



**State Route (SR) 11/SR 305 Improvement Project
Public Involvement Meeting
October 7, 2010**

**Summary of Public Comments and Responses to
Comments**

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PID 76409**

December 28, 2010

An open house public involvement meeting was conducted for the project on October 7, 2010, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Trumbull County Agriculture & Family Education Center located at 520 W. Main Street, Cortland, Ohio. Environmental studies and displays were presented to the public depicting the proposed SR 11/SR 305 improvement project. Representatives from the Ohio Department of Transportation and Eastgate Regional Council of Governments were available to discuss the project and address questions.

Public officials, business/property owners and interested citizens were invited to attend the public involvement meeting by direct letter, dated September 24, 2010. The general public was informed of the meeting by news release in the local newspapers (The Youngstown Vindicator and Warren Tribune) and through coverage on local television and radio stations resulting from a news release issued by ODOT, District 4 Office of Public Information on September 24, 2010.

Seven (7) people attended the open house public involvement meeting. An informational handout was provided to all attendees along with a comment form for written comments. Oral comments and questions were addressed by representatives from the Ohio Department of Transportation and Eastgate Regional Council of Governments.

Two (2) oral comments were received during the public involvement meeting. One (1) area resident expressed concern regarding the need for fencing on the Cadwallader Sonk Road bridge structure over SR 11. Albert E. Crabbs, Fowler Township Trustee, inquired about the maintenance responsibilities of the 60" corrugated metal culvert located beneath Cadwallader Sonk Road west of the Cadwallader Sonk Road bridge structure over SR 11.

Bridge Fencing - ODOT analyzed the need for fencing at this location. Based on that analysis, no fencing is warranted for the Cadwallader Sonk Road bridge structure over SR 11.

Culvert Maintenance - The Ohio Revised Code only permits ODOT to use funding on the state highway system. The ruling on overpasses is that the Cadwallader Sonk Road bridge structure over SR 11 is considered part of the state highway system. The approach roadway, pavement, embankment and drainage system is the responsibility of Fowler Township. ODOT will not perform any work on the 60" corrugated metal culvert located beneath Cadwallader Sonk Road west of the Cadwallader Sonk Road bridge structure over SR 11.

Additionally, two (2) written comments were received during the public involvement meeting and the public comment period that concluded on October 28, 2010.

The following is a summary of the received written comments and responses to the comments submitted during the public comment period.

No.	Comment	Response
Mike Wilson, Trumbull County Soil & Water Conservation District (comment sheet) 10-7-2010		
1	<p>Supports the proposed project.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Appreciates the effort from ODOT to relieve flooding problems on the SE quadrant of the SR 11/SR 305 interchange. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Based on a field review of the SE quadrant of the SR 11/SR 205 interchange conducted by ODOT, District 4 Environmental Section and Highway Management personnel on January 3, 2011, no beaver dam was observed at the SR 305 on-ramp to southbound SR 11, which could present a flooding problem for SR 11. Therefore, it is ODOT's opinion that no further action is required at this location.
David Cadwallader (comment sheet) 10-7-2010		
2	<p>Had "no opinion" on the proposed project.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Looking to the east and west along SR 305 from the northbound off-ramp to SR 305 there is a sight distance problem. Eastbound and westbound SR 305 traffic is upon you too quickly to make a safe turning movement onto SR 305 in either direction. According to the displays presented at the public involvement meeting, the new bridge deck at SR 305 over SR 11 will be over a foot higher at its crest. In my opinion, this will further reduce the sight distance and increase the safety hazard at this location. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The sight distance at the SR 11 northbound exit ramp/SR 305 intersection was analyzed and determined to meet the design speed of 45 mph for SR 305.