
Project Update

Interstate 75 Reconstruction -- Lima, Allen County



May 23, 2016

I-75 northbound to be restricted beginning tonight, Ohio 65 northbound ramps to intermittently close

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. Current and upcoming impacts to traffic are as follows:

- Traffic on I-75 north and south of the Ohio 65 interchange area continues to travel in a contraflow pattern 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. Traffic will remain in this pattern until late summer.
- Beginning Monday, May 23, the single northbound lane on Interstate 75 through the contraflow area will be closed from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. each day through Thursday, May 26 while embankment work occurs.
 - During the lane closure, the exit ramp from Interstate 75 northbound to Ohio 65 will be closed, also from 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. each of those days.
 - Traffic will be detoured north on Interstate 75 to Fourth Street to Interstate 75 southbound back to Ohio 65.
 - The entrance ramp from Ohio 65 to Interstate 75 northbound will be intermittently closed, also during the hours of 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. each of those days.
 - Traffic will be detoured south on Interstate 75 to Breese Road back to Interstate 75 northbound.
- Beginning May 31 and continuing for approximately three weeks, the single northbound lane on Interstate 75 through the contraflow area will close during the hours of 8 p.m. to 8 a.m. while embankment work occurs.
 - During the lane closure, the entrance ramp from Ohio 65 to northbound Interstate 75 will be intermittently closed, also between the hours of 8 p.m. and 8 a.m.
 - Traffic will be detoured south on Interstate 75 to Breese Road back to Interstate 75 northbound.
 - The exit ramp from northbound Interstate 75 to Ohio 65 will remain open.
- Heavy truck traffic will be present throughout the project for the next several weeks, especially in the area of the Ohio 65 interchange and the Yoder Road area, near the Orthopedic Institute of Ohio

complex.

- Yoder Road is occasionally closed during evening and overnight hours, but generally remains open during the operating hours of the Orthopedic Institute of Ohio.
 - Hanthorn Road over Interstate 75 remains closed until June.
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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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