



PUBLIC MEETING COMMENT FORM

I-475 East/West Widening, US 23 to Douglas Road Feasibility Study

LUC-475-9.60, PID 108778

Wednesday, August 12, 2020 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Submitter Name: _____
Mailing Address: _____
Email Address: _____
Organization/Business: _____
Business Address: _____

**Contact information is not required but will ensure you are included on the response to comments and will allow us to contact you if additional information is needed.*

How did you hear about this meeting? (Please select all that apply):

☐ Newspaper Ad/Notice ☐ Mailed Letter ☐ TV or Radio ☐ Church ☐ Word-of-Mouth
☐ ODOT Website ☐ Social Media ☐ Email ☐ Other _____

What is your interest in the proposed project? (Please select all that apply)

☐ I own or rent property near the project
☐ I work near the project
☐ I visit [local park] for recreation
☐ I will use the new [facility] for transportation
☐ Other (Please describe) _____

Do you have any specific comments on the project?

Do you anticipate any issues with walking in the area during construction?

General Comments (If more space is needed, please attach additional sheets):

Comments may be submitted:

- During the virtual meeting – visit the website below to join
- By using the green “Leave A Comment” box on our website:
<https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odot/projects/projects/108778>
- Text Q703 to 73224
- By email to Ben.Cordes@dot.ohio.gov
- By telephone to Ben Cordes at (419) 373-4467
- By mail (Please see mailing address on the next page)

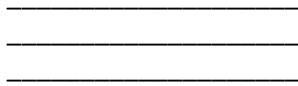


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We appreciate your interest and value your input. Materials presented during the virtual meeting may be viewed at the website (green link above) or by following using this code

Please provide all comments by September 11, 2020.

Thank you!
Fold and tape to mail. No envelope needed.



Ben Cordes
District 2 Planner
Ohio Department of Transportation – District 2
317 East Poe Road
Bowling Green, OH 43402



Virtual Public Meeting



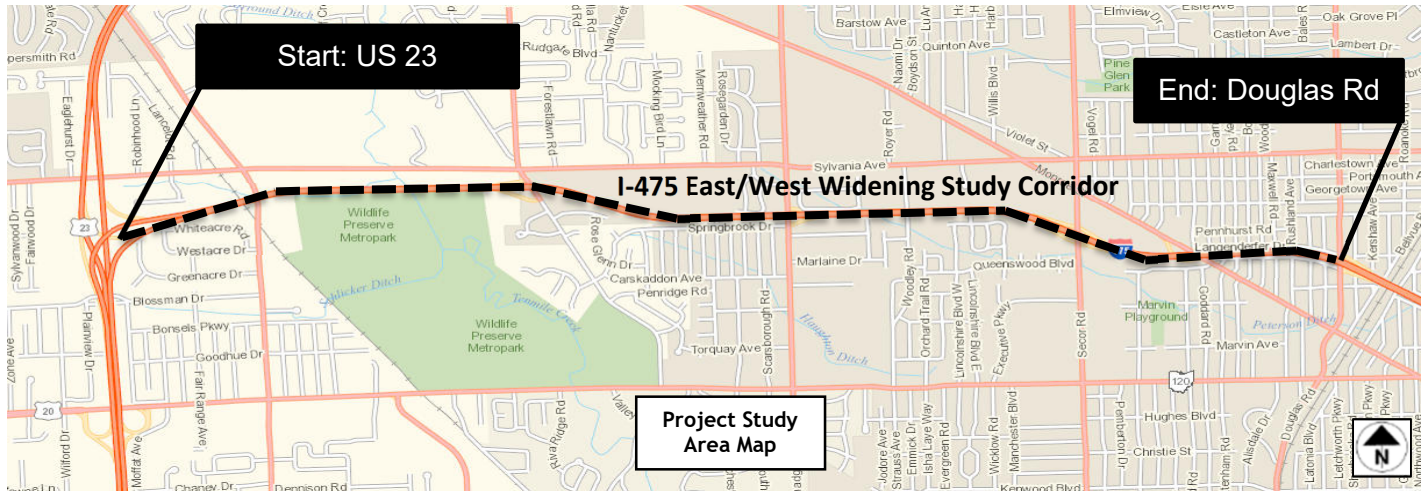
I-475 EAST/WEST WIDENING FEASIBILITY STUDY - US 23 TO DOUGLAS ROAD

August 12, 2020 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Presentation at 4:00 pm at this website:

<https://transportation.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odot/projects/projects/108778>

or call 855-925-2801 code 9300



Project Purpose

- Reduce congestion along I-475 during peak periods.
- Increase safety along I-475.
- Improve design deficiencies, as necessary.
- Consider full interchange at Talmadge Road.

