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Environmental Document

for

OTT SR 2 18.3/27.57 PID 106165

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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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PID: 106165
Project Sponsor: DISTRICT 2 PRODUCTION
ODOT District: 2
Funding Source: Federal
Private Funding: No

Project Description:

The Ohio Department of Transportation is proposing to encase the piers of two bridges on State Route 2 in Ottawa County in order to prevent erosion of weight bearing portions of the structures. One of the structures is over the Portage River and one is over an overflow for the Sandusky Bay. All work is within the existing right of way and there will be no impacts to any utilities. All waterway impacts are being coordinated with the USACE and the appropriate waterway permit will be obtained prior to construction. This project is exempt from floodplain coordination as determined by the district hydraulic engineer (documentation in project file). All impacts to the Portage River and Sandusky Bay have been coordinated with the ODNR and USFWS. All comments that came out of the coordination and the general conditions of the MOA between the agencies have been met (documentation in project file). This project has minimal potential to have effects on historic resources. Construction is expected to begin in the summer of 2019 and last approximately 90 days. During construction, a minimum of one lane in each direction will be maintained at all times.

This document was written and approved based on Stage 2 plans.

STIP Reference # SLI 32

Select the appropriate project type:

(28) Bridge rehabilitation, reconstruction, or replacement or the construction of grade separation to replace existing at-grade railroad crossings, if the actions meet the constraints in 23 CFR 771.117(e). **Examples include: Railroad projects that close or relocate at-grade crossings**

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

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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:	Present; No Coast Guard, Individual 404, and/or Section 10 Permit required
Waterways Permit Type:	Permit Determination and/or Permit Application Approval Pending
Isolated Wetland Permit	No
Endangered Species:	Present; No finding of May Affect, Likely to Adversely Affect
Endangered Species - Coordination	May Affect, Not Likely to Adversely Affect
Endangered Species - Coordination Date	07/31/2017
Endangered Species - Critical Habitat Present/Impacted	
Kirtland's warbler	
Endangered Species - Other Critical Habitat Present/Impacted:	No
100-Year Floodplain:	Encroachment Within the SFHA is a Functionally Dependent Use
EO 11988/NFIP Coordination and Documentation Completed:	Yes
NFIP Local Floodplain Coordinator Notification Date:	09/17/2018
Section 4(f):	Not present
Section 6(f):	Not present
Cultural Resources:	Present; No Finding of Adverse Effect
Cultural Resources Coordination:	Minimum Potential to Cause Effect Appendix A
Cultural Resources Coordination - ODOT Approval/SHPO Concurrence Date	11/08/2017
Since no Tribe was interested in this project based on their customized preferences, no further Tribal consultation was conducted.	
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:	10/16/2018



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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

Yes



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1) The Project Designer shall incorporate the following note into the plans: No work (temporary or permanent) shall be performed below the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM 572.71) of the Sandusky Bay. The contractor shall immediately remove any material that falls into the Portage River through non-mechanical means. Under no circumstances shall the contractor work in or store equipment and/or materials in the Portage River or any other waters. Any work below the OHWM is a violation of the Federal Clean Water Act of 1972.

2) The Project Designer shall incorporate the following note into the plans: The project is located within the Ottawa County Regional drinking water source protection area. In order to minimize the potential for a release in this sensitive area, project related refueling and maintenance activities performed within the project work limits shall be conducted in an environmentally responsible manner. Spills of fuels, oils, chemicals or other materials which could pose a threat to the drinking water source area shall be cleaned up immediately by the Contractor. If the spill is a reportable amount, the Contractor should contact Ottawa County Emergency Management (419-734-6900) and Ohio EPA Environmental Response and Revitalization (419-373-3031 or 800-282-9378) for cleanup of the spill.

3) The Project Designer shall incorporate the following note into the plans: To minimize impacts to the Kirtland's warbler during migration, trees and brush located within 3 miles of the Lake Erie shoreline will not be removed between April 22nd and June 1st or between August 15th and October 15th. If this species is encountered within the construction limits during construction operations, all construction operations will cease and the USFWS Columbus Field Office be notified immediately (614-416-8993). Activity will not resume until coordination with USFWS has been concluded.



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Appendix

General

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Regulated Materials Map.pdf

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Buckeye Assets Mapping.pdf

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ODNR Comments - coastal attachment.pdf

ODNR Comments.pdf

ODOT Disposition of Agency Comments.pdf

USFWS Comments.pdf

Underserved Populations

Census Mapping.pdf

Underserved Populations Documentation Form.pdf

Permits

District Determination - No Floodplain Impacts.pdf

FEMA FIRM.pdf

Letter of Notification of Exemption - ODOT Form LD-51.pdf

Statement of Findings.pdf