



# OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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## **Environmental Document**

for

## **SUM IR 0076 06.40 PID 111218**

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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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## C1

**PID:** 111218  
**Project Sponsor:** ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY  
**ODOT District:** 4  
**Funding Source:** Federal  
**Private Funding:** No

### **Project Description:**

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) proposes full depth pavement reconstruction to establish standard superelevation and resurface the westbound Interstate Route (IR) 76 ramp to eastbound IR 277/U. S. Route (USR) 224 loop ramp, Ramp B, for a distance of approximately 402 feet at the existing IR 76/IR 277/USR 224 interchange in the city of Akron, Summit County. This project also proposes drainage improvements, slope erosion protection, concrete barrier removal, sign installation, rumble strip installation, raised pavement marker installation and pavement marking application.

During project construction, all Ramp B traffic shall be maintained at all times except for a period not to exceed 21 consecutive calendar days when traffic will be detoured using eastbound IR 76, southbound IR 77 to IR 277. Emergency/public services were notified of the project activities and maintenance of traffic measures on March 16, 2020. Maintenance of traffic information will be posted within the project limits prior to the start of construction. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected with the project. See the Emergency/public services notification documentation for the project in the Project File/General/Maintenance of Traffic subsection.

The project will be constructed within the existing highway right-of-way.

Existing utilities within the project study area will not be impacted/relocated to construct the project.

Based on the information in the Regulated Materials Review (RMR) Form completed for the project, further environmental site assessment or special materials management is 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 Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection.

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

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 estimated total project cost specified in Ellis is 0.91% greater than the total project cost specified in the ODOT Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2021 Statewide Transportation Improvement Project (STIP) State Line Item (SLI) Grouped Project Report as of 03/09/2020. However, based on this project being listed in the SLI Grouped Project Report, fiscal constraint is maintained by fiscal year per SLI Group and not on the individual projects utilizing the SLI Group. Therefore, an individual project utilizing a Statewide Line Item does not require a STIP/TIP amendment.

**STIP Reference #** Statewide Line Item (SLI) Number 32 and is fiscally constrained.

**Cultural Resources Coordination:** Minimal Potential to Cause Effect Appendix A

**Cultural Resources Coordination Date:** 10/10/2019

**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):**

(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 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**

Correspondence with Emergency and Public Services.pdf

### **Ecological**

Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf

### **Cultural Resources**

Records Check.pdf