Please join us!
We look forward to
talking with you on
August 12th!

Submit Questions and Comments by September 11, 2020 to:

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419-373-4467

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Online at link above in green or identical link in square here



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INFORMATIONAL HANDOUT

PUBLIC MEETING

August 12, 2020 4:00-5:00 pm

I-475 East/West Widening Feasibility Study - US 23 to Douglas Road

Sylvania Township, City of Toledo, Lucas County, Ohio

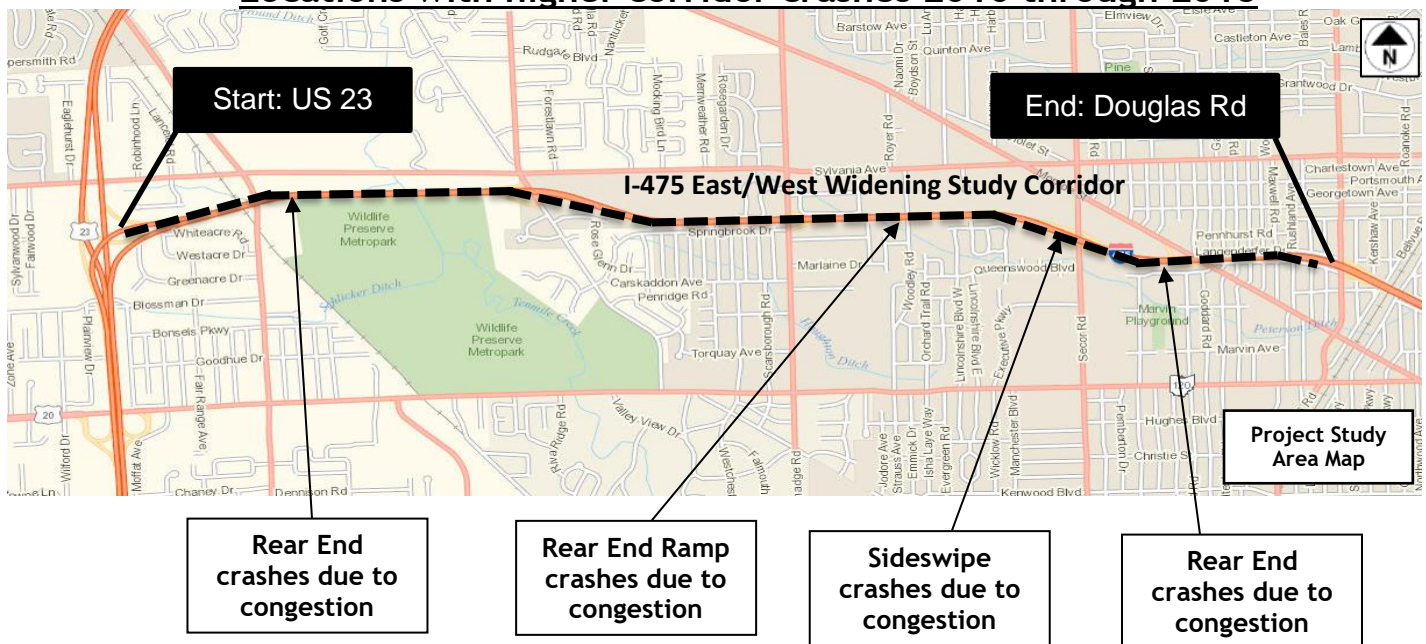
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Purpose and Need of Study

- Reduce congestion along I-475 during peak periods.
- Decrease crashes along I-475.
- Improve design deficiencies as necessary.
- Consider Full Interchange at Talmadge Road and changes it could cause

Locations with higher corridor crashes 2016 through 2018



AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC (ADT)

- 72,000 vehicles per day = 2019 ADT for this section of I-475
- Traffic is heavier EB in the AM and heavier in the WB in the PM
- Traffic volumes are expected to increase with new commercial, industrial, and residential development
- Increased traffic volumes increase crash potential

CRASH STATISTICS

- 328 total crashes (2016 through 2018)
- 74% are property damage only
- 68% are rear end or sideswipe
- 66% occur in daylight
- 63% occur on dry pavement
- 12% occur on curves

