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## **Environmental Document**

for

### **STA CR 0224 04.36 (Dressler Rd) PID 112040**

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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:** 112040  
**Project Sponsor:** STARK COUNTY ENGINEER  
**ODOT District:** 4  
**Funding Source:** Federal

### Project Description:

The Stark County Engineer (SCE) proposes widening and resurfacing of Dressler Road, Everhard Road, and Belden Park Crossing to accommodate turning lane additions. This project proposes to eliminate the existing northbound left turn lane on Dressler Road at the Everhard Road intersection and construct additional left turn lanes on the southbound, eastbound, and westbound legs of the Everhard Road/Dressler Road intersection. Right turn lanes will be added at the eastbound and westbound approaches to the Dressler Road/Belden Park Crossing intersection. The project will construct raised medians on Dressler Road, between Everhard Road and Belden Village Street, and on Everhard Road, between Dressler Road and the Children's Physicians Drive/Holiday Inn Drive. The project may also construct new sidewalk along the west side of Dressler Road, between Belden Village Street and Belden Park Crossing.

Belden Village Street will be resurfaced and re-stripped to provide a longer westbound left turn lane at the Dressler Road intersection. The project will also rebuild the southwest Belden Village Mall drive at Belden Village Street to reconfigure to a right in/out condition and close the secondary drive to Robek's Plaza located directly south of the Mall drive.

To minimize impacts to private properties and utilities, retaining walls will be constructed adjacent to the Everhard Road/Dressler Road and the Dressler Road/Belden Park Crossing intersections. Additional improvements proposed by the project include existing traffic signal modifications/upgrades, curb and gutter reconstruction, new curb and gutter construction, stormwater drainage system modifications, new curb ramp installations to comply with Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, new traffic sign installations, existing street light replacements and center line/channelizing line/stop line/crosswalk line/transverse-diagonal line/other pavement markings applications.

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*.

Traffic will be maintained using a combination of part-width construction and lane closures and restrictions. It will also be necessary to temporarily close and/or restrict access to Belden Park Crossing at Dressler Road for durations of 45 consecutive days during project construction. Alternative access drives will be maintained to ensure access to establishments within the Belden Park Crossing plazas. The project will continue to evaluate maintenance of traffic requirements and work to minimize disruption to the traveling public. Lane restriction and closure information will be posted within the project limits and at all intersecting side streets prior to the start of project construction. Access shall be maintained to all adjacent properties and businesses for the duration of project construction. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected during project construction.

Approximately 0.68 acre of new permanent right-of-way will be acquired from 13 parcels and 2.83 acres of temporary right-of-way will be acquired from 19 parcels to construct the project. Total property takes, structure takes or relocations are not proposed by the project. See the right-of-way plan for the project in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as *Right of Way Plan Sheets.pdf*.

Minor relocations of existing utilities within the project study area will be necessary to construct the project. These minor utility relocations will occur within the existing/new permanent roadway rights-of-way. Utilities will not be permanently removed to construct the project. Coordination with the utility companies affected by the proposed construction activities was conducted for the project during its preliminary engineering phase and will continue during its detailed design phase.

Project construction operations will focus on the existing street operational right-of-way, but strip right-of-way will be required from the previously disturbed urban landscape to complete construction. The project setting is bracketed by recently developed commercial/retail property. No buildings will be involved in construction and no relocations will be required. Cultural literature search determined there are no inventoried buildings (OHI) or known archaeological sites (OAI) which will be impacted by construction. Furthermore, no listed or eligible historic properties are found in the project area or area of potential effects (APE). Due to the previous disturbance and the absence of recorded resources, no further cultural resource survey was conducted. It has been determined the proposed STA-CR 224 roadway and intersection project is exempt from further cultural resource consideration by the 11/8/17 Cultural Resource PA (Agreement 19319).



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In this case, no new permanent right-of-way from a historic property will be acquired and no contributing element of an historic district will be removed or altered by construction. In accordance with Stipulation V(C)(1) and Appendix B of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement executed on November 8, 2017 (Agreement No. 19319), amended on July 11, 2019, ODOT Office of Environmental Services (OES) determined the 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) Screening completed for the project, ODOT OES determined a petroleum contaminated soils (PCS) plan note is warranted for the Marathon Gas Station (RM-7) located at 4516 Everhard Road. No further RMR activities are warranted for other properties present within the project limits. See the RMR documentation for the project in the Project File/ESA/Reports and Coordination subsections.

