

Mapping that depicts the project location on United States Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5-Minute Topographic Quadrangle Mapping is included in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as *USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf*. Maintenance of traffic measures will comply with City of Canton and ODOT requirements. A minimum of one 10-foot lane of traffic shall be maintained on existing pavement during project construction. Road closures and detours are not proposed to construct the project. Construction and lane restriction/reduction information will be posted within the project construction limits prior to the start of project construction. Access shall be maintained to all intersecting side streets and abutting properties during project construction. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected during project construction.

Based on the project scope of work, its Path 1 Project Development Process (PDP) Classification and the proposed maintenance of traffic measures, emergency/public services contact activities were not conducted for the project.

New permanent and/or temporary right-of-way acquisitions are not necessary to construct the project.

New decorative street lighting will be installed within the project area. Curb inlets will be replaced in areas where curb limits are modified. No other utilities within the project study area will be impacted/relocated to construct the project. Coordination with the utility owners affected by the proposed construction activities was conducted for the project during its preliminary engineering phase and will continue during its detailed design phase. Utilities will not be permanently removed to construct the project.

The proposed project is located in the City of Canton, Stark County, Ohio. The proposed project will provide pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure upgrades along Cleveland Avenue NW from 8th Street to 12th Street. Upgrades include replacement of the existing 4-foot sidewalk along the east side of Cleveland Avenue NW with a new 10-foot sidewalk and continue the existing side path and tree lawn buffer along the west side with a new 10-foot side path and 5-foot tree lawn. The proposed work also includes the addition of curb, as well as streetscaping elements such as trees and streetlights, updated pavement markings, signage, and improved pedestrian crossings. No new right-of-way will be required. The Area of Potential Effect (APE) is the footprint of the undertaking.

A review of records from Ohio's State Historic Preservation Office (OSHP) was performed to identify properties within the project area of potential effects (APE) that are listed on or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). No new permanent right-of-way will be acquired from within the historic boundary of an NRHP-listed or eligible resource, and no contributing features of an NRHP-listed or eligible resource will be altered by the project. Moreover, there are no known archaeological sites in the project area, and it is unlikely, due to the nature of the work, that archaeological resources will be involved. In accordance with Stipulation V(C)(1) and Appendix B of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement executed on June 29, 2023 (Agreement No. 38503), ODOT-OES has determined that the proposed project is a type of undertaking that has 'minimal potential to cause effects' to historic properties and is not a part of a larger undertaking and therefore, no further coordination is required for the project. See the cultural resources documentation for the project in the Project File/Cultural Resources/Project Information subsection and the Cultural Resources Tab.

Based on the information in the Regulated Materials Review (RMR) Form completed for the project, further RMR activities or special materials management are not warranted for the project. See the RMR documentation for the project in the Project File/ESA/Reports subsection.

Additionally, this project is considered ecologically exempt under the Ecological MOA (Agreement 19394). See the *Ecologically Exempt STA-Cleveland Ave NW (Canton).pdf* for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection.

Review of FEMA FIRM information for the project study area determined the project is not located within a special flood hazard area. See the floodplains documentation for the project in the Project File/Permits/Floodplains subsection.

The project will not impact any environmentally sensitive resources within the project study area.

The City of Canton conducted various public involvement activities for the project including a press release, website posting and notifications to property owners/business owners/stakeholders. Comments were requested by all public involvement activities conducted for the project. No public comments were received as a result of the public involvement activities performed for the project. See the public involvement documentation for the project in the Project File/Public Involvement/Project Information subsection.

The environmental document and associated studies, as applicable, were approved using the Stage 3 Design plans for the project. A copy of the Stage 3 Design plans for the project is included in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as *Stage 3 Design.pdf*.

The project is identified in the ODOT State Fiscal Years 2024 - 2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Project fiscal constraint is at the Statewide Line Item (SLI) Group level.



The next phase of the proposed project is listed on the STIP: Yes

Ellis STIP Details

Phase	Current STIP Reference
CO	121915: 24-27 STIP

The current cost estimate is in line with existing federal procedures for Ohio STIP Amendments and Administration Modifications: Yes

Cultural Resources Coordination: Minimal Potential to Cause Effect
Appendix B

Cultural Resources Coordination Date: 10/29/2024

Since no Tribe was interested in this project based on their customized preferences, no further Tribal consultation was conducted.

Supporting documentation has been uploaded to Project File: Yes

Select the appropriate project type (more than one can be selected):

(3) Construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, paths, and facilities. *Examples include: Walkways, sidewalks, shared-use paths, and facilities, small passenger shelters, (i.e. construction of a bike path on an existing railroad bed, designations of certain highways as bike routes, painting of existing paved shoulders as bike lanes, ADA ramps, etc.) provided that no new disturbance will occur.*

(7) Landscaping. *Examples include: Herbicidal spraying; Mowing or brush removal/trimming projects; Beautification or facility improvement projects (i.e. landscaping, curb and gutter replacement, installation of park benches, decorative lighting, etc.).*

(8) Installation of fencing, signs, pavement markings, small passenger shelters, traffic signals, and railroad warning devices where no substantial land acquisition or traffic disruption will occur. *Examples include: The installation or maintenance of signs, pavement markings/raised pavement markers/sensors, traffic calming activities, and/or new or replacement fencing (right-of-way, vandal, etc.); General pavement marking or "line painting" projects.*

(22) Projects, as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101 that would take place entirely within the existing operational right-of-way. Existing operational right-of-way refers to right-of-way that has been disturbed for an existing transportation facility or is maintained for a transportation purpose. This area includes the features associated with the physical footprint of the transportation facility (including the roadway, bridges, interchanges, culverts, drainage, fixed guideways, mitigation areas, etc.) and other areas maintained for transportation purposes such as clear zone, traffic control signage, landscaping, any rest areas with direct access to a controlled access highway, areas maintained for safety and security of a transportation facility, parking facilities with direct access to an existing transportation facility, transit power substations, transit venting structures, and transit maintenance facilities. Portions of the right-of-way that have not been disturbed or that are not maintained for transportation purposes are not in the existing operational right-of-way. *Examples include: Tower lighting within the existing operational right-of-way; Guardrail installation and replacement (including median cable barriers) where roadway ditches and backslopes will not be relocated; Improvements to existing ODOT/County maintenance facilities; Construction of new ODOT/County maintenance facilities within existing operational right-of-way; Environmental mitigation activities within existing operational right-of-way; Work on pedestrian and vehicle transfer structures and associated*



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utilities, buildings, and terminals within existing operational right-of-way; Construction of alternative energy facilities (fuel tank farms, wind turbines, etc.)

Environmental Commitments:

No



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Appendix

General

Aerial Map.pdf

County Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

RMR

ODOT District 4 Review - Screening.pdf

Cultural Resources

Minimal Potential to Cause Effect - Appendix B

Records Check.pdf

Ecological

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

Other Resources

Site Specific Resource Mapping.pdf

Public Involvement

Press Release.pdf

Project Related Decision - No Public Comments Received.pdf

Property Owner Notification Letter Mailing Addresses.pdf

Property Owner Notification Letter.pdf

Website Snapshot - Posted 9-16-2024.pdf

Permits

FEMA FIRM.pdf