I-475 Alternatives

NO BUILD

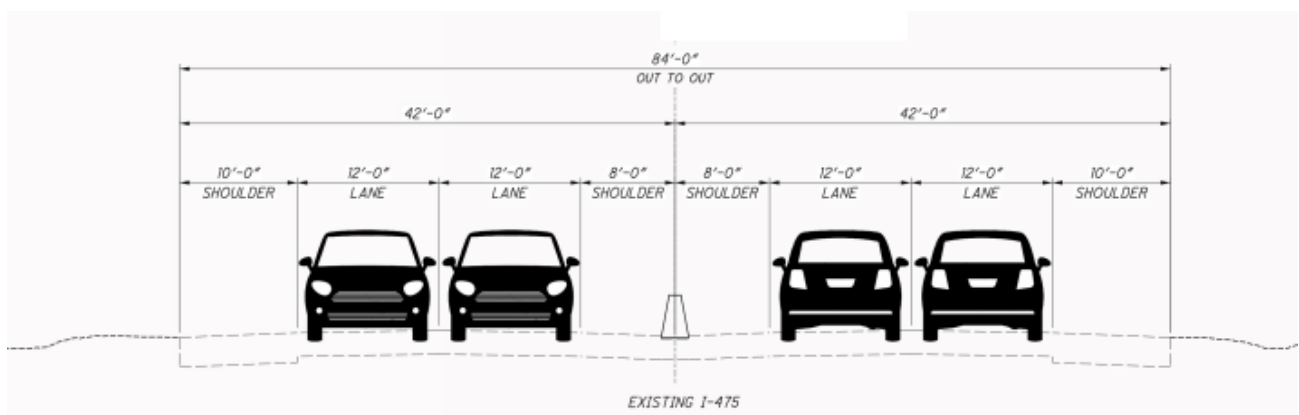
- Does not change current condition
- Does not improve congestion
- Does not reduce crashes
- Does not improve safety
- Does not improve design efficiencies
- Does not meet Purpose and Need
- NOT A FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE



I-475 Eastbound AM Peak

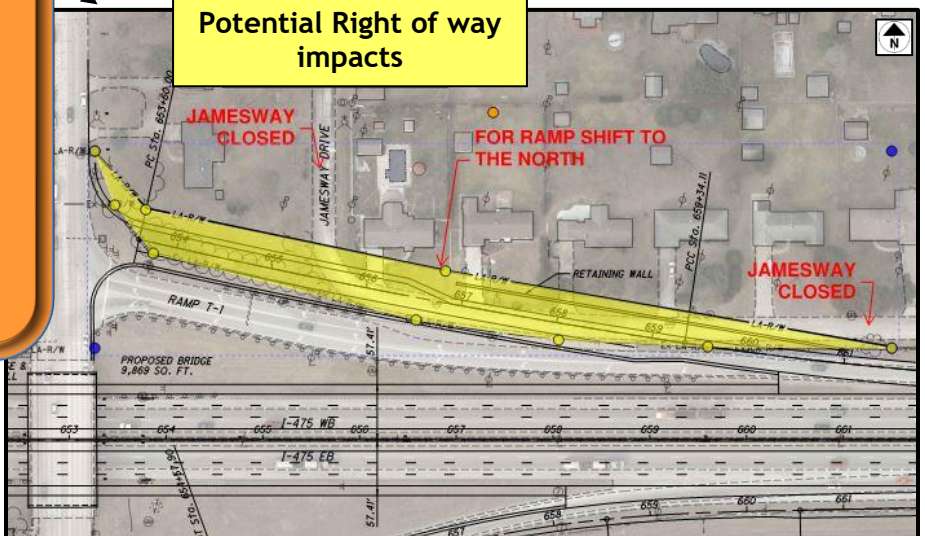
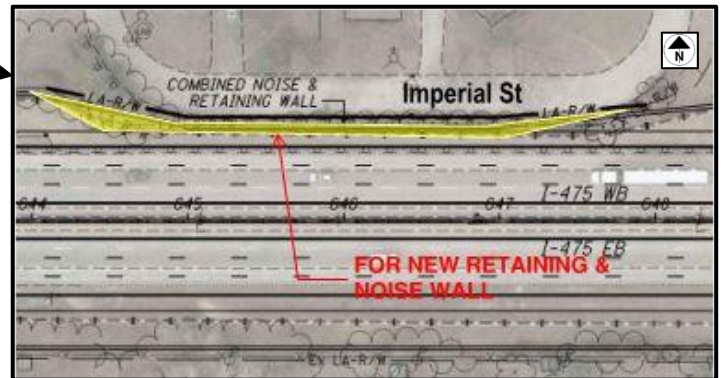
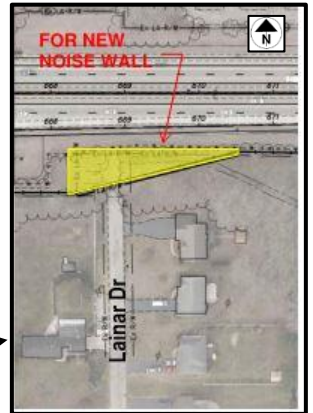
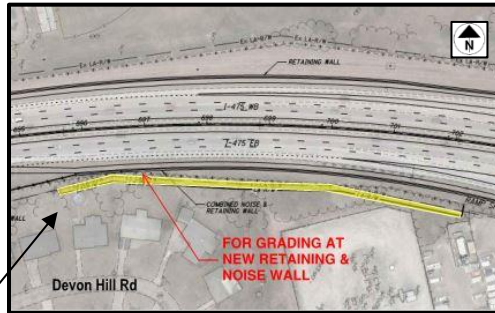


I-475 Westbound AM Peak

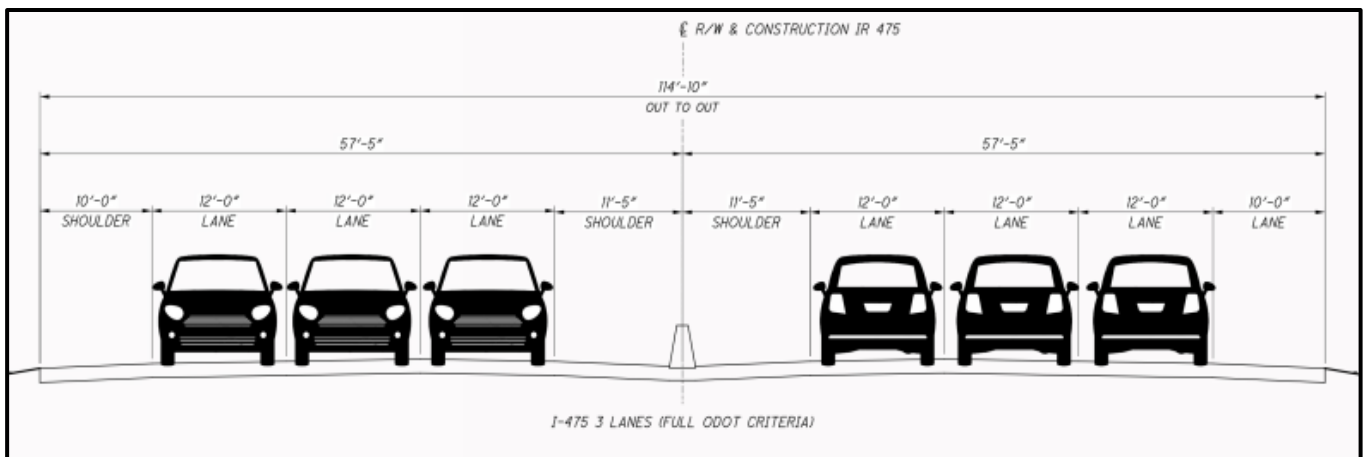


THREE LANES

- Three lanes all the time
- Improves I-475 Congestion
- Improves I-475 Safety
- Wider Median Shoulder than existing (can be used to maintain traffic when crashes occur)
- Meets Purpose and Need
- 13 properties impacted
- New retaining and noise walls require additional right of way (new noise wall areas would be evaluated and, if able to move forward, then communities would vote)
- Potential westbound Talmadge Road exit ramp shift due to wider I-475 pavement
 - Jamesway Dr impacted north and east of new Talmadge Rd ramp
- FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE - RECOMMENDED
- \$136M with new pavement top
- \$154M with new pavement top and pavement base

