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## Project Update

Interstate 75 Reconstruction -- Lima, Allen County

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November 13, 2015

## Breese Road and Ohio 65 ramp closures to occur next week

### Interstate 75 between Fourth Street and Cridersville

- Beginning Monday and continuing through Friday of next week (November 16-20), the far right northbound lane on Interstate 75 will be closed from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily for seeding of the road side and installation of signs.
- The lane closure will result in the closure of the northbound entrance and exit ramps at Breese Road, and the northbound exit ramp to Ohio 65. The ramp closures will also occur between the hours of 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. daily next week:
  - Interstate 75 northbound traffic wishing to access Ohio 65 will be detoured north to Fourth Street to Interstate 75 southbound back to Ohio 65.
  - Interstate 75 northbound traffic wishing to access Breese Road will be detoured north to Fourth Street to Interstate 75 southbound back to Breese Road.
  - Breese Road traffic wishing to access Interstate 75 northbound will be detoured south on Interstate 75 to National Road back to Interstate 75 northbound.
- Electronic message boards will communicate the closures.
- Interstate 75 northbound and southbound will continue to be restricted daily to one lane at times for the next several weeks for reconstruction of the interstate.
- Traffic throughout the project area from Cridersville to Fourth Street is traveling in a contraflow pattern with two southbound lanes and one northbound lane traveling on the southbound side of the interstate, separated by concrete barrier, and one northbound lane traveling on the northbound side.

### Yoder Road

- Yoder Road closed November 4 for approximately two months to allow for construction of a retaining wall which will be built between Yoder Road and Interstate 75.
- Access to the Orthopedic Institute of Ohio (OIO) is maintained at the main entrance near Ohio 65. The rear entrance/exit to and from the facility near the railroad tracks will function as an exit-only during the construction.
- Yoder Road will be a one-way road from the railroad to the main entrance where it will resume

two-way traffic operation.

- During this construction, properties located between the railroad and Breese Road will only be accessible from Breese Road.
- Construction of the retaining wall is part of the Interstate 75 reconstruction project.

### **Ohio 65 Interchange**

- The Interstate 75 northbound exit ramp to Ohio 65 will be closed daily November 16-20 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. to allow for seeding of the road side and installation of signs.
  - Interstate 75 northbound traffic wishing to access Ohio 65 will be detoured north to Fourth Street to Interstate 75 southbound back to Ohio 65.
- The Ohio 65 northbound entrance ramp will remain closed.
  - Traffic is detoured north on Ohio 65 to the Fourth Street interchange back to I-75 northbound.

### **Breese Road Interchange**

- The Interstate 75 northbound entrance and exit ramps at Breese Road will be closed daily November 16-20 between the hours of 7 a.m. and 2 p.m. to allow for seeding of the road side and installation of signs.
  - Interstate 75 northbound traffic wishing to access Breese Road will be detoured north to Fourth Street to Interstate 75 southbound back to Breese Road.
  - Breese Road traffic wishing to access Interstate 75 northbound will be detoured south on Interstate 75 to National Road back to Interstate 75 northbound.

#### **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.

Project information may be found on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/ODOTLima75](https://www.facebook.com/ODOTLima75); on Twitter, prefaced with #ODOTLima75, at [https://twitter.com/#!/ODOT\\_NWOhio](https://twitter.com/#!/ODOT_NWOhio); and on the Web at [www.odotlima75.org](http://www.odotlima75.org).

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*Thank you.*

