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## **Environmental Document**

for

### **ATB SR 0193 20.14 PID 118703**

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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**

**Project Information**

**C2 Section**

<b>PIDs</b>	118703
<b>Project Sponsor</b>	District 4-Planning
<b>ODOT District</b>	4
<b>Funding Source</b>	Non-Federal
<b>Does this project require a Federal permit or approval?</b>	Yes
<b>Project Description:</b>	



The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) proposes to replace the superstructure (beams, deck and driving surface) of the State Route (SR) 193 bridge over Griggs Creek, Structure File Number (SFN) 0405620, in Sheffield Township, Ashtabula County, Ohio. The existing bridge is a single span 60-foot non-composite prestressed concrete box beam bridge with wall type abutments. The proposed bridge will be a single span 60-foot, 2-inch composite prestressed concrete box beam bridge on converted semi-integral abutments. Additional improvements proposed by the project include approach roadway work, approach slab replacement and guardrail replacement.

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*.

During project construction, the existing bridge will be closed to traffic for a maximum duration of 45 consecutive calendar days. The detour route will direct users to SR 167, SR 7 and SR 84. All necessary detour signage will be posted along SR 193 and the proposed detour route. The project schedule and detour information will also be posted on the ODOT webpage prior to the start of construction activities. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected during project construction.

The project will not require acquisition of any permanent or temporary right-of-way.

Utilities within the project study area will not be impacted/relocated to construct the project. Coordination with utility companies in proximity of proposed construction activities was conducted for the project and will continue throughout the project detailed design phase.

The project proposes to impact approximately 0.17 acre of suitable wooded habitat (SWH) for the Federally Listed Endangered Indiana Bat, the Endangered Northern Long-eared Bat and the proposed Endangered Tricolor Bat. See the threatened/endangered species documentation for the project in the Level 1 Ecological Survey Report in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection and the Ecological tab.

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

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 is less than the total project cost 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
CO	118703: 26-29 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:**

(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:** Present; No Coast Guard, Individual 404, and/or Section 10 Permit required

**Waterways Permit Type:** Permit Determination and/or Permit Application Approval Pending

**Isolated Wetland Permit** No

**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	10/01/2025
Northern Long-eared Bat	Myotis septentrionalis	Endangered	10/01/2025
Tricolored Bat	Perimyotis subflavus	Proposed Endangered	10/01/2025

**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	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	Species of Concern	10/01/2025
Clubshell	Pleurobema clava	Endangered	10/01/2025
Eastern Massasauga	Sistrurus catenatus	Threatened	10/01/2025
Piping Plover	Charadrius melodus	Endangered	10/01/2025
Round Hickorynut	Obovaria subrotunda	Threatened	10/01/2025
Rufa Red Knot	Calidris canutus rufa	Threatened	10/01/2025
Salamander Mussel	Simpsonia ambigua	Proposed Endangered	10/01/2025
Snuffbox	Epioblasma triquetra	Endangered	10/01/2025

**Endangered Species Remarks:**



A reconnaissance survey of mussels was conducted for the project and no living mussels or fresh dead mussel shells were found in the project study area. Approximately 0.174 acre of suitable wooded habitat (SWH) for bats is located within 100 feet from the edge of pavement. According to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), the project is not located within a known bat buffer. A plan note will be included in the project plans to limit tree clearing between October 1 and March 31. See the ecological documentation for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection and the Ecological tab.

**Scenic Rivers**

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

**Scenic Rivers Remarks**

Project is not located within 1,000 feet of a National or state wild and/or scenic river.

**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:**

01/20/2026

**Floodplain Remarks**

As proposed, the project does not change the alignment, grade, or hydraulic capacity of the existing structure within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA), that renders this project exempt from the normal permit process requirements for work encroaching on a SFHA. See the FEMA-FIRM mapping and coordination for the project in the Project File/Permits/Floodplains subsection.

**Section 4(f)**

**Section 4(f):**

Not present

**Section 4(f) Remarks**

Section 4(f)/6(f) resources are not located within or near the project study area.