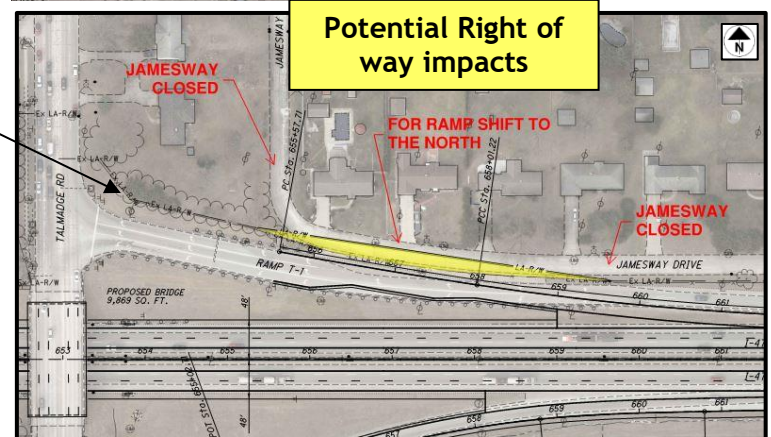
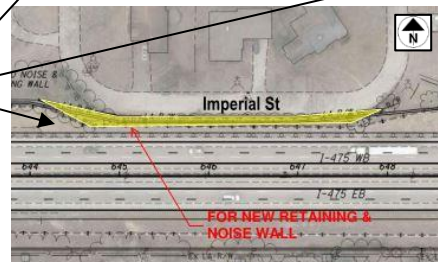
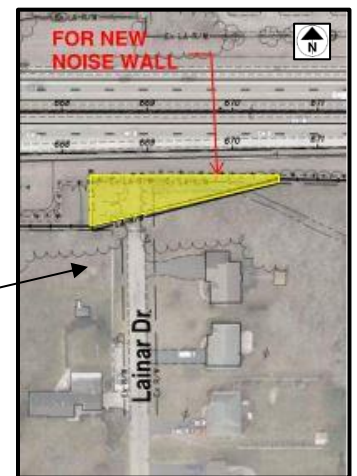
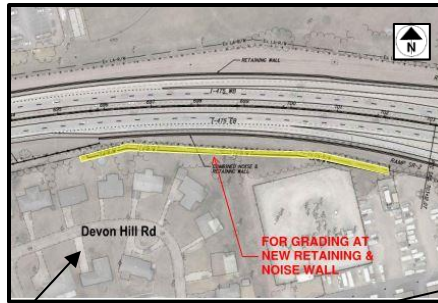


Potential Right of way impacts



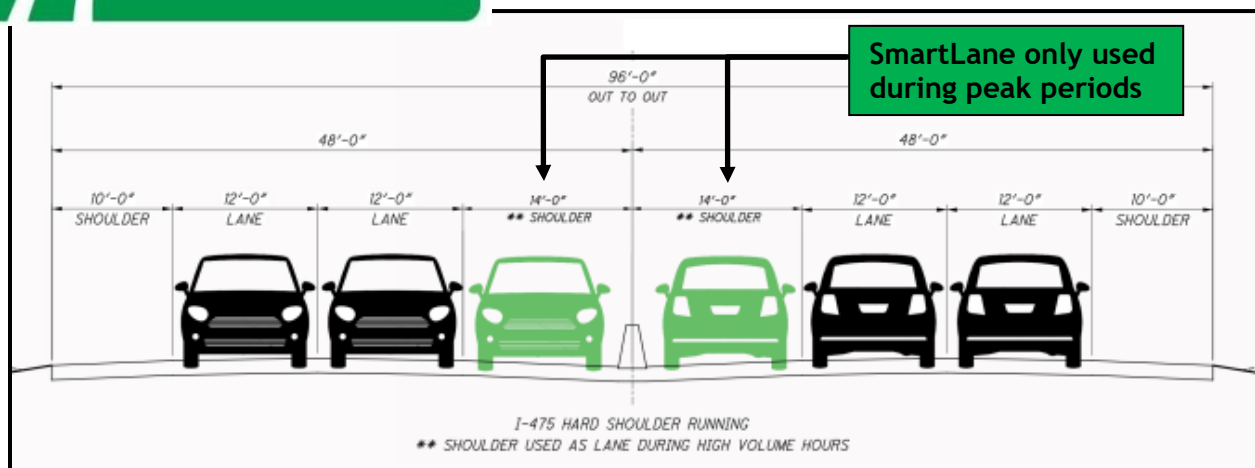
SMART LANE

- Three lanes during peak periods
- Improves I-475 Congestion
- Improves I-475 Safety
- Wider Median Shoulder
- Less widening to outside
- Meets Purpose and Need
- New retaining and noise walls require additional right of way (new noise wall areas would be evaluated and, if able to move forward, then communities would vote)
- Less potential westbound Talmadge Road exit ramp shift due to wider I-475 pavement
 - Jamesway Dr impacted north and east of new Talmadge Rd ramp
- Less right of way impacts compared to 3 Lanes
- 9 properties impacted
- Significant traffic control costs
- ODOT must observe traffic levels on roadway and in SmartLane via video
- **FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE - NOT RECOMMENDED**
- \$161M with new pavement top
- \$175M with new pavement top and pavement base



