

Having trouble viewing this email? [View it as a Web page.](#)



OHIO DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION

PROJECT UPDATE

Dates to note:

Tonight (July 18)

- I-75 lanes shift to southbound side

July 23-25

-
- I-75 northbound restricted overnight, temporary traffic stops to occur

July 31, August 1-2

- I-75 northbound restricted overnight, temporary traffic stops to occur

Lima Avenue closure delayed until September



Interstate 75 lanes shift tonight, bridge beam setting to affect traffic next week

LIMA, Ohio (*July 18, 2018*) - The following impacts to traffic related to the reconstruction and widening of Interstate 75 through Findlay and Hancock County are scheduled to occur:

INTERSTATE 75

Interstate 75, both northbound and southbound throughout the project, from just south of Harrison Street to county Road 99, is occasionally restricted to one lane during nighttime hours only, generally between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. for pavement reconstruction and widening. Two lanes of traffic in each direction are maintained during daytime hours.

- **On July 18, I-75 will be affected as follows:**
 - I-75 in both directions will be restricted to one lane between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. for a traffic shift. All lanes of I-75 between Sandusky Street and U.S. 68/state Route 15 will be shifted onto the southbound side during reconstruction and widening of the northbound lanes.
- **On July 23-25, I-75 will be affected as follows:**
 - I-75 northbound will be restricted to one lane between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. for setting of bridge beams over the mainline lanes.
 - I-75 in both directions will be temporarily stopped in short intervals between midnight and 5 a.m.
- **On July 31, and August 1-2, I-75 will be affected as follows:**
 - I-75 northbound will be restricted to one lane between 9 p.m. and 7 a.m. for setting of bridge beams over the mainline lanes.
 - I-75 in both directions will be temporarily stopped in short intervals between midnight and 5 a.m.
- Access to exit and entrance ramps is maintained, except at U.S. 224 where the northbound ramps are currently closed for reconstruction.
- By the end of this year, I-75 from U.S. 224 to county Road 99 will be traveling on three lanes in each direction on intermediate pavement. The final layer of pavement will not be placed until next year.

U.S. 68/STATE ROUTE 15

U.S. 68/state Route 15 is reduced to one lane in both directions between Lima Avenue and the city of Findlay, which is just north of West Hobart Avenue, for drainage work and road reconstruction.

- The route will remain restricted to one lane throughout the summer.

U.S. 224 INTERCHANGE

The northbound entrance and exit ramps to and from I-75 from U.S. 224 closed July 9 for reconstruction.

- The entrance ramp from U.S. 224 to I-75 northbound is closed for approximately 30 days. Traffic detoured onto I-75 southbound to the state Route 12 interchange back to I-75 northbound.

- The exit ramp from I-75 northbound to U.S. 224 is closed for approximately 60 days. Traffic will be detoured to the county Road 99 interchange to I-75 southbound back to U.S. 224.

STATE ROUTE 12 INTERCHANGE

All ramps at the state Route 12 interchange with Interstate 75 are currently open.

- Closures of the northbound ramps are anticipated to occur in September.

U.S. 68/STATE ROUTE 15 INTERCHANGE

The exit ramp from Interstate 75 northbound to U.S. 68/state Route 15 (exit 156) closed June 2017 for approximately three years.

- Traffic is detoured north to the state Route 12 interchange to Interstate 75 southbound back to U.S. 68/state Route 15. ([see map](#))

LIMA AVENUE

Work on a future roundabout is currently occurring in the infield at Lima Avenue with no effect to traffic.

- **The closure of Lima Avenue has been delayed until September. The following traffic impacts will occur when the closure is in place:**
 - Lima Avenue traffic will not be permitted to travel east or west beneath U.S. 68/state Route 15.
 - No access from U.S. 68 southbound to Lima Avenue eastbound or from U.S. 68 northbound to Lima Avenue westbound will be possible.
 - All four ramps at Lima Avenue will remain open. Overnight or weekend closures will be necessary later in the year.
 - Lima Avenue is expected to reopen in September 2019.
- Logan Avenue and Byal Avenue are affected by the construction at Lima Avenue as follows:
 - Logan Avenue is closed until late July.
 - Byal Avenue closed in July for approximately one year.

NOISE WALLS

Construction of noise walls will resume the week of July 23 on the northbound side of the interstate between Bigelow Avenue and county Road 99.

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>

ODOT contact information:

Rob White, P.E., construction project engineer
419-999-6882; robert.white@dot.state.oh.us

ODOT District 1 public information office
419-999-6803; D01.PIO@dot.ohio.gov

The Ohio Department of Transportation maintains the state's largest man-made asset - the transportation system. ODOT's mission is to provide the safe and easy movement of people and goods from place to place. As a \$2.8 billion per year enterprise, ODOT invests the bulk of its resources in system preservation through maintenance, construction and snow and ice operations.



Know Before You Go!

For more detailed traffic information, and to get personalized traffic alerts for your commute, download the OHGO app or visit [OHGO.com](https://www.ohgo.com).

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.