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for

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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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Project Information

C2 Section

PIDs	113028
Project Sponsor	District 4-Planning
ODOT District	4
Funding Source	Federal
Project Description:	



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The Ohio Department of Transportation proposes to perform pavement and bridge structure maintenance on State Route (SR) 93, SR 236, SR 172 and SR 241 in the City of Massillon, City of Canal Fulton and Lawrence Township, in Stark County.

- SR 93 (Manchester Avenue NW) will be milled, repaired and resurfaced from north of Shireden Avenue NE in the City of Canal Fulton north through Lawrence Township ending at the Stark/Summit County Line.
- SR 236 (Akron Avenue NW) will be milled, repaired and resurfaced from north of Portage Street NW north to the Stark/Summit County Line in Lawrence Township.
- SR 172 (Lincoln Way W) will be milled, repaired and resurfaced from State Route 21 east to SR 241 (Erie Street N) in the City of Massillon.
- SR 241 will be milled, repaired and resurfaced within the City of Massillon from Tremont Avenue SW to the south City Corp Limit.

Additional roadway maintenance improvements proposed by this project include partial/full depth pavement repairs, linear shoulder grading, sidewalk and curb ramp reconstruction to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, curb and gutter replacement, monument/catch basin/conduit grade adjustments, traffic signal equipment modification/loop replacement, linear shoulder grading, rumble strips and raised pavement marker replacement, traffic sign replacement and new lane/edge/center/channelizing/stop/crosswalk lines/other pavement markings applications within the project limits.

As part of the proposed project, maintenance will be performed on the STA-93-19.404 (SFN: 7605188) bridge in Canal Fulton and the STA-241-7.814 (SFN: 7600186), STA-241-7.657 (SFN: 7606176) and STA-241-8.564 (SFN: 7606192) bridge structures in the City of Massillon. Proposed maintenance operations include median curb repair, bridge approach slabs and deck repair/sealing/waterproofing/overlay, expansion seal/joint repair, and/or removal of above ground vegetation within 15 feet of each structure.

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*.

A minimum of one 10-foot lane of traffic shall be maintained on the existing pavement and completed pavement of each roadway 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.

Access shall be maintained to all adjacent properties, businesses and intersecting side streets for the duration of the project. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected during project construction.

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.

The project will not result in impacts to streams, wetlands or other waters of the United States. Proposed structure maintenance activities at the STA-241-7.657 bridge location will result in removal of approximately 0.39-acre of potential suitable wooded habitat (SWH) for federal/state listed threatened and endangered bat species. See the ecological resource and coordination documentation for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports 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 Stage 3 construction estimate is approximately 21.9% lower than the project cost estimate specified in the ODOT State Fiscal Years 2026 - 2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

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

Yes

Ellis STIP Details

Phase	Current STIP Reference
ENV	On Previous STIP
CO	113028: 26-29 STIP
DD	On Previous 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, or adding auxiliary lanes (including parking, weaving, turning, and climbing lanes), if the action meets the constraints in paragraph I 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 - a. Acquisition of more than a minor amount of ROW (exceeds strip takes) b. Residential or non-residential displacements c. A U.S. Coast Guard permit or an Individual Section 404 permit under the Clean Water Act d. A Section 106 finding of Adverse Effect e. Section 4(f) impacts greater than de minimis 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. Substantial Community Impacts (if a Community Impact Assessment is required, contact OES for guidance). 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.

Ecological

Waterways: Not Present

Will any wetlands be impacted? No

The following Federally Listed Species received an effect determination of May Affect, Not Likely to Adversely Affect:

Species Common Name	Species Scientific Name	Listing Status	Most Recent Coordination Date
Indiana Bat	Myotis sodalis	Endangered	11/04/2025
Northern Long-eared Bat	Myotis septentrionalis	Endangered	11/04/2025
Tricolored Bat	Perimyotis subflavus	Proposed Endangered	11/04/2025

The following Federally Listed Species received an effect determination of No Effect:



Species Common Name	Species Scientific Name	Listing Status	Most Recent Coordination Date
Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	Species of Concern	11/04/2025
Eastern Massasauga	<i>Sistrurus catenatus</i>	Threatened	11/04/2025

Endangered Species Remarks:

The proposed structure maintenance activities at the STA-241-7.657 bridge location will result in removal of approximately 0.39-acre of potential suitable wooded habitat (SWH) for federal/state listed threatened and endangered bat species. See the ecological resource and coordination documentation for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection.

Scenic Rivers

No National Wild and Scenic River
Within 1000 Feet of the Proposed
Project Area

Scenic Rivers Remarks

National-listed or state-listed wild and scenic rivers are not present within 1,000 feet of the project limits.

