



Two-lane Resurfacing/Van Wert and Paulding County



Project Name: Resurfacing Project in Van Wert and Paulding Counties, (6355)

Community: Van Wert and Paulding County

Project Description: Repave route SR49 in Van Wert and Paulding County from US30 to the south corporation limit of Payne due to pavement deterioration

Project Sponsor: Ohio Dept. of Transportation

Community Economic Distress Factors: Both Van Wert and Paulding Counties have been designated as both high unemployment rate and low income counties. Van Wert's jobless rate is 13.7% and Paulding County's unemployment rate is 13.4%. The median income for Paulding is \$40,327 and the for Van Wert County it's \$39, 497.

Economic Development Potential: The majority of the land in Paulding County is crop land. Large commercial chicken and cattle farms along with several manufacturers are the county's largest employers. Neighboring Van Wert County is also primarily agricultural. Improving the roadway service will improve efficiency when it comes to getting goods and services to market.

Multi-modal Connectivity/Innovation Factor: The rehabilitation of this pavement is being done for safety and restoration of ride-ability purposes.

Work to Begin: Summer 2009

Estimated Completion: Fall 2009

Stimulus Investment: \$675,237

Total Project Cost: \$861,455