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Environmental Document

for

MAH West Newport Drive PID 107043

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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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Project Sponsor: Mill Creek Park District
ODOT District: 4
Funding Source: Non-Federal
Private Funding: No

Project Description:

Mill Creek Metropolitan Park District (Mill Creek Metro Parks) plans to improve West Newport Drive in Mill Creek Park, City of Youngstown, Mahoning County, Ohio. The project proposes to mill and resurface 1.53 miles of West Newport Drive from Hampton Drive to Sheban Drive. Additional improvements include the restoration of the aggregate roadway shoulders and the application of new edge lines within the project limits.

During project construction, West Newport Drive will remain open to pedestrian and bicycle traffic at all times, but will be closed to all vehicular traffic from Hampton Drive to Sheban Drive for a maximum of twenty-one (21) consecutive days. The official detour route for this closure will utilize Sheban Drive, Truesdale Road, Lockwood Boulevard, Arden Boulevard and Cascade Drive. Bicycle and pedestrian traffic and access to all Mill Creek Park facilities, including the Newport Wetlands and Newport Drive Picnic Area, shall be maintained at all times throughout project construction. No substantial traffic disruptions are anticipated to construct the project.

The project has no Federal funding (100% State funded project), does not involve a Federal action and will be constructed within Mill Creek Metroparks property.

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

The project is located within the historic boundaries of the Mill Creek Park Historic District listed in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), however, no new right-of-way will be required and no features of the historic district will be removed or altered by the project. Based on the nature of the proposed activities, ODOT is not required to notify Ohio's State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) of the project. The project is exempt from consultation with the SHPO under Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 149.53 and under stipulations found in the revised State Funded Project Agreement (Agreement No. 17075) between the SHPO and ODOT dated August 22, 2012. The work is an exempted project type and is limited to general highway maintenance as referenced in Appendix A under Item 9. The ODOT-OES Section 106 Cultural Resource Coordination - ORC Section 149.53 IOC, dated February 14, 2018, for the project can be found in the Project File/Cultural Resources/Coordination subsection as State Funded Project Coordination - OES.pdf.

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

Mill Creek Metro Parks conducted various public involvement activities including a press release, Mill Creek Metro Parks website posting and emergency and public services notification. Two (2) comments were received as a result of the public involvement activities conducted for the project. All public involvement



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documentation, including the received public comments and Mill Creek Metro Parks responses, can be found 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.

STIP Reference # Statewide Line Item (SLI) Number 99 and is fiscally constrained.

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

Cultural Resources Coordination Date: 02/14/2018

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 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.)**

(31) Activities that do not utilize federal monies or require federal actions.

Environmental Commitments: Yes



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1) The project designer shall incorporate the following note into the plans: MILL CREEK PARK: BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC AND ACCESS TO ALL MILL CREEK PARK FACILITIES, INCLUDING THE NEWPORT WETLANDS AND WEST NEWPORT DRIVE PICNIC AREA, SHALL BE MAINTAINED AT ALL TIMES THROUGHOUT PROJECT CONSTRUCTION. APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE SHALL BE INSTALLED TO ALERT USERS OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES, IF IN PROXIMITY TO RECREATIONAL FACILITIES OR FEATURES. EXCEPT AS NECESSARY TO FACILITATE CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES, THE STAGING AND/OR STORAGE OF CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT SHALL NOT TAKE PLACE BEYOND THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION LIMITS, WITHIN MILL CREEK METROPARKS PROPERTY BOUNDARIES. THE CONTRACTOR SHALL CLOSELY COORDINATE THE CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE WITH ODOT AND MILL CREEK METROPOLITAN PARK DISTRICT PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES. MOREOVER, THE PROJECT IS LOCATED WITHIN THE HISTORIC BOUNDARIES OF THE MILL CREEK PARK HISTORIC DISTRICT LISTED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES (NRHP). THEREFORE, CONSTRUCTION WORK SHALL BE IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE U.S. SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR'S STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION, AS APPLICABLE.



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Appendix

General

USGS Topographical Map.pdf

Cultural Resources

State Funded Project Coordination - OES.pdf

Public Involvement

Emergency and Public Services Notification.pdf

Emergency and Public Services Notification List.pdf

Mill Creek MetroParks Website Posting.pdf

Press Release .pdf

News Article - WFMJ.pdf

Public Comments Received and Responses.pdf

News Article - Youngstown Vindicator.pdf