EXHIBIT A – TEMPLATE OF PUBLIC EXPLANATION TO BE POSTED (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE DOCUMENT PREPARER)

SUMMARY OF FLOODPLAIN IMPACTS

Date: January 19, 2018

Project ID: FRA-Cosgray Road Extension  PID: 90989

Floodplain Affected: Clover Groff Stream Ditch (AE & X)

Description of Project:
The proposed project involves the extension of existing Cosgray Road from Scioto Darby Road to Alton and Darby Creek Road in the City of Hilliard, Franklin County, Ohio. The project includes improvements to the existing intersection of Cosgray Road with Scioto Darby Road and a new intersection at Alton and Darby Creek Road. The proposed roadway will consist of four travel lanes, two in each direction, bicycle lanes and multi-use paths. Lane groups would be separated by a bioswale median. Two roundabout intersections are proposed. One would provide access to adjacent city recreational facilities (soccer complex), and a retail/office development. The second would provide the new intersection with Alton and Darby Creek Road. The Cosgray Road/Scioto Darby Road intersection would be improved with the addition of a southbound through lane and dual westbound left turn lanes. A split raised median on the west leg would facilitate safe pedestrian crossing of Scioto Darby Road. Only preliminary design plans have been completed to date. The project will comply with all applicable Local, State, and Federal Floodplain protection standards when completed.

Why must this project be located in the Floodplain?
This project extends Cosgray Road from the existing intersection at Scioto Darby Road to create a continuous north-south route between Scioto Darby Road and Alton & Darby Road. Currently, north-south motorists must navigate through two intersections on Scioto Darby Road to continue their trip, traveling nearly ½ mile in an east-west direction. The Cosgray Road Extension project will remove this “dog-leg” reducing congestion and improving safety. The only location for the north south continuous connection is in the floodplain as it needs to connect to two existing roadways.

What alternative sites were considered, if any?
Alternative sites are not available for consideration as the project must connect between two existing roadways to meet the purpose of reducing congestion and improving safety.

Were any mitigation measures utilized on this project? If so, please describe.
Mitigation measures will be determined during detailed design.

To the best of my knowledge, this project has complied with all applicable Local, State, and Federal Floodplain protection standards.

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