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## **Environmental Document**

for

## **ATB US 6/SR 7 20.28/VAR PID 110646**

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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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<b>PID:</b>	110646
<b>Project Sponsor:</b>	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING
<b>ODOT District:</b>	4
<b>Funding Source:</b>	Federal
<b>Private Funding:</b>	No
<b>Project Description:</b>	



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The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) proposes pavement resurfacing and maintenance activities on US Route 6 and State Route (SR) 7 and minor bridge maintenance on one structure, the ATB-7-1.29 bridge over Stratton Creek, in Andover and Williamsfield Townships and the village of Andover in rural Ashtabula County. The project limits on US Route 6 are between straight line mile (SLM) 20.28 and 22.37, a distance of 2.09 miles, and on SR 7 between SLM 0.00 and 2.37, a distance of 2.37 miles, and between SLM 6.98 and 7.44, a distance of 0.46 mile. Proposed improvements include pavement planing, partial depth pavement repairs, pavement patching, pavement resurfacing, linear shoulder grading, sidewalk/curb ramp replacement to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, monument box/catch basin/manhole/gas valve/fire hydrant/valve box adjustments/reconstruction, raised pavement marker replacement and edge line/center line/stop line/crosswalk line/other pavement marking applications.

The proposed maintenance activities on the ATB-7-1.29 bridge, existing twin 72-inch corrugated metal pipes, include paving over the existing bridge, scour repair with rock channel protection placement at the pipe outlets, clearing/grubbing and structure identification sign replacements.

Mapping that depicts the project location on a topographic mapping is included in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf.

A minimum of one 10-foot lane of traffic in each direction shall be maintained on the existing pavement or completed pavement during project construction. Road closures and detours are not proposed to construct the project. Construction and 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. Access shall be maintained to all adjacent properties, businesses and intersecting side streets during project construction. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected during project construction. bi-directional

The project will be constructed within the existing roadway 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. No Cultural Resources listed on or determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places were identified within and/or immediately adjacent to the proposed project area. 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 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.

With the exception of the proposed maintenance activities at the ATB-7-1.29 bridge over Stratton Creek, this project is considered ecologically exempt under the Ecological MOA (Agreement 19394). The proposed scour repair at the ATB-7-1.29 bridge involves 16 feet of impact to Stratton Creek as described in the non-notifying Level 1 Ecological Survey Report completed for the project. No other impacts to ecological resources are expected from the maintenance activities at the ATB-7-1.29 bridge. See the ecological documentation for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection and the Ecological tab.

ODOT District 4 Environmental Section personnel reviewed the FEMA FIRM for the project study areas and determined the project is located within an Area of Minimal Flood Hazard/Zone X. The project will not impact a special flood hazard area. See the floodplain mapping for the project in the Project File/Permits/Floodplains subsection.

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

**STIP Reference #:**

110646: 21-24 STIP SLI Group  
Project. Fiscal constraint is at SLI  
Group level.

**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 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.)**

(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 -**

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>	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>Will any wetlands be impacted?</b>	No



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<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
<b>Cultural Resources:</b>	Present; No Finding of Adverse Effect
<b>Cultural Resources Coordination:</b>	Minimum Potential to Cause Effect Appendix A
<b>Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval/SHPO Concurrence Date</b>	12/28/2022

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.

<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>	
<b>Hazardous Materials - ESA Screening Conducted</b>	Yes
<b>Hazardous Materials - OES Approval Date:</b>	12/27/2022
<b>Phase I ESA Warranted Based on Coordination with OES:</b>	No Further Studies Warranted
<b>Farmland:</b>	Non-Urbanized Area; No Impacts in Accordance With the Farmland MOU, 7 CFR 658, and ORC 929.05
<b>Scenic Rivers</b>	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.

<b>Underserved Populations</b>	Present; No UPIAR Required, Does Not Exceed UP Guidance Criteria, and No Issues Raised During Public Involvement
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**Identified Underserved Populations**

Census Block Group #	% Minority	% Low Income	% Older Adults	% Limited English Proficiency (LEP)
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390070013013	7	31	33	1
390070013022	11	44	20	2

**Underserved Populations Remarks**

The proposed project does not include any relocations. There are no permanent changes to access and vehicular traffic will be maintained during construction. Impacts to Underserved Populations were considered and no unanticipated impacts are expected.

The proposed project will have no disproportionately high and adverse effects to minority or low-income populations or disparate impacts to a Title VI population based upon the table above, the attached mapping, and the answers to the questions above. No concerns related to impacts on Environmental Justice or Title VI 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, FHWA Order 6640.23A and Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, no further analysis is required.

The proposed project will have no substantial impacts to Limited English Proficiency, Older Adults, and Individuals with Disabilities Populations based upon the table above, the attached mapping, and the answers to the questions above. No concerns related to impacts on these Underserved Populations were raised as a result of public involvement activities conducted as part of the proposed project. Therefore, in accordance with the protections of the Age Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Discrimination Act of 1975, Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and Executive Order 13166, no further analysis is required.

Based on the above findings an UPIAR is not required.

**Public Involvement:**

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

**Environmental Commitments**

No



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### **Approvals & Electronic Signatures**

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## **Appendix**

### **General**

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

### **ESA**

Regulated Materials Review Form.pdf

### **Ecological**

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

USFWS/ODNR Ecological MOA Conditions

### **Underserved Populations**

Census Mapping.pdf

### **Permits**

FEMA FIRM.pdf