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Environmental Document for **WOO Slippery Elm Trail Resurf PID 124264** **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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Project Information

C2 Section

PIDs	124264
Project Sponsor	Wood County Park District
ODOT District	2
Funding Source	Federal

Project Description:

The Wood County Park District is currently proposing to resurface the Slippery Elm Trail in Wood County due to poor pavement conditions. All work is within the existing right of way and there will be no impacts to utilities. This project is located within a special flood hazard area. All National Flood Insurance Program requirements will be met and coordination with local floodplain administrators is on-going. There will be no impacts to any ecological or historically significant resources. Construction is expected to begin in the summer of 2026 and last approximately 45 days. During construction, there will be periodic closures of segments of the Slippery Elm Trail. Coordination with the Officials with Jurisdiction was completed and all agreed upon measures to minimize harm are included as plan notes in the construction plans.

This document was approved based on Stage 2 Plans.

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

Ellis STIP Details

Phase	Current STIP Reference
CO	124264: 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 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 identified Federally Listed Species for the project received an effect determination of No Effect.

Endangered Species Remarks:

There are some ecological species located within 1 mile of the project sites, but there will be no impacts to any state or federally listed species or their habitat.

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: 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: 12/17/2025

Floodplain Remarks

All NFIP regulations will be met and all required coordination will be done prior to construction. The work being done on the proposed will have no impact on the floodplain.



Section 4(f)

Section 4(f):

Present; No Impacts and/or Access
Restrictions

Section 4(f) Remarks

A Section 4(f)/6(f) Determination Request Form for Recreational Properties (DRF) was submitted to ODOT-OES Policy Staff on December 5, 2025. Based upon review of the DRF it was determined the proposed project can be processed as an exception to the requirement for Section 4(f) approval. In accordance with 23 CFR 774.13(d), the temporary occupancy of land and/or access will not constitute a use upon the protected recreational activities, features, or attributes associated with Slippery Elm Trail. The determination was made based on the proposed scope of work and concurrence received from the Official with Jurisdiction (OWJ) regarding the assessment of impacts that are included in the DRF.

No further Section 4(f) coordination is required at this time. A re-evaluation of Section 4(f) impacts may be required if changes to the proposed scope of work alter the degree of impacts to Slippery Elm Trail. Furthermore, all appropriate environmental commitments related to measures to minimize harm and/or resulting mitigation should be listed accordingly in the environmental document.

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

12/16/2025

Cultural Resources Remarks

The undertaking is a type which has minimal potential to cause effects to historic properties in accordance with Appendix A of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement and therefore, no further coordination is required. The Record 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

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



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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 Authorization: No

Hazardous Materials - OES Approval Date: 12/10/2025

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

Public Involvement: 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

Environmental Commitments Yes



Environmental Commitments

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- 1) Access to the Slippery Elm Trail shall be maintained at all times during construction activities except for the time needed to temporarily occupy the property, which shall be less than the time needed for construction of the project. A detour will be posted for the segments that are closed while they are being worked on.
- 2) Appropriate signage shall be installed to alert users of the Slippery Elm Trail of construction activities, access restrictions or closures, and to direct users to secondary access points.
- 3) The contractor shall closely coordinate the construction schedule with ODOT and the Wood County Parks District prior to the start of construction activities.



Preparers and Approvals

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Approvals & Electronic Signatures

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Appendix

General

Aerial Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

RMR

Environmental Database Search Results.pdf

Ecological

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

Section 4(f)

OES Recreational 4(f) Determination.pdf

Permits

Correspondence with Local Floodplain Administrator.pdf

FEMA FIRM.pdf

Statement of Findings.pdf