



# OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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## **Environmental Document** for **STA Whipple Ave Resurfacing PID 99849**

**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 11, 2015, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.*

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## C1

<b>PID:</b>	99849
<b>Project Sponsor:</b>	STARK COUNTY ENGINEER
<b>ODOT District:</b>	4
<b>Funding Source:</b>	Federal
<b>Private Funding:</b>	No

### Project Description:

The Stark County Engineer proposes to mill, repair and resurface 4.04 miles of Whipple Avenue (County Road [CR] 219 and CR 214) in Jackson and Perry Townships, Stark County, Ohio. Pavement milling, repair and resurfacing on Whipple Avenue begins at the Whipple Avenue/State Route 172 (Tuscarawas Avenue) intersection at Station (Sta.) 112+72 and extends north to Belden Village Street NW at Sta. 325+94. As part of the proposed transportation improvement, deteriorated sidewalk and curb & gutter will be repaired, existing electronic traffic control signals will be upgraded, new pavement marking and signage installed and new curb ramps installed in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) criteria.

Traffic signal upgrades include installation of new signal heads with light-emitting diode (LED) lighting, back plates and tether wires, un-interruptable power supply and signal signage at the following Whipple Avenue intersections:

- Aurora Street;
- 4<sup>th</sup> Street;
- 12<sup>th</sup> Street;
- 20<sup>th</sup> Street;
- Hills & Dales Road;
- Fulton Drive;
- 38<sup>th</sup> Street
- 42<sup>nd</sup> Street/Munson Street;
- Springbrook Plaza (commercial drive); and
- 47<sup>th</sup> Street/Holiday Street.

No deep excavation is anticipated for the proposed transportation improvements. All work shall be performed within the existing Whipple Avenue and cross roadway rights-of-way.

With the exception of short duration day-time single lane closures performed for overhead traffic signal replacement activities, a minimum of one 10-foot lane in each direction will be maintained on all affected roads at all times during project construction.



Utility poles, overhead utility lines and underground utilities to be impacted by the project will be relocated within the existing roadway right-of-way. Existing utilities will not be permanently removed to construct the proposed project. Coordination with affected utility owners is ongoing for the project.

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

Based on the project scope of work, its Path 1 Preliminary Development Process (PDP) Classification and the proposed maintenance of traffic measures, emergency/public services contact activities were not conducted for the project.

Stage 1 Plans were utilized to evaluate potential environmental impacts by and obtain NEPA approval for the project. The Stage 1 Plans are available in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as *Stage 1 Design.pdf*.

**STIP Reference #** 2018stipID0242FDCO and is fiscally constrained.

**Cultural Resources Coordination:** Minimal Potential to Cause Effect - Appendix A

**Cultural Resources Coordination Date:** 01/08/2018

**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*



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*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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### **Approvals & Electronic Signatures**

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Edward Deley (PROGRAM ADMIN 3)	1/10/2018



## **Appendix**

### **General**

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

### **Cultural Resources**

Records Check.pdf

### **Underserved Populations**

Census Mapping.pdf