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Environmental Document for **TRU Mecca St (Cortland) PID 104626** 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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| PID: | 104626 |
| Project Sponsor: | Cortland, City of |
| ODOT District: | 4 |
| Funding Source: | Federal |
| Private Funding: | No |

Project Description:

The city of Cortland proposes to improve 1.69 miles of State Route (SR) 46/Mecca Street from south of Wakefield Drive to the Cortland north corporation limit. Improvements proposed by this project include milling/resurfacing of existing pavement, replacing two (2) existing traffic signals, improving drainage features, installing new traffic signs and applying new pavement markings. The proposed traffic signal replacement will occur at the SR 46-Mecca Street/SR 5-Elm Road intersection and the SR 46-Mecca Street/SR 5-South High Street/Warren-Meadville Road intersection. The traffic signal replacement activities include the replacement of signal heads, cable, messenger wire, strain poles, cabinets and controllers. Mapping that depicts the project location on United States Geological Survey (USGS) 7.5-Minute Topographic Quadrangle Mapping is included in Project File/General/Project Information as USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf.

A minimum of one 11-foot lane of traffic in each direction shall be maintained on the existing pavement and completed pavement during project construction except when construction will require a minimum of one 10-foot bidirectional lane of traffic to be maintained using flaggers. The duration of lane closures and restrictions shall be prescribed by the permitted lane closure chart. Construction and lane restriction/reduction information will be posted within the project construction limits prior to the start of project construction. Lane restrictions/reductions shall not be permitted after normal working hours. Access shall be maintained to all adjacent properties, businesses and intersecting side streets for the duration of the project. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected to construct the project.

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

Existing utilities within the project study area will not be impacted/relocated to construct the project. Any electric service connections related to the proposed traffic signal replacements shall be coordinated with the electric service provider in accordance with the project plan. Coordination with the utility companies within the project study area was conducted for the project during its preliminary engineering phase and will continue during its detailed design phase.

A Cultural Resources Records Check was performed by GPD Group environmental personnel using the SHPO GIS online database. No Cultural Resources listed on or determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places were identified within and/or immediately adjacent to the proposed project area. The undertaking is a type that has minimal potential to cause effects to historic properties. No further coordination is required in accordance with the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement. 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 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.



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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.

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.

GPD Group environmental personnel reviewed the FEMA FIRM for the project study area and determined the project is not located within a special flood hazard area.

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

Cortland conducted various public involvement activities for the project, including a news release, a city website posting and property owner/tenant/stakeholder notification letters. Comments were requested by all of the public involvement activities conducted for the project. Two (2) comments/inquiries were received as a result of the public involvement activities conducted for the project and addressed by Cortland. See the public involvement documentation, including the received comments/inquiries and responses to comments/inquiries, 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 2 Design plans for the project. A copy of the Stage 2 Design plans for the project is included in the Project File/General/Project Information subsection as Stage 2 Design.pdf.

The estimated total project cost specified in Ellis agrees with the total project cost specified in the ODOT State Fiscal Years 2021 - 2024 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

STIP Reference #: 104626: 21-24 STIP.

Cultural Resources Coordination: Minimal Potential to Cause Effect
Appendix A

Cultural Resources Coordination Date: 12/14/2020

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):

(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



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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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Appendix

General

Aerial Map.pdf

County Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

Cultural Resources

Records Check.pdf

Ecological

Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf

Public Involvement

Cortland Website Posting.pdf

Press Release.pdf

Property Owner Notification Letter.pdf

Public Notification Mailing List.pdf

Stakeholder Comments.pdf

Stakeholder Contact List.pdf