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Environmental Document

for

TRU W Park Ave/E State St Niles PID 111326

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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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PID:	111326
Project Sponsor:	Niles, City of
ODOT District:	4
Funding Source:	Federal
Private Funding:	No

Project Description:

The city of Niles plans to improve West Park Avenue and East State Street in the city of Niles, Trumbull County. The project proposes to mill and resurface 0.81 mile of West Park Avenue from the western Niles city corporation limit to State Route (SR) 46/S. Main Street and 0.32 mile of East State Street from SR 46 to Robbins Avenue. Additional improvements proposed by this project include partial-depth pavement repairs, manhole/valve box adjustments, new traffic sign installation, new pavement marking application and curb/curb ramps upgrades or installation to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards.

During project construction, a minimum of one 10-foot lane of traffic in each direction shall be maintained on the existing/completed pavements. Access shall be maintained to all adjacent properties, businesses and intersecting side streets during project construction. Lane restriction/reduction information will be posted within the project construction limits prior to the start of project construction. Lane restrictions/reductions shall not be permitted after normal working hours. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected to construct the project.

The project will be constructed within the existing street rights-of-way.

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

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.

A Cultural Resources Records Check was performed by district environmental staff using the SHPO GIS online database. The project is located adjacent to the William McKinley Memorial (NRHP 75001544) and Niles Post Office (NRHP 65005017) on the NE and SE quadrants of the W. Park Ave./N. Arlington intersection, however, no new right-of-way is required from these resources to construct the project and the existing curb/curb ramps to be removed at this intersection are made of modern concrete materials. Therefore, according to the ODOT Office of Environmental Services (OES) Cultural Resources Unit e-mail correspondence, dated August 10, 2020, the undertaking is a type that has minimal potential to cause effects to historic properties. No further coordination is required in accordance with the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement. In accordance with Stipulation V(C)(1) and Appendix A of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement executed on November 8, 2017 (Agreement No. 19319), amended on July 11, 2019, ODOT determined the



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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. 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 Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection.

ODOT District 4 Environmental Section personnel reviewed the FEMA FIRM for the project study areas and determined the project is not located within a special flood hazard area.

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

The environmental document and associated studies, as applicable, were approved using the Stage 2 Design plans for the project. A copy of the Stage 2 Design plans for the project is included in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as Stage 2 Design.pdf.

The estimated total project cost specified in Ellis agrees with the total project cost specified in the ODOT State Fiscal Years 2021 - 2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

STIP Reference # 111326: 21-24 STIP

Cultural Resources Coordination: Minimal Potential to Cause Effect
Appendix A

Cultural Resources Coordination Date: 08/25/2020

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.*

(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



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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:

Yes



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1) The project designer shall incorporate the following note into the plans: WADDELL PARK/NILES CENTRAL PARK TRAILHEAD AVOIDANCE: THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOT STAGE OR STORE ANY CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT AND/OR MATERIALS OR RESTRICT ACCESS TO WADDELL PARK ADJACENT TO WEST PARK AVENUE OR NILES CENTRAL PARK TRAILHEAD ADJACENT TO EAST STATE STREET.



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Appendix

Ecological

Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf

Cultural Resources

Project Related OES Decision - Cultural Resources.pdf

Records Check.pdf

General

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf