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## Project Update

Interstate 75 Reconstruction -- Lima, Allen County

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October 23, 2015

## **Yoder Road closure postponed until next week; lane closures to occur between Ohio 309 and Ohio 81; I-75 northbound exit ramp to Ohio 65 to reopen**

### **Yoder Road**

- The closure of Yoder Road has been postponed until the week of October 26. The closure will be in place 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) will be 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.

### **Interstate 75 between Ohio 81 and Ohio 309**

- Interstate 75 southbound between Ohio 81 and Ohio 309 will be restricted to one lane on Wednesday and Thursday of next week, weather permitting, for repair of pavement under warranty.
- Lane closures will occur from approximately 6:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. each day.
- Local law enforcement will assist with traffic control.

### **Interstate 75 between Fourth Street and Cridersville**

- 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.

## **Ohio 65 Interchange**

- The I-75 northbound exit ramp to Ohio 65, which closed October 12 for work to smooth the pavement in the area where I-75 and the ramp connects, is expected to reopen during the week of October 26.
  - Traffic during the closure is detoured to Fourth Street and I-75 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.

### **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](http://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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