Additionally, this project is considered ecologically exempt under the Ecological MOA (Agreement 19394). See the *Ecologically Exempt STA-CR224-4.36.pdf* for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection.

The southeast limits of the project, along Belden Village Street, is located within the Drinking Water Source Protection Area-Inner Management Zone of the North Canton City Public Water System (PWS). Specifically, the PWS is identified as a North Canton well field (Time & Travel Protective Zone) located near Dressler Road, east of Interstate Route 77. All requiring refueling operations in proximity of the southeast limits of the project, along Belden Village Street, shall be performed in an environmentally responsible manner. Fuel storage and/or long-term stockpiling of other potentially hazardous materials on the construction site is prohibited during project construction. Moreover, the project contractor will be required to provide adequate spill prevention and control countermeasures during project construction and notify the North Canton water treatment plant in the event of a spill during project construction. The project will not impact the North Canton well field. See the drinking water documentation for the project in the Project File/Other Resources/Drinking Water subsection.

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

The SCE conducted various public involvement activities for the project, including a press release transmitted to local media outlets, notification letters with exhibit/frequently asked questions (FAQ) attachment/comment form mailed to property owners/tenants/stakeholders and the press release/exhibit/FAQ attachment/comment form/other project information posted to the SCE website. Project comments were requested with all public involvement activities. Project information was also published in a Canton Repository newspaper article, announced on WHPC, a local radio station, and published on WHBC's website. Public written comments were received from three (3) individuals as a result of the public involvement activities performed for the project. All comments were responded to accordingly and a summary of the comments received, and response information was posted to the SCE project website. See the public involvement documentation for the project, including the received comments and responses to comments, in the Project File/Public Involvement/Project Information subsection.

The environmental document and associated studies, as applicable, were approved using the Stage 1 Design plan and right-of-way plan developed for the project. A copy of the Stage 1 Design and preliminary right-of-way plans for the project are included in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as *Stage 1 Design.pdf* and *Right of Way Plan Sheets.pdf*, respectively.

The estimated project cost specified in Ellis for the next phase of the project development process (detailed design and right-of-way acquisition) is less than 1% lower than the project costs specified in the ODOT State Fiscal Years 2021 - 2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Fiscal constraint is at the Statewide Line Item (SLI) Group level. Therefore, an individual project utilizing a SLI does not require a STIP/TIP amendment.

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

Yes

**Ellis STIP Details**

Phase	Current STIP Reference
PE Environmental	112040: 21-24 STIP
Right of Way	112040: 21-24 STIP
Construction	
PE Detailed Design	112040: 21-24 STIP

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

Yes

**Select the appropriate project type:**

(26) Modernization of a highway by resurfacing, restoration, rehabilitation, reconstruction, adding shoulders,



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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 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 -**

1. a. Acquisition of more than a minor amount of right-of-way
2. b. Residential or non-residential displacements
3. c. A Coast Guard, Individual Section 404 and/or a Section 10 permit
4. d. A Section 106 finding of *Adverse Effect*
5. e. A Section 4(f) Programmatic or Individual Evaluation
6. f. A finding of *May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect* to Threatened and Endangered Species
7. g. Construction of temporary access, or the closure of existing road, bridge, or ramps, that would result in major traffic disruptions
8. h. Changes in access control
9. 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)
10. 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
11. k. No minor public or agency controversy on environmental grounds (no opposition from any organized groups or agencies and no unresolved environmental coordination)
12. 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.**

<b>Waterways:</b>	Not Present
<b>Will any wetlands be impacted?</b>	No
<b>Endangered Species:</b>	No Impacts to Protected Species and Critical Habitat
<b>100-Year Floodplain:</b>	No Encroachment Within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
<b>Section 4(f):</b>	Not present
<b>Section 6(f):</b>	Not present



**Cultural Resources:** Present; No Finding of Adverse Effect

**Cultural Resources Coordination:** Minimum Potential to Cause Effect Appendix B

**Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval/SHPO Concurrence Date** 03/01/2023

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

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:**

**Hazardous Materials - ESA Screening Conducted** Yes

**Hazardous Materials - OES Approval Date:** 01/13/2023

**Phase I ESA Warranted Based on Coordination with OES:** No Further Studies Warranted

**Farmland:** Urbanized Area; No Impacts in Accordance With the Farmland MOU and 7 CFR 658

**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 EJ Guidance and activities conducted for Public Involvement are commensurate to the project's type and scope of work.

