



August 14, 2018

Subject: Proposed Butler Warren Road at West Chester Road / Socialville Foster Road
Intersection Improvement (PID 107131)

Dear Property Owner, Tenant, and/or Store Manager:

The Butler County Engineer's Office, in conjunction with the Warren County Engineer's Office, is proposing improvements at the existing offset intersections of Butler Warren Road at West Chester Road and Socialville Foster Road, located in West Chester Township, Butler County, Ohio and Deerfield Township, Warren County, Ohio.

Project Description

The proposed improvement may involve the relocation of the West Chester leg of the intersection to line up with Socialville Foster Road and the possible construction of a single-lane roundabout at the new 4-way intersection. Modern roundabouts have a proven track record of success, eliminate conflict points, act as traffic calming devices, and statistically result in fewer and less serious accidents. Construction is tentatively scheduled for 2021.

Purpose and Need for the Proposed Improvement

The purpose of this project is to improve overall safety at the intersection and address future traffic needs. Based on routine monitoring of the intersection, this location has been identified as an area of increasing concern related to both safety and congestion issues.

Project Development and Local Impact

Within the next few weeks you will begin to see crews in the vicinity of the project area performing preliminary work such as surveying, placing stakes in the ground, marking existing utilities. Accordingly, we wish to advise you that it may be necessary for these crews to enter upon your property to obtain the field data. Our representatives have been instructed to attempt to contact you personally when they first enter upon your property. If you don't reside at your property, please inform the current occupant(s) so that they are aware of the upcoming work.

Section 5517.01 and 163.03 of the Ohio Revised Code authorizes such entries but also requires that reimbursement be made for any actual damage resulting from such work. The consulting crews have received strict instructions concerning the preservation of private property and public lands. If at any time you feel that proper attention has not been given to your property, or should you have questions or concerns, please contact us at BCEO.

As the design process moves forward, right-of-way needs and impacts to properties adjacent to the project will be identified. Should acquisition of new right-of-way be required to accommodate the intersection improvement, the Butler County Engineer's Office will coordinate with individual property owners as these needs are determined.

Construction and Additional Notification

Construction for the project is anticipated to begin in the year 2021. Between now and then, some property owners may receive an additional letter from us concerning specific impacts to their property. Please note that how properties are affected by the project, if at all, won't be known until further along in the design process. Additionally, all residents and businesses located within and near the actual construction zone will receive a notice immediately prior to construction outlining any road closures and maintenance of traffic information.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 11, 2015, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.

Contact Us

BCEO employees or representative crews performing field work, environmental studies, or any pre-construction duties will carry full personal identification; however, they will not necessarily be able to provide specific answers to your questions. They will simply be collecting data necessary for the design and engineering of the project.

Should you have questions, please contact the project manager at the following address, email, or phone number:

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Thank you for your interest and cooperation.

Respectfully,



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