



# OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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## **Environmental Document** for **SAN US 6 23.58 Str Rplmnt PID 108868**

**Environmental Document Level: C2**

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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 June 6, 2018, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.*

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## C2

**PID:** 108868  
**Project Sponsor:** DISTRICT 2 ENGINEERING  
**ODOT District:** 2  
**Funding Source:** Federal  
**Private Funding:** No

### Project Description:

The Ohio Department of Transportation is proposing to replace the structure that carries US Route 6 over South Creek in Riley Township, Sandusky County, Ohio. All work is within the existing right of way and utility impacts are expected. A waterway permit from the USACE has been obtained for the impacts to the South Creek. This project is located within a special flood hazard area. All federal, state, and local regulations will be followed throughout construction. All potential impacts to federally and state listed species have been coordinated with the ODNR and USFWS. Measures will be taken to prevent these species from being impacted as much as possible. All other general conditions agreed to with these agencies will be followed as well (documentation in project file). There is minimal potential to have any effects on historic properties in the area. Construction is expected to begin in the summer of 2021 and last approximately 45 days. During construction, a detour will be posted. All impacted residents, public agencies, and schools have been notified of the project and closure.

This document was written and approved based on stage 2 plans.

**STIP Reference #** SLI 32

### Select the appropriate project type:

(28) Bridge rehabilitation, reconstruction, or replacement or the construction of grade separation to replace existing at-grade railroad crossings, if the actions meet the constraints in 23 CFR 771.117(e). **Examples include: Railroad projects that close or relocate at-grade crossings**

In accordance with 23 CFR 771.117(e), the proposed project cannot be processed as a C2 CE, if it involves -  
a. Acquisition of more than a minor amount of right-of-way b. Residential or non-residential displacements c. A Coast Guard, Individual Section 404 and/or a Section 10 permit d. A Section 106 finding of Adverse Effect e. A Section 4(f) Programmatic or Individual Evaluation f. A finding of May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect to Threatened and Endangered Species g. Construction of temporary access, or the closure of existing road, bridge, or ramps, that would result in major traffic disruptions h. Changes in access control i. Floodplain encroachment other than functionally dependent uses (e.g., bridges, wetlands) or actions that facilitate open space use (e.g., recreational trails, bicycle and pedestrian paths) j. Construction activities in, across or adjacent to a river component designated or proposed for inclusion in the National System of Wild and Scenic Rivers k. No minor public or agency controversy on environmental grounds ( no opposition from any organized groups or agencies and no unresolved environmental coordination ) l. If an EJ Analysis Report is required, the project must be processed as a D-level CE or higher level document For certification purposes, documentation is required to illustrate no significant impacts will occur to the following environmental resources and that no unusual circumstances exist that would warrant a higher level of NEPA document. Upload all supporting documentation to the project file.

