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Environmental Document for **SAN US 6/20I 14.87/0.00 Grp B PID 111020** **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 December 14, 2020, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.

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C2

PID: 111020
Project Sponsor: DISTRICT 2 ENGINEERING
ODOT District: 2
Funding Source: Federal
Private Funding: No

Project Description:

This is an ODOT-let project located along US Route 6 at the interchange with US 20, in Sandusky Township, Sandusky County, OH just west of the City of Fremont, OH. This project consists of realigning the ramp from US 20 EB to US 6 WB (Ramp G) by removing the diverge from US 20 EB, instead creating a T-intersection that will allow entrance onto the ramp from US 20 EB and US 20 WB, a movement that is currently not provided. The southern end of Ramp G will merge into US 6. The median crossover at TR 138 (Miarer Rd) will be removed. The project also modifies the traffic control along US 20 by improving signage and pavement markings.

At least one lane on US 20 and US 6 will remain open at all times. Ramp G will be closed up to 50 days. During this time, the following detour will be posted: Continue on US 20 EB (1.5 miles), turn left onto Oak Harbor Rd (0.9 miles), turn left onto the entrance ramp for US 6/20 WB, take exit 98 for US 6 WB (1 mile). Construction is anticipated to be in June 2022 and last about 3 months. Contact with emergency and other public services has been initiated and will continue throughout construction.

Right-of-way from one owner was previously acquired during the canceled PID 100385. This ROW was included in the analysis for this PID as well.

Approximately 9 trees will be removed, each within 100 feet of the edge of pavement. All tree clearing will occur between October 1 and March 31 to avoid impacts to the Indiana and Northern long-eared bat species during the summer roosting period. There are no known waterway or wetland resources in the project area. The project is not within a floodplain. After a review of the State Historic Preservation Office database, there are no known historic resources in the project area.

The land use on adjacent parcels includes agricultural, industrial, commercial, and vacant. The project will not require permanent taking of right-of-way. Deep excavation will be required for sign foundations and drainage structures. The proposed work may require utility relocations. In accordance with the ODOT Office of Environmental Services' (OES) Regulated Materials Review (RMR) Screening, there are no regulated materials located on adjacent parcels. Based on this information, the project is considered exempt from further RMR investigations.

The environmental document and associated studies are being approved using Stage 2 Plans. A copy of these plans is included in the project file.

STIP Reference #: 111020: 21-24 STIP

Select the appropriate project type:

(26) Modernization of a highway by resurfacing, restoration, rehabilitation, reconstruction, adding shoulders, or adding auxiliary lanes (including parking, weaving, turning, and climbing lanes), if the action meets the constraints in paragraph (e) of this section. *Examples include: Joint or limited use of right-of-way where the*



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proposed use would have minimal or no adverse social (including highway safety), economic or environmental impacts; Installation of new noise walls and other new noise mitigation projects; Construction of highway safety and truck escape ramps; Construction of bicycle lanes and pedestrian walkways, sidewalks, shared-use paths, or facilities and trailhead parking that do not otherwise qualify for a C1 designation; Beautification or facility improvement projects (i.e. landscaping, curb and gutter installation and replacement, ADA ramps/curb ramps, installation of park benches, decorative lighting, etc.); Construction of alternative energy facilities (fuel tank farms, wind turbines, etc.)

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:	Not Present
Will any wetlands be impacted?	No
Endangered Species:	No Impacts to Protected Species and Critical Habitat
100-Year Floodplain:	No Encroachment Within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
Section 4(f):	Not present
Section 6(f):	Not present
Cultural Resources:	Not Present
Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval/SHPO Concurrence Date	01/28/2021
Tribal Consultation Summary/Remarks:	No objection or comment 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.	
Air Quality:	Studies Not Required
Air Quality - Coordination with OES:	No
Noise:	Studies Not Required
Noise Coordination - OES Approval Date:	01/26/2021



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Hazardous Materials - ESA Screening Conducted	Yes
Hazardous Materials - OES Approval Date:	01/27/2021
Phase I ESA Warranted Based on Coordination with OES:	No Further Studies Warranted
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	No



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Appendix

General

Aerial Map.pdf

County Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

ESA

District Recommendations - Screening.pdf

Cultural Resources

Minimal Potential to Cause Effect - Appendix B

Ecological

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

Underserved Populations

Census Mapping.pdf

Underserved Populations Documentation Form.pdf

Permits

FEMA FIRM.pdf