



TO: Residents and Businesses in the Nichols Road Area

DATE: April 9, 2018

Notification of Nichols Road Closing

The Butler County Engineer's Office wishes to inform you that Nichols Road will close 0.5 mile east of Lanes Mill Road and 0.3 mile west of Darrtown Road for a culvert replacement beginning Monday, April 16, 2018. The road is tentatively scheduled to reopen the week of April 23, 2018, weather permitting.

The Project

This project is necessary to replace an aging and deteriorating culvert in an effort to prevent potential future structural failure and maintain proper drainage and water flow. All work is being performed by crews from the Butler County Engineer's Office and funding for the project consists of 100 percent local BCEO Force Account funds.

Detour and Maintenance of Traffic

During this closure, local access to Nichols Road will be maintained for residents and businesses from either side of the culvert, but motorists will not be permitted to pass across the culvert or enter the construction zone. Detours will be posted for all thru traffic.

Eastbound Nichols Road traffic will detour south on Lanes Mill Road, east on Stillwell Beckett Road, and north on Darrtown Road to Nichols. Westbound traffic will reverse this route. **NOTE:** The culvert replacement currently under way on Lanes Mill Road will be completed before this detour goes into effect and Lanes Mill will be reopened.

Please note that all dates are approximate and may vary due to weather and other factors out of our control which can affect the schedule. The best way for local motorists to stay informed is to check the Road Closings page on the BCEO web site at www.bceo.org/roadclosings. Emergency personnel, school bus transportation officials, the post office, and the media have been notified of this upcoming closure.

We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your patience.

Who to Contact

While the BCEO makes every effort to keep residents and businesses in a project area informed, we strongly encourage you to check the Road Closings page on our web site as the best source for possible date and status changes concerning this closure. If you have specific questions about the project, please contact BCEO Operations Deputy Scott Bressler at the Engineer's Office by phone or email: 513-785-4128 or bresslers@bceo.org.

Project Safety

The BCEO would like to emphasize the importance of proper safety measures during actual construction. Every precaution will be taken to make the construction site as safe as possible. However, we do ask that you and your family be aware of the potential hazards associated with work areas such as this. Please advise everyone to keep out of the construction site to reduce the risk of accidents. Your assistance would also be appreciated in reporting any instances of vandalism, including the removal of lights, signs, or barricades. Such acts of vandalism can seriously jeopardize the safety of motorists and pedestrians in the construction area. Please contact our Office or the Butler County Sheriff at 513-785-1300 or 513-424-0469 to report any suspected vandalism.

We realize that construction can create some inconveniences and annoyances, but everything possible will be done to keep these to a minimum during this project. Thanks again for your patience.

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