**Waterways:** Present; No Coast Guard, Individual 404, and/or Section 10 Permit required



|                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                 |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Waterways Permit Type:</b>                                                                                                                                                                              | Permit Determination and/or Permit Application Approval Pending |
| <b>Isolated Wetland Permit</b>                                                                                                                                                                             | No                                                              |
| <b>Endangered Species:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                 | Present; No finding of May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect   |
| <b>Endangered Species - Coordination</b>                                                                                                                                                                   | May Affect, Not Likely to Adversely Affect                      |
| <b>Endangered Species - Coordination Date</b>                                                                                                                                                              | 09/30/2019                                                      |
| <b>Endangered Species - Critical Habitat Present/Impacted</b>                                                                                                                                              |                                                                 |
| Indiana bat                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                 |
| Northern long-eared bat                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                 |
| <b>Endangered Species - Other Critical Habitat Present/Impacted:</b>                                                                                                                                       | No                                                              |
| <b>100-Year Floodplain:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                | Encroachment Within the SFHA is a Functionally Dependent Use    |
| <b>EO 11988/NFIP Coordination and Documentation Completed:</b>                                                                                                                                             | Yes                                                             |
| <b>NFIP Local Floodplain Coordinator Notification Date:</b>                                                                                                                                                | 02/18/2020                                                      |
| <b>Section 4(f):</b>                                                                                                                                                                                       | Not present                                                     |
| <b>Section 6(f):</b>                                                                                                                                                                                       | Not present                                                     |
| <b>Cultural Resources:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                 | Present; No Finding of Adverse Effect                           |
| <b>Cultural Resources Coordination:</b>                                                                                                                                                                    | Minimum Potential to Cause Effect Appendix B                    |
| <b>Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval/SHPO Concurrence Date</b>                                                                                                                               | 01/23/2020                                                      |
| <b>Tribal Consultation Summary/Remarks:</b>                                                                                                                                                                |                                                                 |
| No comments or objections were received within 30 days.                                                                                                                                                    |                                                                 |
| Projects that meet C2 criteria are not anticipated to have impacts to the following environmental resources. If resources are present, documentation is only required if there is a potential for impacts. |                                                                 |
| <b>Air Quality:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                        | Studies Not Required                                            |
| <b>Air Quality - Coordination with OES:</b>                                                                                                                                                                | No                                                              |
| <b>Noise:</b>                                                                                                                                                                                              | Studies Not Required                                            |
| <b>Noise Coordination - OES Approval Date:</b>                                                                                                                                                             | 02/18/2020                                                      |
| <b>Hazardous Materials - ESA Screening Conducted</b>                                                                                                                                                       | Studies Not Required                                            |



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**Farmland:**

Non-Urbanized Area; No Impacts in  
Accordance With the Farmland  
MOU, 7 CFR 658, and ORC 929.05

**Scenic Rivers**

No National Wild and Scenic River  
Within 1000 Feet of the Proposed  
Project Area

Projects that meet C2 criteria must be in accordance with ODOT's UP Guidance and activities conducted for Public Involvement are commensurate to the project's type and scope of work.

**Underserved Populations**

Does Not Exceed UP Guidance  
Criteria; No UP Analysis Report  
Required and No UP Issues Raised  
During Public Involvement

**Public Involvement:**

Minimum PI Requirements Met; No  
Minor Public or Agency Controversy  
on Environmental Grounds

**Environmental Commitments**

Yes



## **Environmental Commitments**

### **C2**

1) The Project Designer shall incorporate the following note into the plans: The contractor shall not remove any trees under this project from April 1 through September 30. The project is located within the known habitat ranges of the federally listed and protected Indiana bat and northern long-eared bat. All necessary tree removal shall occur from October 1 through March 31. This requirement is necessary to avoid and minimize impacts to these species as required by the Endangered Species Act. For the purposes of this note, a tree is defined as a live, dying, or dead woody plant, with a trunk three inches or greater in diameter at a height of 4.5 feet above the ground surface, and with a minimum height of 13 feet.

2) ODOT shall ensure a State permitted malacologist must complete a mussel salvage and relocation in accordance with the most recent version of the Ohio Mussel Survey Protocol prior to the initiation of construction activities below the ordinary high water mark of South Creek. The permitted malacologist will submit the salvage and relocation work plan to ODNR for review and approval prior to any survey work. The results of the mussel survey and/or salvage work must be provided to the ODOT District Environmental Coordinator for coordination with ODNR. ODOT shall ensure the mussel survey and relocation occurs, and approval has been received from ODNR, prior to the Contractor performing any work below ordinary high water mark of South Creek.

3) ODOT and the Contractor will adhere to all appropriate waterway permits and all Special Provisions for waterway permits throughout construction.



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### **Approvals & Electronic Signatures**

| <b>Approved &amp; Electronically Signed By:</b> | <b>Approval Date:</b> |
|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Phoenix Neal (ENV SPEC 2)                       | 3/6/2020              |



## Appendix

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**Underserved Populations**

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