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## **Environmental Document**

for

## **POR SR 82/306 2.37/0.00 PID 105212**

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

**Project Description:**

The Ohio Department of Transportation proposes to perform pavement and bridge structure maintenance on State Route (SR) 82, and SR 306 in the City of Aurora, Portage County. SR 82 will be milled, repaired and resurfaced from approximately SR 43 (Aurora Road) to the east City of Aurora Corp Line (Town Line Road) and SR 306 will be milled, repaired and resurfaced from approximately SR 43 (Aurora Road) to the north City of Aurora Corp Line (Crackel Road). Additional roadway maintenance improvements proposed by this project include partial/full depth pavement repairs, linear shoulder grading, sidewalk and curb ramp reconstruction to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, curb and gutter replacement, monument/catch basin/conduit grade adjustments, traffic signal equipment modification/loop replacement, linear shoulder grading, rumble strips and raised pavement marker replacement, and new lane/edge/center/channelizing/stop/crosswalk lines/other pavement markings applications within the project limits.

As part of the proposed project, maintenance will be performed on the POR-82-3.448 (SFN: 6703283) bridge spanning the Aurora Branch of the Chagrin River and the POR-306-2.140 (SFN: 6704743) bridge which also spans the Aurora Branch of the Chagrin River. The project will remove the existing asphalt wearing surfaces from the bridge decks and approach slabs, repair unsound areas on the deck surfaces and approach slabs, replace the structure expansion joints and install new asphalt on the bridge deck and approach slab surfaces.

Mapping that depicts the project location 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*.

A minimum of one ten-foot lane will be maintained in each direction on SR 82 and SR 303 during pavement and bridge maintenance operations. Access shall be maintained to all adjacent properties throughout the project construction duration. Substantial traffic disruptions are not expected during project construction.

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.

The project will be constructed within the existing road rights-of-way.

Utilities will not be impacted 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 Area of Potential Effects (APE), the footprint of the project. The literature search concluded that portions of the pavement resurfacing limits are within the National Register (N.R.) Boundary of the Aurora Center Historic District. The proposed work taking place within the boundary of the Aurora Center Historic District is limited to pavement resurfacing and associated partial/full depth pavement repairs, linear shoulder grading, sidewalk and curb ramp reconstruction, curb and gutter replacement, monument/catch basin/conduit grade adjustments, traffic signal equipment modification/loop replacement, linear shoulder grading, rumble strips and raised pavement marker replacement, and new lane/edge/center/channelizing/stop/crosswalk lines/other pavement markings applications along existing modern asphalt paved routes, therefore, the proposed project will not impact the Aurora Center Historic District.

Bridge maintenance will only involve modern structures based on information found in Ellis. TIMS mapping indicates that the POR-82-3.448 (SFN: 6703283) and POR-306-2.140 (SFN: 6704743) bridge structures are not historic nor are they considered eligible for the N.R based on the Ohio DOT Historic Bridge Inventory (accepted April 28, 2010). Rehabilitation of non-historic and non-contributing bridges, even those within a N.R. historic district where no new right-of-way is required, are construction activities which are exempt from further cultural resource consideration by the 6/29/23 Cultural Resource PA (Agreement 38503). The project undertaking is a type which has minimal potential to cause effects to historic properties in accordance with Appendix A of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement and therefore, no further coordination is required. See the cultural resources documentation for the project in the Project File/Cultural Resources/Project Information subfolder 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.

This project will involve work in proximity of the State Scenic Aurora Branch of the Chagrin River. All work will be performed within the City of Aurora limits and no work will be performed below the ordinary high water mark of the Aurora Branch of the Chagrin River. The Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) 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 does not apply to the project. Moreover, proposed pavement/bridge structure maintenance activities will not impact Unionid Mussels, migratory nesting birds, bridge structures over water that have evidence of roosting bats, suitable habitat for Federal and State species that would result in an effect or impact to the species, or place temporary or permanent fills in any streams, wetlands or other waters of the United States, therefore, this project is considered ecologically exempt under the Ecological MOA (Agreement 19394). See the *Ecologically Exempt POR-82 306-0237 0000.pdf* for the project in the Project File/Ecological/Reports subsection.

ODOT District 4 Environmental Section personnel review of flood plain mapping determined the project is located within mapped Special Flood Hazard Areas. The project is considered roadway maintenance that will not change the alignment, grade or hydraulic capacity of the river or other streams and, therefore, is exempt from the normal permit process required for work encroaching on a special flood hazard area. See 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.

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 project construction cost specified in the Stage 3 Plan Estimate is less than 1% lower than the cost specified in the ODOT State Fiscal Years 2026 - 2029 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Fiscal constraint is at the Statewide Line Item (SLI) Group level. An individual project utilizing a SLI does not require a STIP/TIP amendment.