**Section 6(f)**

**Section 6(f):**

Not present

**Cultural Resources**

**Cultural Resources:**

Not Present

**Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval/SHPO  
Concurrence Date**

06/06/2025

**Cultural Resources Remarks**



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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 study 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. The Records Check can be found in the Project File under Cultural Resources/Project Information.

### **Environmental Resources Considered**

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

Regulated Materials

Farmland

### **Air Remarks**

This project is an Exempt Project per 40-CFR 93.126 (Exempt Project/Safety: Widening narrow pavements or reconstructing bridges (no additional travel lanes). No air quality analysis is required for the project.

### **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:**

Yes - Screening

### **Regulated Materials Review Screening:**

No Further Regulated Materials Review

**Regulated Materials Review Screening - DEC/OES Approval Date:**

09/22/2025

### **Regulated Materials Review Remarks:**

An RMR Screening was completed for the project with excavation unknown, no need of permanent right-of-way acquisition and no landfills located within or adjacent to the project study area. Based on review of the RMR Screening report by ODOT District Environmental Section personnel, further RMR studies warranted and special materials management are not warranted for the project. See the RMR documentation for the project in the Project File/RMR/Project Information and Reports subsections.

**Farmland:**

Non-Urbanized Area; No Impacts in  
Accordance With the Farmland  
MOU, 7 CFR 658, and ORC 929.05

### **Public Involvement**

**Public Involvement:**

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

**Public Involvement Remarks**



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ODOT District 4 personnel conducted various public involvement activities including property owner/stakeholder notification letters, website posting and a news release about the project, each soliciting public comments on the project. ODOT District 4 did not receive any comments on the project. See the public involvement documentation for the project in the Project File/Public Involvement/Project Information subsection.

**Environmental Commitments**

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Yes



## Environmental Commitments

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1) The Project Designer shall incorporate the following note into the plans: NO TREES SHALL BE REMOVED UNDER THIS PROJECT FROM APRIL 1 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30. ALL NECESSARY TREE REMOVAL SHALL OCCUR FROM OCTOBER 1 THROUGH MARCH 31. THIS REQUIREMENT IS NECESSARY TO AVOID AND MINIMIZE IMPACTS TO FEDERALLY AND STATE LISTED BAT SPECIES AS REQUIRED BY THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT. FOR THE PURPOSE OF THIS NOTE, A TREE IS DEFINED AS A LIVE, DYING, OR DEAD WOODY PLANT WITH A TRUNK 3 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) Do not place any temporary or permanent fill within the jurisdictional boundaries of all streams including Griggs Creek, wetlands, and jurisdictional ditches during construction of this project, including scaffolding or bracing. Do not place any equipment within the jurisdictional boundary of any waterway. If debris enters the waterway during construction, remove the debris immediately using equipment staged outside the jurisdictional boundary.

3) Eastern Massasauga Rattlesnake and Smooth Greensnake - Do not harm or kill the snakes and use caution since the eastern massasauga is a venomous species. If either of these species is encountered within the construction limits, stop all construction operations within the vicinity of the snake. The Project Engineer will immediately contact the District Environmental Coordinator. Do not resume construction activities within the vicinity of the snake until the District Environmental Coordinator determines the coordination/consultation with Ohio Department of Natural Resources and US Fish and Wildlife Service is complete.



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## Appendix

### General

Aerial Map.pdf  
Correspondence Related to Utility Coordination.pdf  
County Map.pdf  
STIP Listing.pdf  
USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

### RMR

Project Related Decision - RMR.pdf

### Ecological

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions  
USFWS/ODNR Ecological MOA Conditions

### Other Resources

Urban Areas Map.pdf  
Water Source Protection Area and Sole Source Aquifer Map .pdf

### Public Involvement

Property Owner Notification Letter-2.pdf  
Property Owner Notification Letter.pdf  
Public Notification Mailing List.pdf

### Permits

Correspondence with Local Floodplain Administrator.pdf  
FEMA FIRM.pdf