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Full Re-Evaluation

for

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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 11, 2015, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.

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Re-evaluation Level

Explain why a re-evaluation is needed?

The project was initially approved as a C1 level document on August 29, 2017. During October 2017, ODOT District 4 completed a safety study for the project study area in response to elevated crash data received after the August 29, 2017, C1 level document approval. The results of this safety study recommend a road diet along the U. S. Route 20 project study area to restripe the existing four travel lanes to two 12-foot wide travel lanes, a 12-foot wide two-way center left turn lane, a 12-foot wide exclusive center left turn lane along both the east and west approaches to the U. S. Route 20/County Line Road intersection, a 12-foot wide exclusive center left turn lane along the west approach to the U. S. Route 20/Padanarum Road intersection and 4.5-foot wide shoulders. The recommended road diet was subsequently incorporated into the project plans. Consequently, the environmental document level changed from a C1 level document to a C2 level document and, thereby, warranted a reevaluation.



C2

PID: 100951
Project Sponsor: DISTRICT 4-PLANNING
ODOT District: 4
Funding Source: Federal
Private Funding: No

Project Description:

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) proposes to improve U. S. Route 20/North Ridge Road in the suburban/rural area of Geneva Township and the city of Geneva in Ashtabula County. Based on deficient pavement conditions, the U. S. Route 20 pavement will be resurfaced with a fine graded polymer asphalt concrete overlay from the Lake County/Ashtabula County Line to west of the U. S. Route 20/West Main Court intersection, Straight Line Mile (SLM) 0.00 to SLM 2.00.

Pavement markings on U. S. Route 20 are proposed to be modified at the eastbound and westbound approaches to the CSX Transportation Railroad bridge overpass from SLM 1.78 to SLM 1.87. The existing two-way-left-turn lane at this location is not functional because no driveways or intersections exist within the railroad bridge overpass. Also, U. S. Route 20 curves as it approaches the narrow railroad bridge and reduces sight distance. For these reasons, the existing two-way center left turn lane at this location is proposed for conversion to accommodate a 4-foot wide median with two solid yellow centerlines, two (2) expanded 14-foot wide travel lanes and two (2) expanded 4-foot wide shoulders. Taper pavement markings will also be installed at this location.

The above-described activities were included in the August 29, 2017 approval of the C1 level document and will be constructed in this project.

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The proposed road diet does not involve any additional environmental impacts. The project will not impact any environmentally sensitive resources. 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.

Between SLM 0.00 and SLM 1.56, a minimum of one ten-foot lane in each direction shall be maintained on the existing pavement and completed pavement during project construction. Between SLM 1.56 and SLM



2.00, a minimum of one ten foot bidirectional lane shall be maintained on the existing completed pavement during project construction.

Public involvement activities conducted for the proposed resurfacing/road diet project included a project notification email correspondence to local stakeholders to solicit comments from those potentially affected by the project. Two comments were received by email correspondence. Both comments involved clarification of the shoulder width and its use by bicyclists. ODOT District 4 responded to both comments by email reply correspondence. A stakeholder meeting occurred on May 1, 2018, that included the ODOT District 4 project team and management, the local Ohio State Representative, Geneva Township Trustees, Geneva Fire Department staff, a representative for the Geneva city manager and local residents and business owners. The primary purpose of the meeting was to explain the proposed U. S. Route 20 road diet to stakeholders. See project file for public involvement documentation.

STIP Reference # Statewide Line Item (SLI) 32 and is fiscally constrained.

Select the appropriate project type:

(27) Highway safety or traffic operations improvement projects, including the installation of ramp metering control devices and lighting, if the project meets the constraints in paragraph (e) of this section. *Examples include: Lane reduction ("road diet") changes provided traffic analysis is completed; Railroad projects that close at-grade crossings to improve safety or traffic operations.*

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 right-of-way b. Residential or non-residential displacements c. A Coast Guard, Individual Section 404 and/or a Section 10 permit d. A Section 106 finding of Adverse Effect e. A Section 4(f) Programmatic or Individual Evaluation 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. If an EJ Analysis Report is required, the project must be processed as a D-level CE or higher level document 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.

Waterways:	Not Present
Endangered Species:	No Impacts to Protected Species and Critical Habitat
100-Year Floodplain:	No Encroachment Within a Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA)
Section 4(f):	Not present
Section 6(f):	Not present
Cultural Resources:	Present; No Finding of Adverse Effect



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Cultural Resources Coordination:	Minimum Potential to Cause Effect - Appendix A
Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval Date:	08/03/2017
Projects that meet C2 criteria are not anticipated to have impacts to the following environmental resources. If resources are present, documentation is only required if there is a potential for impacts.	
Air Quality:	Studies Not Required
Air Quality - Coordination with OES:	No
Noise:	Studies Not Required
Noise Coordination - OES Approval Date:	
Hazardous Materials - ESA Screening Conducted	Studies Not Required
Farmland:	Non-Urbanized Area; No Impacts in Accordance With the Farmland MOU, 7 CFR 658, and ORC 929.05
Scenic Rivers	No National Wild and Scenic River Within 1000 Feet of the Proposed Project Area
Projects that meet C2 criteria must be in accordance with ODOT's UP Guidance and activities conducted for Public Involvement are commensurate to the project's type and scope of work.	
Underserved Populations	Does Not Exceed UP Guidance Criteria; No UP Analysis Report Required and No UP Issues Raised During Public Involvement
Public Involvement:	Minimum PI Requirements Met; No Minor Public or Agency Controversy on Environmental Grounds
Environmental Commitments	No



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Environmental Commitments



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Appendix

General

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

County Map.pdf

Aerial Map.pdf

Pavement Marking Change.pdf

Ecological

Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf

Underserved Populations

Underserved Populations Documentation Form.pdf

Public Involvement

Response to Stakeholder Comments.pdf

Stakeholder Notification.pdf