**The next phase of the proposed project is listed on the STIP:** Yes

**Ellis STIP Details**

Phase	Current STIP Reference
CO	105212: 26-29 STIP
CO	105212: 24-27 STIP
DD	

**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 A

**Cultural Resources Coordination Date:** 09/23/2025

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):**

(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



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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



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1) This project will involve work in proximity of the State Scenic Aurora Branch of the Chagrin River. The project designer shall incorporate the following notes into the plans: AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER AVOIDANCE - POR-82-3.448 and POR-306-2.140:

THE POR-82-3.448 AND POR-306-2.140 BRIDGES SPAN THE STATE SCENIC AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOT DISCHARGE TOXIC OR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS SUCH AS SEALANTS, PAINT, SOLVENTS, CLEANING AGENTS, EARTHEN MATERIALS, WASTE-WATER, FUELS OR DEBRIS OF ANY KIND TO THE STATE SCENIC AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER, ITS TRIBUTARIES, OR DRAINAGE WAYS. IF REFUELING OF IMMOBILE EQUIPMENT IS NECESSARY WITHIN THE FLOODPLAIN OR NEAR ANY TRIBUTARY DRAINAGE WAYS, DITCHES, OR STREAM, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL PROVIDE SECONDARY CONTAINMENT WITH ENOUGH CAPACITY TO COMPLETELY CONTAIN AND COLLECT ALL POTENTIAL LIQUID WASTES IN THE EVENT OF A SPILL.

ANY AND ALL CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS, EARTHEN DEBRIS, EXCESS ASPHALT OR CONCRETE, WOOD DEBRIS FROM CLEARING, EXCESS FILL MATERIAL, AND TRASH SHALL BE DISPOSED OF AT AN APPROVED UPLAND SITE OR LAND FILL ABOVE FEMA 100-YEAR FLOOD ELEVATIONS. DISPOSAL OF ANY SUCH MATERIALS WITHIN 1000 FEET OF THE STATE SCENIC AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER IS PROHIBITED.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH ORC 3750.06, REPORTABLE SPILLS MUST BE REPORTED TO THE LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT (911), THE LOCAL EMERGENCY DISPATCH (330-562-8181 OR DIAL 911 IN AN EMERGENCY), AND THE OHIO SPILL LINE (1-800-282-9378).

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL KEEP ALL IDLE EQUIPMENT, FUELS, LUBRICANTS, AND ANY STORAGE FOR/OF POTENTIALLY TOXIC OR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS OUT OF THE FEMA DESIGNATED SPECIAL FLOOD HAZARD AREAS AND NOT WITHIN 1000 FEET OF THE STATE SCENIC AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER.

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROL PLAN BEFORE EARTHWORK COMMENCES. THE PLAN SHALL INCLUDE A LIST OF APPLICABLE BMPS, PER SS 832 THAT WILL BE USED THROUGHOUT THE PROJECT, SUCH AS PERIMETER CONTROLS AND/OR SEEDING AND MULCHING, AND MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE ODOT PROJECT ENGINEER FOR REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE. SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE PROPERLY INSTALLED AND MAINTAINED THROUGHOUT THE DURATION OF THE PROJECT.

STRAW BALES SHALL NOT BE PERMITTED AS A FORM OF SEDIMENT CONTROL. ALL TEMPORARY SEDIMENT AND EROSION CONTROLS SHALL BE REMOVED UPON STABILIZATION OF THE PROJECT AREA. PARTICULAR ATTENTION SHALL BE GIVEN TO ANY DRAINAGE WAYS, UNPROTECTED SLOPES, DITCHES, AND STREAMS THAT COULD CONVEY SEDIMENT LADEN WATERS DIRECTLY TO THE STATE SCENIC AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER.

IF ANY PAINTING, WELDING, SAND, AND/OR WATER BLASTING (CLEANING) AT OR OVER THE STATE SCENIC AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER, THEN THE CONTRACTOR SHALL UTILIZE APPROPRIATE APRONS TO PROVIDE FOR COMPLETE CONTAINMENT OF ALL PAINT, WELDING SLAG AND/OR SEALANT OVER SPRAY AND OTHER DEBRIS. APRONS, APPROPRIATE FALSEWORK, OR OTHER BARRIERS SHALL BE UTILIZED ON ALL DECK REPLACEMENT PROJECTS TO PREVENT THE DISCHARGE OF CONCRETE, ASPHALT, OR OTHER DEBRIS TO A DESIGNATED SCENIC RIVER. ALL DEBRIS COLLECTED SHALL BE DISPOSED OF AT AN APPROVED UPLAND SITE OR LAND FILL ABOVE FEMA 100-YEAR FLOOD ELEVATIONS. DISPOSAL OF ANY SUCH MATERIALS WITHIN 1000 FEET OF THE STATE SCENIC AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER IS PROHIBITED.

THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOTIFY THE PROJECT ENGINEER 40 DAYS PRIOR TO WORK WITHIN 1000 FEET OF THE STATE SCENIC AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER.

THE PROJECT ENGINEER SHALL NOTIFY THE DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL COORDINATOR 35 DAYS PRIOR TO WORK WITHIN 1000 FEET OF AURORA BRANCH OF THE CHAGRIN RIVER.



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### **Approvals & Electronic Signatures**

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Brian Peck (ENV SPEC 3)	9/23/2025



## **Appendix**

### **General**

Aerial Map.pdf

County Map.pdf

USGS Quadrangle Topographical Map.pdf

### **Cultural Resources**

Records Check.pdf

### **Ecological**

NHDB MAP.pdf

ODNR Scenic River MOA Conditions

### **Public Involvement**

Correspondence with Stakeholders 1-10-2025.pdf

Correspondence with Stakeholders 1-13-2025.pdf

Correspondence with Stakeholders 12-19-2024.pdf

Correspondence with Stakeholders 12-202-2024.pdf

Correspondence with Stakeholders 9-9-2025.pdf

### **Permits**

District Determination - No Floodplain Impacts.pdf

FEMA FIRM.pdf