

# OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



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The update is a general guide to the construction operations on **the I-75/Central Ave./Dixie Ave. Interchange**. Any timeframes listed within are subject to change without notice due to changing weather or field conditions. This information will be updated monthly or as needed.

## July 2012

**Interstate 75, Dryden Rd., Central Ave. and Dixie Dr.** – Work on the new ramps from I-75 to Dixie Dr. will be completed this month. After placing the final course of asphalt, installing guardrail and finishing the installation of the traffic signals, these ramps are expected to open around July 6<sup>th</sup> or shortly thereafter. At the same time, Dixie Dr. is expected to re-open under I-75 allowing both eastbound and westbound traffic to access both northbound and southbound I-75. In late June the southbound lanes moved to the exterior half of the southbound side of I-75 so reconstruction of the interior half can take place. This is the last major traffic pattern switch before completing the project.

Along Central Ave. at the west end of the project, traffic has been shifted to the new pavement allowing the contractor to replace the remaining portion of the roadway here. Several electrical crews are working throughout the project to build the signals at the four new intersections on the project and erecting new highway lighting. When the interchange opens, traffic will no longer be using Dixie Dr. near the railroad tracks, allowing the contractor to remove and replace this section of roadway. This road will provide access to Exeter Rd. upon completion of the project.

**Structures** – With traffic switched to the exterior half of southbound I-75, bridge crews will be working on the southbound I-75 structures over Dixie Dr., Central Ave. and Hole's Creek. Their initial work will consist of removal of the existing approach slabs and portions of some of the bridges. The new overlays will be placed on these bridge decks in the latter half of July or early August. Bridge painting remains on only the bridge over the railroad. This work should be performed next month.



Looking west from I-75 at the new intersection of Dixie Dr. and the southbound ramps



The new ramp from southbound I-75 to Dixie Dr. looking west from I-75



The new southbound I-75 bridge over Dixie Dr.



The future eastbound Dixie Dr. approaching the bridge over Hole's Creek with the Dryden Rd. intersection in the background

## **Ramps**

### **Permanently Closed**

None

### **Temporarily Closed**

The following ramps are currently closed:

- Northbound I-75 to Dixie Dr. (expected to re-open mid-June)
- Southbound I-75 to Central Ave. (expected to re-open early July)

### **Upcoming Closures**

None

## **Estimated Upcoming Milestones**

Current Completion Date = October 2012

The project is 71% complete.