



# OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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## **Environmental Document**

for

## **ATB SR 0534 17.04/21.21 PID 101411**

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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 June 6, 2018, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.*

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## C1

<b>PID:</b>	101411
<b>Project Sponsor:</b>	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING
<b>ODOT District:</b>	4
<b>Funding Source:</b>	Federal
<b>Private Funding:</b>	No

### **Project Description:**

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) proposes to resurface a total of 2.85 miles of State Route (SR) 534 in Harpersfield Township and the city of Geneva, Ashtabula County, as follows:

- 2.21 miles of SR 534 from straight line mile (SLM) 17.04 to SLM 19.34, less the 0.09 mile section of the ATB-534-18.32 bridge over the Grand River from SLM 18.31 to SLM 18.40 in Harpersfield Township; and
- 0.64 mile of SR 534 from SLM 21.21 to SLM 21.85 in Geneva.

This project also proposes partial depth pavement repairs, rumble stripe installations, raised pavement marker installations, compacted aggregate shoulder maintenance activities and pavement marking applications.

The project will be constructed within the existing roadway/street rights-of-way.

A minimum of one (1) ten-foot bidirectional lane of traffic shall be maintained on the existing pavement and completed pavement during project construction. Road closures and detours are not proposed to construct the project. Access shall be maintained to all adjacent properties, businesses and intersecting side streets for the duration of the project. Maintenance of traffic information will be posted within the project limits prior to the start of project construction. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected during project construction.

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

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.

In accordance with Stipulation V(C)(1) and Appendix A of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement executed on November 8, 2017 (Agreement No. 19319), amended on July 11, 2019, ODOT determined the



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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. See the cultural resources documentation for the project in the Project File/Cultural Resources/Project Information subsection and the Cultural Resources Tab.

Based on the information in the Regulated Materials Review (RMR) Form completed for the project, further RMR evaluation or special materials management is not warranted for the project. See the RMR documentation for the project in the Project File/ESA/Reports subsection.

Additionally, this project is considered ecologically exempt under the Ecological MOA (Agreement 19394). See the Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection.

Project construction activities are not proposed on the existing SR 534 bridge over the State Scenic Grand River in Harpersfield Township. However, pavement resurfacing and minor roadway maintenance will occur on each side of the bridge within the 1,000-foot buffer of the State Scenic Grand River. A Scenic River Field Review form for the project, project plans and mapping of the 1,000-foot buffer of the State Scenic Grand River were provided to the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) Scenic River Manager (NE Region Manager) by electronic mail correspondence, dated May 1, 2020. Moreover, preconstruction notification will be submitted to the ODNR Scenic River Manager a minimum of 15 calendar days prior to commencement of work in compliance with the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Ohio Department of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (Division of Watercraft) For Project Coordination On Ohio's State Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers (2014). On May 5, 2020, the ODNR Scenic River NE Region Manager transmitted the signed Scenic River Field Review form for the project with additional review comments about the placement/condition of the Grand River State Scenic River signs on each approach to the SR 534 bridge. ODOT District 4 personnel subsequently confirmed the existence and good condition of those state scenic river signs and conveyed that state scenic river sign information to the ODNR Scenic River NE Region Manager on May 12, 2020. See the State Scenic River coordination documentation for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Coordination subsection.

See continuation of the project description in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as Project Description Continued.pdf.

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

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

**Cultural Resources Coordination Date:** 05/22/2020

**Since no Tribe was interested in this project based on their customized preferences, no further Tribal consultation was conducted.**

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

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



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(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:

Yes



## **Environmental Commitments**

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1) The project designer shall incorporate a plan note to ensure the ODNR Scenic River Manager/NE Region is invited to the project Preconstruction Meeting and Preconstruction Notification is submitted to the ODNR Scenic River Manager/NE Region a minimum of 15 calendar days prior to commencement of work in compliance with the Memorandum of Agreement Between the Ohio Department of Transportation and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (Division of Watercraft) For Project Coordination On Ohio's State Wild, Scenic and Recreational Rivers (2014).



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### **Approvals & Electronic Signatures**

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## **Appendix**

### **Ecological**

Coordination with ODNR - Scenic River Field Review Form.pdf

Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf

ODNR Comments.pdf

### **General**

Project Description Continued.pdf

### **Ecological**

Scenic River 1000 Foot Buffer Map.pdf

### **General**

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

### **Permits**

District Determination - No Floodplain Impacts.pdf

FEMA FIRM Geneva.pdf

FEMA FIRM Harpersfield Twp.pdf