



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DISTRICT 02

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Environmental Document

for

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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: SENECA COUNTY ENGINEER
ODOT District: 2
Funding Source: Federal
Private Funding: No

Project Description:

The Seneca County Engineers Office is proposing to install/update guardrail on various county bridges throughout Seneca County. All work is within the existing right of way and no utilities will be impacted. There will be no impacts to any jurisdictional waterways so no permits from the USACE or OEPA are required. Several locations are within a special flood hazard area, however no floodplain permits are required. One location is within 1000' of the Sandusky River (State Scenic) however, guardrail projects are considered an exempt activity and do not require notification to the ODNR. Several bald eagle nests are also located near some of the project areas. Guardrail projects are exempt from USFWS coordination due to the mobile and non-disruptive nature of the work. District environmental staff accessed the SHPO database on 3/29/2018 and in accordance with Appendix A of the Section 106 PA executed Nov. 8, 2017, the project will not impact historic properties or historic districts. Construction is expected to begin in the fall of 2018 and last approximately 45 days. During construction, a minimum of one lane of traffic will be maintained at all times. The environmental document and associated studies are being approved using Stage 3 Design. A copy of the plans are included in the project file.

STIP Reference # SLI 16

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

Cultural Resources Coordination Date: 11/08/2017

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**



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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 Seneca County Engineers Office Project Designer shall incorporate a plan note requiring the Seneca County Engineers Office and contractor to comply with the notification requirement timeframes outlined in the Traffic Engineering Manual Part 642-58 to ensure compliance with Federal notification requirements.

2) The contractor shall take all precautions to prevent any and all material from going off the edge of bridge deck(s) and edge of culvert(s) during all construction operations. The contractor shall immediately remove through non-mechanical means any material that falls into the roadside ditches, streams, wetlands, or other waters. Under no circumstances shall the contractor work in or store equipment and/or materials in any wetlands, streams, or other waters. No work or staging is permitted below the top of bank of any stream and/or within a wetland.



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Preparers and Approvals

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Approvals & Electronic Signatures

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Appendix

General

Stage 3 Design.pdf

Ecological

Ecological Review Form - Ecologically Exempt Project.pdf

Permits

Local Floodplain Administrator Approval.pdf