



# OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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## **Environmental Document**

for

## **TRU SR 0046 00.50 (Sidewalks) PID 120979**

**Environmental Document Level: C1**

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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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## C1

<b>PID</b>	120979
<b>Project Sponsor</b>	District 4-Planning
<b>ODOT District</b>	4
<b>Funding Source</b>	Federal

### Project Description:

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) proposes the removal and replacement of existing deteriorated concrete sidewalk along the east and west sides of State Route 46 from Stewart Street to Seaborn Street, a distance of approximately 1,636 feet, in Weathersfield Township, Trumbull County, Ohio.

Additional improvements proposed by the project include installation of rectangular rapid flashing beacons at the uncontrolled pedestrian crossing in proximity to the SR 46/Stewart Street intersection, driveway apron reconstruction, manhole/water valve box adjustments, concrete walk/curb and gutter/curb ramp removal and new concrete curb ramp installations to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, traffic control sign replacements and the application of new stop lines/crosswalk lines, as necessary throughout the project limits.

Mapping that depicts the project locations 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, traffic will be maintained in both directions on SR 46. Road closures and detours are not proposed to construct the project. Lane restrictions/reductions shall not be permitted after normal working hours. All necessary signage will be posted within the project construction limits. Also, vehicle and pedestrian access shall be maintained to all residential and commercial properties except when a driveway must be closed for construction. Residents and property owners will be notified prior to the closure, and every effort shall be made to accommodate each resident and property owner's need for access. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected during project construction.

The project will be constructed within the existing roadway right-of-way.

Existing utilities within the project study area will not be impacted/relocated to construct the project.

A Cultural Resources Records Check was performed using the SHPO GIS online database to determine if previously recorded cultural resources are located within the project Areas of Potential Effects (APE), the footprint of the project. The literature search determined the entire study corridor was previously surveyed for both architectural resources and archaeological sites. Inventoried buildings (OHIs) and one known archaeological site (OAI) are found in the study area. Additionally, there is one church building (OHI -- TRU-2629-23, First U.M. Church) determined eligible for inclusion in the National Register Historic Places (NRHP) (DOE-Serial #103617, 3711 SR 46) adjacent to the project corridor. This eligible church building is found on the east side of SR 46. This historic resource will not be impacted by in-kind sidewalk replacement.



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Based on this information, no further cultural resource investigations are recommended. Sidewalk construction and associated facilities installations are project types exempt from further cultural resource consideration by the 6/29/23 Cultural Resource PA (Agreement 38503), when they are beyond the boundary of a historic property and as long as no contributing component of the district will be removed or altered by construction.

Therefore, 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. No further cultural resource investigations are warranted. See the cultural resources documentation for the project in the Project File/Cultural Resources/Project Information subsection and the Cultural Resources Tab.

Additionally, on February 12, 2026, ODOT-OES determined the project will not result in a use of a Section 4(f) cultural resources in accordance with 36 CFR Part 774 as no land from or contributing elements of a historic property or district will be removed or altered by the undertaking. See the Cultural Resources Section 4(f) Determination documentation for the project in the Project File/Section 4(f)/Coordination 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.

In a correspondence dated, November 10, 2025, ODOT-OES environmental personnel determined the trees to be removed are located within an urban environment and do not exhibit characteristics suitable for bat roosting habitat, therefore, this project is considered ecologically exempt under the Ecological MOA (Agreement 19394). See the *Project Related OES Decision - Ecological* and the subsequent *Ecologically Exempt TRU-46-0.50 Sidewalks.pdf* 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 area and determined the project is not located within a special flood hazard area. See the floodplains documentation for the project in the Project File/Permits/Floodplains subsection.

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

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.

ODOT District 4 conducted various public involvement activities for the project including a press release and website posting. News articles detailing the project were published online by WKBN and Youngstown Vindicator media outlets. Comments were requested by all public involvement activities conducted for the project. Written comments were received from a single individual as a result of the public involvement activities conducted for the project. This individual was responded to directly. See the public involvement documentation, including the received comments and response to comments, for the project in the Project File/Public Involvement/Project Information subsection.



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 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	120979: 26-29 STIP

**The current cost estimate is in line with existing federal procedures for Ohio STIP Amendments and Administration Modifications:** Yes

**Cultural Resources Coordination:** Minimal Potential to Cause Effect  
Appendix B

**Cultural Resources Coordination Date:** 02/12/2026

**Tribal Consultation Summary/Remarks:**

The Miami Tribe of Oklahoma was notified of the "minimal potential to cause effects" determination on February 12, 2026. The Miami Tribe of Oklahoma did not respond within the 30-day comment period. See the tribal coordination for the project in the Cultural Resources tab.

**Supporting documentation has been uploaded to Project File:** Yes

**Select the appropriate project type (more than one can be selected):**

(3) Construction of bicycle and pedestrian lanes, paths, and facilities. *Examples include: Walkways, sidewalks, shared-use paths, and facilities, small passenger shelters, (i.e. construction of a bike path on an existing railroad bed, designations of certain highways as bike routes, painting of existing paved shoulders as bike lanes, ADA ramps, etc.) provided that no new disturbance will occur.*

(8) Installation of fencing, signs, pavement markings, small passenger shelters, traffic signals, and railroad warning devices where no substantial land acquisition or traffic disruption will occur. *Examples include: The installation or maintenance of signs, pavement markings/raised pavement markers/sensors, traffic calming activities, and/or new or replacement fencing (right-of-way, vandal, etc.); General pavement marking or "line painting" projects.*

(22) Projects, as defined in 23 U.S.C. 101 that would take place entirely within the existing operational right-of-way. Existing operational right-of-way refers to right-of-way that has been disturbed for an existing



transportation facility or is maintained for a transportation purpose. This area includes the features associated with the physical footprint of the transportation facility (including the roadway, bridges, interchanges, culverts, drainage, fixed guideways, mitigation areas, etc.) and other areas maintained for transportation purposes such as clear zone, traffic control signage, landscaping, any rest areas with direct access to a controlled access highway, areas maintained for safety and security of a transportation facility, parking facilities with direct access to an existing transportation facility, transit power substations, transit venting structures, and transit maintenance facilities. Portions of the right-of-way that have not been disturbed or that are not maintained for transportation purposes are not in the existing operational right-of-way. ***Examples include: Tower lighting within the existing operational right-of-way; Guardrail installation and replacement (including median cable barriers) where roadway ditches and backslopes will not be relocated; Improvements to existing ODOT/County maintenance facilities; Construction of new ODOT/County maintenance facilities within existing operational right-of-way; Environmental mitigation activities within existing operational right-of-way; Work on pedestrian and vehicle transfer structures and associated utilities, buildings, and terminals within existing operational right-of-way; Construction of alternative energy facilities (fuel tank farms, wind turbines, etc.)***

Environmental Commitments:

No



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### **Preparers and Approvals**

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## Appendix

### General

Aerial Map.pdf

County Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

### Cultural Resources

Minimal Potential to Cause Effect - Appendix B

Records Check.pdf

### Ecological

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

Project Related OES Decision - Ecological.pdf

### Section 4(f)

OES Cultural Resources 4(f) Determination.pdf

### Public Involvement

News Article - Vindicator.pdf

News Article - WKBN.pdf

ODOT Website Posting.pdf

Press Release.pdf

Public Comments Received - Kotheimer.pdf

Response to Public Comments - Kotheimer.pdf

### Permits

FEMA FIRM.pdf