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Environmental Document

for

WOO Crim-Scott Hamilton SUP PID 122207

Environmental Document Level: C2

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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

PIDs 122207

Project Sponsor Bowling Green, City of

ODOT District 2

Funding Source Federal

Project Description:

The City of Bowling Green is proposing to construct a shared use path from Mercer Road to Crim Elementary. Additional work includes the extension of a culvert to accommodate the new SUP over Stream 1. Right of way from 7 properties (4 residential, 1 school, 1 undeveloped, 1 church) will be required for this project. Utility impacts/relocation are anticipated. The culvert work will require a waterway permit from the USACE. None of the work is within a special flood hazard area. There are no impacts to any listed species or their habitat. This project has minimal potential to cause adverse effects to any historically significant resources. Construction is expected to begin in the summer of 2027. During construction, traffic on Mercer Rd will be maintained at all times. This document was written and approved using Stage 2 plans.

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

Ellis STIP Details

Phase	Current STIP Reference
CO	122207: 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:

(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.)**

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



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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 identified Federally Listed Species for the project received an effect determination of No Effect.

Endangered Species Remarks:

No endangered species will be impacted by the project. No SWH for bat species is present within the project area and no other endangered species were observed in the project area.

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

Scenic Rivers Remarks

This project is not located within 1000 feet of a scenic river

Floodplains

100-Year Floodplain: No Encroachment Within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)

Floodplain Remarks

This project is not located within a special flood hazard area. No coordination or additional documentation is required

Section 4(f)

Section 4(f): Not present



Section 4(f) Remarks

No Section 4(f) properties are located within the project area. No coordination is required.

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 07/02/2025

Cultural Resources Remarks

In accordance with Stipulation V(C)(1) and Appendix B of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement executed on June 29, 2023 (Agreement No. 38503), ODOT-OES has determined that the proposed 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.

Tribal Consultation Summary/Remarks:

No comments or objections were received within 30 days

Environmental Resources Considered

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

Regulated Materials

Air Remarks

The project does not add capacity, a new interchange or a new road on new alignment. This project only slightly modifies an existing alignment. Hence this project will not result in any meaningful changes in traffic volume, vehicle mix, location of the existing facility, or any factor that would cause an increase in emissions impacts relative to the no-build alternative. The project is exempt under 40 CFR 93.126. No air quality analysis is required.

Noise Remarks

The project does not qualify as a Type I project for noise (i.e. not adding capacity to thru lanes, 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 No
Authorization:

Hazardous Materials - OES Approval Date: 07/02/2025

Regulated Materials Review Remarks:



There is no permanent right of way or deep excavation required for this project. This project is not located within 300 ft of a landfill. No further studies are required

Public Involvement

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

Public Involvement Remarks

Minimum PI requirements were met and no comments or objections were received

Environmental Commitments

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Yes



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1) The City of Bowling Green will obtain all appropriate waterway permits prior to any work within the jurisdictional boundary of any waterway, including wetlands, and all applicable waterway permits will be included in the plans and adhered to during construction.



Preparers and Approvals

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Approvals & Electronic Signatures

Approved & Electronically Signed By:	Approval Date:
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Appendix

General

Aerial Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

RMR

Environmental Database Search Results.pdf

Cultural Resources

Minimal Potential to Cause Effect - Appendix B

Records Check.pdf

Ecological

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

USFWS/ODNR Ecological MOA Conditions

Permits

FEMA FIRM.pdf