



Drainage work causes lane restrictions on U.S. 68/state Route 15

LIMA, Ohio (March 13, 2018) - The following impacts to traffic related to the reconstruction and widening of Interstate 75 through Findlay and Hancock County are scheduled to occur:

U.S. 68/state Route 15 will be reduced to one lane in both directions between Lima Avenue and the Findlay city line, which is just north of West Hobart Avenue, due to drainage work in preparation for road reconstruction. Lane restrictions for the drainage work begin today, March 13, and will continue through early next week. All exit and entrance ramps will remain open at Lima Avenue. Additional lane restrictions for reconstruction in the same area of U.S. 68/state Route 15 are expected soon.

About the Hancock I-75 project:

Interstate 75 will be reconstructed and widened beginning just south of Harrison Street/County Road 144, which is just south of the U.S. Route 68/state Route 15 interchange, to the county Road 99 interchange, Findlay, Hancock County. The project will reconstruct approximately five miles of the existing four lanes of Interstate 75, construct an additional lane of travel in each direction, replace all mainline bridges on I-

75, replace the Harrison Street overpass, redesign and reconstruct the interchange between U.S. 68/state Route 15 and Interstate 75, and redesign and reconstruct the interchange with U.S. 68/state Route 15 at Lima Avenue. The project also includes the construction of noise walls at particular locations. Expected completion is August 2020. Beaver Excavating, Canton, serves as the general contractor.

Project information may be found at: <http://tinyurl.com/hancock75>

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The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for these projects are being, or have been, carried out by ODOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 11, 2015, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.