RED X: SmartLane is closed

GREEN ARROW: SmartLane is open



Talmadge Road Full Interchange Options

Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)

Improves Congestion on Talmadge Rd

Reduces Crashes on Talmadge Rd

Improved pedestrian/biking facilities

High costs/impacts compared to benefit

Potential impacts shown in graphic are estimated

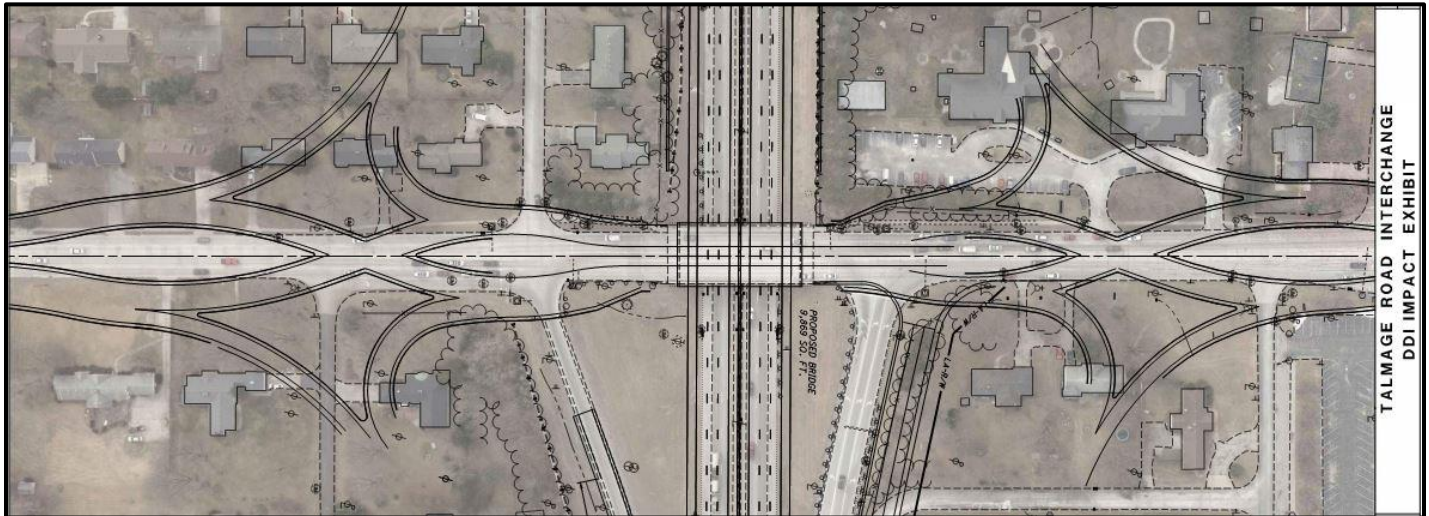
NOTE: FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE - NOT RECOMMENDED

50+ residential properties impacted

6+ commercial properties impacted

Westbound Corey traffic still exits here

Similar to I-475/SR 25 (Perrysburg)



