

Appendix C

Public Involvement

The TIP/ STIP Review and Comment Period was held March 31, 2003 – April 11, 2003. Below is a copy of the retail advertisement placed in the Springfield News – Sun March 30, 2003 and April 7, 2003. To the right is a copy of the press release that was displayed on the ODOT website. To the far right is a copy of the ODOT District 7 legal noticed placed in all regional newspapers on March 24, 2003 and March 31, 2003.

**TRANSPORTATION
IMPROVEMENT
PROGRAM**

Informational Open House

Take this opportunity to review and provide your comments on projects listed in the 2004 – 2007 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Clark County.

When: Monday, April 7, 2003
3:00p.m. – 6:00p.m.

Where: Gaier Meeting Room
Clark County Public Library
201 South Fountain Avenue, Springfield


Public Review & Comment Period

March 31, 2003 – April 11, 2003

The final drafts of the State Transportation Improvement Program and the Transportation Improvement Program of each of the 16 Ohio Metropolitan Planning Organizations are available at the Clark County – Springfield TCC office, located on the 4th floor of Springfield City Hall, 76 E. High St. All transportation projects throughout the state which will utilize federal funding are listed in these documents. Public review is encouraged.

The Clark County – Springfield Transportation Improvement Program is also available at the following location in Clark County: All library branches, all city, township and village halls, BMV offices and Elderly United.

For further information or special accommodations contact Thea Walsh at 324-7752 or twalsh@ci.springfield.oh.us.



CLARK COUNTY-SPRINGFIELD
TRANSPORTATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE

ODOT Presents Four-Year Transportation Program to Public

COLUMBUS – The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will hold a series of meetings across the state from March 31 to April 11 to gather public input about the state's four-year transportation program.

The ODOT Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is a federally mandated planning document that details how the department and Ohio Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO's) will distribute transportation funding throughout Ohio. The program identifies highway, transit, rail, bikeway and other transportation projects to be funded during the period. Federal law also requires that the STIP be balanced against expected revenues.

To support an effort to inform and involve the public about the program, each of the 12 ODOT district offices will hold local public meetings to discuss the program and accept comments. The program is also available for public review and comment from March 31 to April 11 during normal business hours at each ODOT district office, all 16 MPO's in Ohio and at the ODOT Central Office in Columbus.

Public comments will be evaluated and reflected in the final STIP. If there are significant changes between the draft and the final document, there will be an additional opportunity for public review before the STIP is submitted to the federal government. The final STIP must be submitted to the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration for final approval May 28.

Courtesy of the ODOT website

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**NOTICE OF
AVAILABILITY TO THE
PUBLIC STATE OF OHIO
DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION
Columbus, Ohio**

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) hereby notifies all interested persons that the proposed FY 2004-2007 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) will be available for review and comment at twenty-nine locations throughout the state. These locations are the Planning and Programming Administrator's Office in each of the twelve ODOT District Offices, the ODOT Central Office of Urban and Corridor Planning located in Columbus, Ohio and each of the sixteen Ohio Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Offices during normal business hours from March 31, 2003 to April 11, 2003. The STIP identifies the statewide program of highway and transit maintenance and new capacity; and bicycle and other transportation related projects that will be implemented throughout the State over the next 4 year. The ODOT District Office serving your area is located at 1001 Saint Marys Avenue, Sidney, Ohio (937-492-1141). To facilitate the STIP review, the District Office will be holding several open houses: Wednesday April 2, 2003 at the Darke County Nature Center, 4267 State Route 502, Greenville; Tuesday, April 8, 2003 at the Calvary Baptist Church, 1140 Rush Avenue, Bellefontaine; and Wednesday, April 9, 2003 at the ODOT Shelby County Garage, 2190 State Route 99, Sidney. All meetings will be held from 2:30 PM to 6:30 PM. The MPO serving the Clark County area is the Clark County-Springfield Transportation Coordinating Committee (937-324-7751) located at 76 East High Street, Springfield, Ohio. The MPO serving the Greene-Miami-Montgomery County area is the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (937-223-4323) located at 40 West Fourth Centre, Suite 400, Dayton, Ohio. Any comments concerning the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program should be in written form and transmitted to: Ms. Suzann Gad, Administrator Office of Urban and Corridor Planning, 2nd Floor Ohio Department of Transportation 1980 West Broad Street Columbus, Ohio 43223. Written comments must be received by the close of business on April 14, 2003.

GORDON PROCTOR
DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION
March 24, 31, 2003

**Summary
of
Written Public Comment**

PID #75853 – SR 334 @ Derr Road

One commenter supported the construction of access from SR 334 to Derr Road.

PID #19713 – SR 235-0.00 Bridge Replacements (2)

One commenter said there are no existing bridges at this location. In reply, the bridges span an existing branch of Mud Run.

PID #24257 – US 68-0.08 Signal Installation

One commenter opposed the installation of the traffic signal at Young's Jersey Dairy.

PID #24483 – CR 327-0.00 WESTCO Railroad Bridge over Upper Valley Pike.

One commenter opposed replacement of the bridge with a bridge designed to meet the current design standard for vertical clearance over the roadway below, as the replacement bridge will allow trucks to use Upper Valley Pike.

One commenter requested traffic improvements at the SR 4, US 40, US 68, Upper Valley Pike interchange area. In reply, this location is an ODOT "hot spot". Efforts are in process to obtain SPR funds for the planning study. This area also involves PID #24483 Railroad Bridge Replacement, as the bridge replacement project will allow for future roadway improvements between US 40 and Shrine Road.

Other Comments

One commenter opposed the proposed interchange on I-70 at Burnett Road.

One commenter requested flashing lights on SR 72 (Limestone Street) for the school zone at South High School. In reply, this comment has been forwarded to the Springfield City Engineer.