**Environmental Justice Populations** Present; No EJAR Required, Does Not Exceed EJ Guidance Criteria, and No Issues Raised During Public Involvement

**Identified Environmental Justice Populations**

Census Block Group #	% Minority	% Low Income
391517113213	16	18
391517113222	24	38

**Environmental Justice Remarks**



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A review of the ODOT Transportation Information Mapping System (TIMS) indicated Environmental Justice populations within the proposed project area. No businesses or residences will be acquired or relocated as part of the project. The proposed project will have no disproportionately high and adverse effects to minority or low-income populations based upon the table above and attached mapping. No concerns related to impacts on Environmental Justice populations were raised as a result of public involvement activities conducted as part of the proposed project. Therefore, in accordance with the protections of Executive Order 12898 and FHWA Order 6640.23A, no further analysis is required. Census mapping is saved in the Project File/Underserved Populations/Project Information.

**Public Involvement:**

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

**Environmental Commitments**

Yes



## **Environmental Commitments**

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1) The project Designer shall incorporate the following requirements into the final plans: THE SOUTHEAST LIMITS OF THE PROJECT, ALONG BELDEN VILLAGE STREET NW, IS LOCATED WITHIN A GROUNDWATER INNER MANAGEMENT ZONE AND/OR SOURCE WATER PROTECTION AREA ESTABLISHED FOR THE NORTH CANTON PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM. ALL REFUELING OPERATIONS WITHIN OR NEAR THIS AREA ARE PROHIBITED. NO FUEL STORAGE OR LONG-TERM STOCKPILING OF OTHER POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IS PERMITTED ALONG BELDEN VILLAGE STREET NEAR THE MALL ENTRANCE. ALL REFUELING OPERATIONS AND STORAGE WILL BE PERFORMED IN AN ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE MANNER. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE ADEQUATE SPILL PREVENTION CONTROL AND COUNTERMEASURES DURING THE PROJECT CONSTRUCTION. IN THE EVENT OF A SPILL, PLEASE CONTACT THE NORTH CANTON WATER TREATMENT PLANT AT 330.499.6473.

2) The project designer shall include a petroleum contaminated soils (PCS) plan note into the final construction plans to properly manage and dispose of soils excavated on or in proximity of the private property located at 4516 Everhard Road, Canton, Ohio 44718.



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## Appendix

### Underserved Populations

Census Mapping.pdf

### General

Aerial Map.pdf

County Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

### ESA

OES Recommendations - Screening.pdf

Regulated Materials Review Form.pdf

### Cultural Resources

Minimal Potential to Cause Effect - Appendix B

Records Check.pdf

Section 106 Scoping Request Form.pdf

### Ecological

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

### Other Resources

Site Specific Resource Mapping Urbanized Areas.pdf

Sole Source Aquifer Mapping.pdf

Water Source Protection Area Coordination - North Canton.pdf

Water Source Protection Area Map.pdf

### Public Involvement

In-person Public Notification List.pdf

News Article - Canton Repository.pdf

Press Release - Public and Emerg Service Notification List.pdf

Press Release - Public and Emergency Services Notification.pdf

Press Release - Twitter Snap Shot.pdf

Press Release - WHBC Radio Announcement .pdf

Press Release.pdf

Property Owner Notification Letter.pdf



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Property Owner Right of Entry Letter 5-4-2022.pdf

Property Owner Right of Entry Letter 7-19-2021.pdf

Property Owner Right of Entry Letter Mailing List.pdf

Public Comments Received.pdf

Public Involvement - Website Snap Shot.pdf

Public Involvement Exhibit - Alternative Eval Rpt.pdf

Public Involvement Exhibit - Comment Form.pdf

Public Involvement Exhibit - Plan Schematic.pdf

Public Involvement Exhibit - Project Location Map.pdf

Public Notification Mailing List.pdf

Response to Public Comments Website Screenshot .pdf

Response to Public Comments.pdf

Stakeholder and Public and Emergency Services Contact List.pdf

**Permits**

FEMA FIRM.pdf