Floodplains

100-Year Floodplain:

Encroachment Within the SFHA is a
Functionally Dependent Use

EO 11988 Compliance Met

Yes

NFIP Coordination and Documentation Completed

Yes

NFIP Local Floodplain Coordinator Notification Date:

10/23/2025

Floodplain Remarks

Proposed construction activities will be performed within a designated Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA) flood plain. However, work proposed by the project is considered maintenance that will not change the alignment, grade or hydraulic capacity of the river or other streams and, therefore, is therefore exempt from the normal permit process required for work encroaching on a special flood hazard area. See the floodplains mapping and coordination/permitting determination documentation for the project in the Project File/Permits/Floodplains subsection.

Section 4(f)

Section 4(f):

Present; No Impacts and/or Access
Restrictions

Section 4(f) Remarks

The project will not impact any Section 4(f) resources and Section 4(f) coordination is not required in accordance with 23 CFR 774 and the OES Section 4(f) Manual.

Section 6(f)

Section 6(f):

Not present

Cultural Resources



Cultural Resources: Present; No Finding of Adverse Effect

Cultural Resources Coordination: Minimum Potential to Cause Effect
Appendix A

**Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval/SHPO
Concurrence Date** 10/22/2025

Cultural Resources Remarks

A Cultural Resources Records Check was performed using the SHPO GIS online database to determine if historic properties might be found in proximity to the area of potential effects (APE), the footprint of the project. The project was found to be located along SR 172 within the Massillon Downtown Historic District. However, the project is not a part of a larger undertaking and is a type that has minimal potential to cause effects to historic properties in accordance with Stipulation V(C)(1) and Appendix A of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement executed on June 29, 2023 (Agreement No. 38503), therefore, no further coordination is required. See the cultural resources documentation for the project in the Project File/Cultural Resources/Project Information subsection and the Cultural Resources Tab.

Environmental Resources Considered

The following environmental resources are present and have been studied for potential impacts:

Regulated Materials

Air Remarks

Air quality studies or coordination are not required for this project. Project meets 40CFR93.126 as "Projects that correct, improve, or eliminate hazardous locations or features".

Noise Remarks

The project does not qualify as a Type I project for noise (*i.e.*, not adding capacity, not moving thru travel lanes equal to or greater than 50% closer to noise sensitive areas) and a noise analysis is not required for the project under 23 CFR 772.

The project involves ROW acquisition, Deep Excavation, or OEPA 513 Landfill Authorization: No

Hazardous Materials - OES Approval Date: 10/22/2025

Regulated Materials Review Remarks:

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.

Public Involvement

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

Public Involvement Remarks

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 beyond those completed during the ODOT State Fiscal Years 2026 - 2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) process.



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1) The project may result in removal of suitable wooded habitat for threatened and endangered bat species at the STA-241-7.657 (SFN: 7606176) bridge location.

The project designer shall incorporate the following note into the plans.

ENDANGERED SPECIES HABITAT - INDIANA BAT/NORTHERN LONG-EARED BAT - STA-241-7.657 (SFN: 7606176): THE PROJECT IS LOCATED WITHIN THE KNOWN HABITAT RANGES OF THE FEDERALLY LISTED AND PROTECTED INDIANA BAT AND NORTHERN LONG-EARED BAT. NO TREES SHALL BE REMOVED AT THE STA-241-7.657 BRIDGE LOCATION UNDER THIS PROJECT FROM APRIL 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30. ALL NECESSARY TREE REMOVAL AT THE STA-241-7.657 BRIDGE LOCATION SHALL OCCUR FROM OCTOBER 1 THROUGH MARCH 31. THIS REQUIREMENT IS NECESSARY TO AVOID AND MINIMIZE IMPACTS TO THESE SPECIES AS REQUIRED BY THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS NOTE, A TREE IS DEFINED AS A LIVE, DYING, OR DEAD WOODY PLANT, WITH A TRUNK THREE INCHES OR GREATER IN DIAMETER AT A HEIGHT OF 4.5 FEET ABOVE THE GROUND SURFACE, AND WITH A MINIMUM HEIGHT OF 13 FEET.

2) The project is located within a FEMA flood zone and will be designed to comply with all applicable Local, State, and Federal floodplain protection standards. If required, appropriate floodplain permitting shall be obtained prior to the start of construction.



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Appendix

General

Aerial Map.pdf

County Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

RMR

Environmental Database Search Results.pdf

Cultural Resources

Records Check.pdf

Ecological

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

USFWS/ODNR Ecological MOA Conditions

Public Involvement

Correspondence with Stakeholders - Massillon 2.pdf

Correspondence with Stakeholders - Massillon.pdf

Permits

District Determination - No Floodplain Impacts.pdf

FEMA FIRM.pdf