Roundabout Interchange

Improves Congestion on Talmadge Rd

Reduces Crashes on Talmadge Rd

Improved pedestrian/biking facilities

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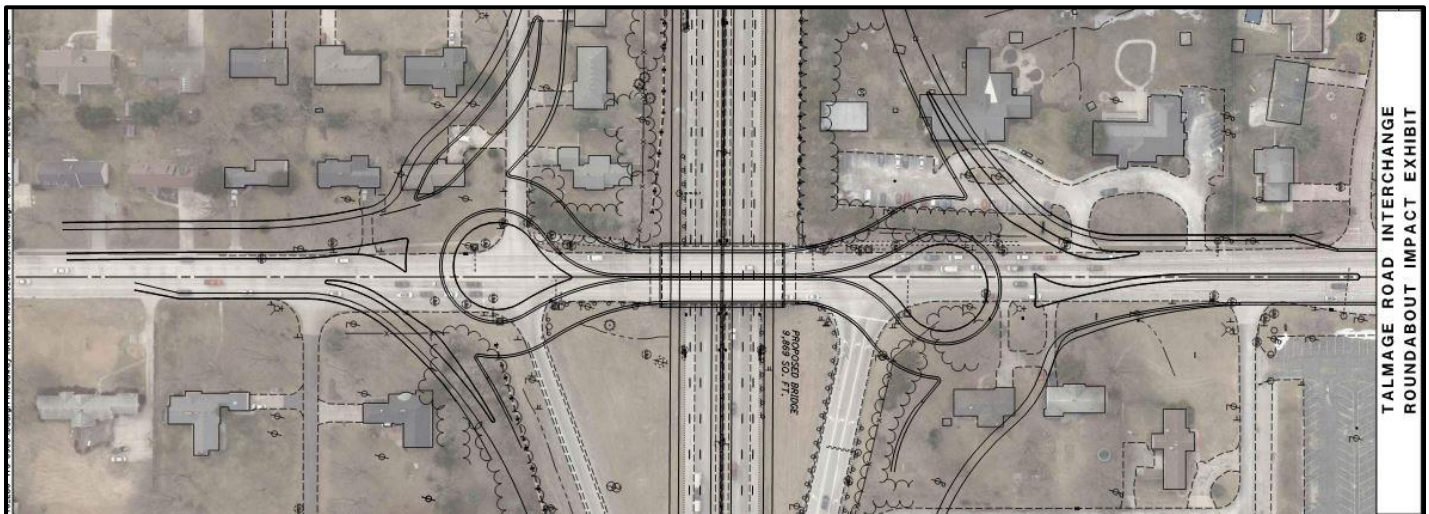
NOTE: FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE - NOT RECOMMENDED

35+ residential properties impacted

1+ commercial properties impacted

Westbound Corey traffic still exits here

Similar to I-75/Wooster St (Bowling Green)



Tight Urban Diamond Interchange (TUDI)

Improves Congestion on Corey Rd

Reduces Crashes at Corey Rd

Improved pedestrian/biking facilities

High costs/impacts compared to benefit

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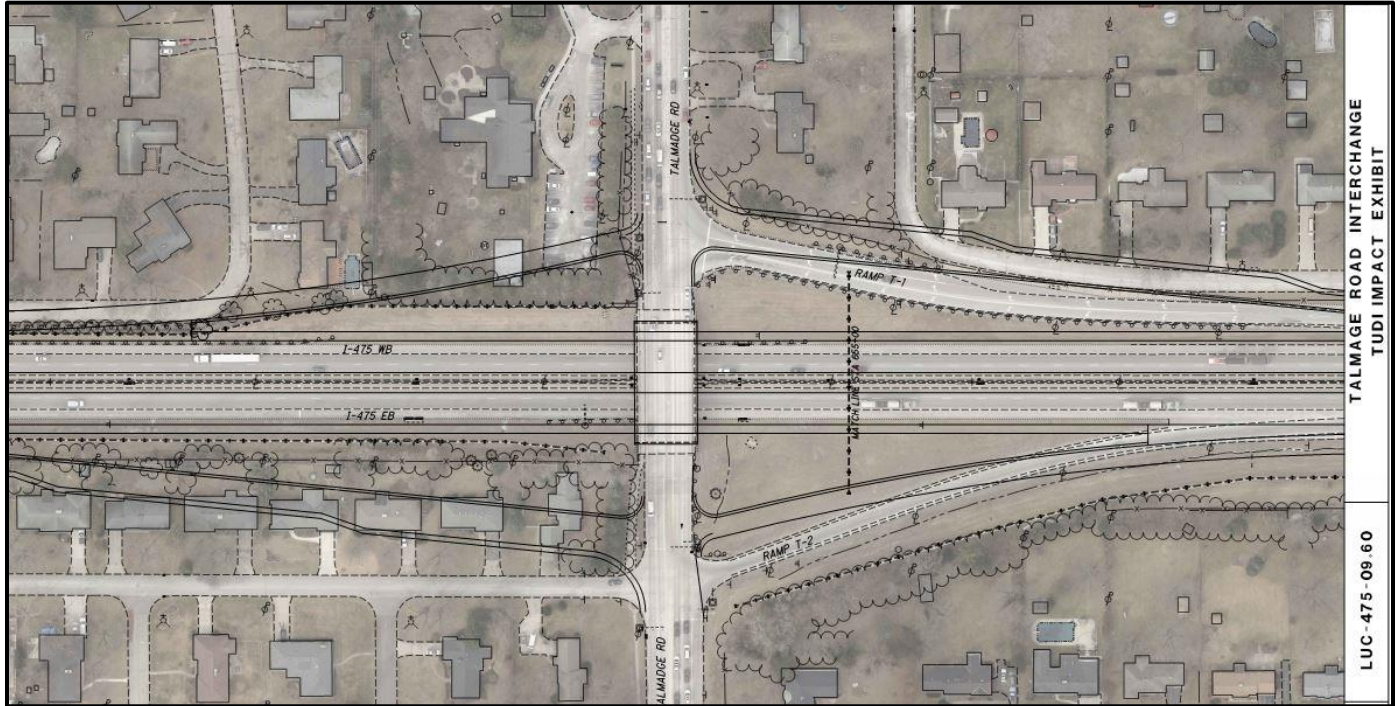
NOTE: FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE - NOT RECOMMENDED

