
Project Update

Interstate 75 Reconstruction -- Lima, Allen County



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I-75 northbound one lane on Tuesday, exit ramp to Ohio 65 to close

Interstate 75 from the Auglaize County line to Fourth Street

- Interstate 75 from the Auglaize County line to Fourth Street, through Lima and Allen County, will have occasional lane closures throughout the year during the final year of the reconstruction of the interstate.
- Interstate 75 northbound in the area of the Ohio 65 interchange will be restricted to one lane during most of the day on Tuesday during pouring of concrete for the new railroad bridge structures just east (north) of the Ohio 65 interchange.
- The work is occurring in the contraflow area of the I-75 reconstruction project, located generally north and south of the Ohio 65 interchange area, where two southbound lanes and one northbound lane of traffic are traveling on the southbound side of the interstate, and one northbound lane is traveling on the northbound side of the interstate.
- The work will close the single, northbound lane which will require the closure of the exit ramp from Interstate 75 northbound to Ohio 65.
 - During the closure, traffic will be detoured to Fourth Street to Interstate 75 southbound back to Ohio 65.
- The lane restriction and ramp closure will begin at approximately 8 a.m.
- The entrance ramp from Ohio 65 to Interstate 75 northbound remains closed.
 - Traffic is detoured north on Ohio 65 to the Fourth Street interchange back to I-75 northbound. The ramp is expected to reopen by the end of May.

Interstate 75 from Fourth Street to Ohio 81

- Interstate 75 from Fourth Street to Ohio 81 will be reduced to one lane, both northbound and southbound, one direction at a time, on Wednesday, April 18 and Thursday, April 19 for pavement warranty review. The restriction will begin each day at 8 a.m. and conclude by 2 p.m. Work is being performed by ODOT District 1 construction.

About the I-75 Project Phases:

Project 1 of the Interstate 75 reconstruction project, which is the replacement of the Fourth Street and Reservoir Road bridges over Interstate 75 in Lima, was completed in the spring of 2014. Project 2 reconstructed the existing lanes of Interstate 75 from Fourth Street to just north of Ohio 81 in Lima. This phase also includes the reconstruction of the Fourth Street, Ohio 81 and Ohio 117/309 interchanges; a safety upgrade to Ohio 309 east of the Interstate 75 interchange; and the reconstruction and realignment of Ohio 81 from Neubrecht to Stewart Road. This phase was completed in 2014. Project 3, from the Auglaize County line to Fourth Street, began in 2014. This phase also includes the reconstruction of the Breese Road and Ohio 65 interchanges as well as the replacement of the Hanthorn and McClain Road bridges over Interstate 75. The overall project is scheduled to be completed in 2016.

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