26+ residential properties impacted

1+ commercial properties impacted

Westbound Corey traffic still exits here

Similar to I-475/Secor but narrower



Project Schedule

- Comment Period Ends September 11, 2020
- Feasibility Study Finalized October 9, 2020
- This project is not yet funded, so there is no construction scheduled.

Submit Questions and Comments

- Mail: Ben Cordes, ODOT - District 2
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- Phone: 419-373-4467
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317 East Poe Rd., Bowling Green, OH 43402-1330

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July 12, 2020

RE: I-475 East/West Widening, US 23 to Douglas Rd - Feasibility Study Virtual Public Meeting
LUC-475-9.60, PID 108778

Dear Interested Party,

In order to protect the health of all Ohio citizens, and in accordance with the executive orders issued by the Governor of the State of Ohio and the Director of the Ohio Department of Health, the Ohio Department of Transportation would like to invite you to a public meeting to explore options to address safety and congestion concerns on Interstate 475 (I-475) between US 23 and Douglas Rd, in Lucas County, Ohio. An analysis, called a Feasibility Study, has been performed that investigates different options for widening I-475 in this area as well as options for a full interchange at Talmadge Road. The meeting will be held **virtually Wednesday, August 12, 2020 from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM with a project presentation at 4:00 PM.**

The purpose of the meeting is to explain the overall proposed project, present the preliminary alternatives, discuss the proposed recommended alternative, answer your questions, and get your input. The Feasibility Study is the first step in preparing for future projects along this corridor. During this meeting, we will discuss the different options for the corridor and Talmadge Road interchange. More detailed studies and design will follow later. There is no construction date or funding currently available for the alternatives that will be discussed during this meeting.

ODOT is seeking comments from the public about the social, environmental, and economic impacts of this proposed project. Environmental impacts include those involving archaeological, architectural, and ecological resources, hazardous materials, and the general location of the project. You may find information about how to join the meeting at the following website: <https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odot/projects/projects/108778> (The scannable code at the bottom of the next page will take you to this link) or you can **call 855-925-2801 code 9300 to join the meeting.**

The project team will give a presentation about the project. Then, participants can submit questions to the project team either during the meeting or later. Your attendance at the meeting would be greatly appreciated; however, all materials presented at the online meeting, including the presentation, exhibits, handout, and comment form, will be available on the project website during and after the meeting so they can be viewed at your convenience. We ask that comments

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be submitted online, by mail, or by email before September 11, 2020 to be considered during project development.

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عبر ممكن وقت أقرب في Imad Bdeiri الاتصال في تتردد فلا ،تغللا هذه إلى الاجتماع هذا مواد ترجمة في ترغب كنت إذا
Imad.Bdeiri@dot.ohio.gov (٤١٩٣٧٣٤٤٥٦419-373-4456).

If you have questions or comments about this project or the meeting, please contact me through these options:

- Online meeting options:
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- Mail comment form or letter to Ben Cordes at ODOT District 2 address at the very top.

The public meeting comment period ends Friday, September 11, 2020.
We sincerely appreciate your involvement!

Respectfully,


Benjamin Cordes
ODOT District 2 Planner

