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Mike Andrako, P.E. Mobility Engineer Franklin County Engineer's Office 970 Dublin Rd Columbus, OH 43215 mandrako@franklincountyengineer.org ONLINE OPEN HOUSE FRA-CR171-0.00 (Innis Sidewalks) PID 117425 Comments requested by February 28, 2025

Franklin County Engineer Adam Fowler, in collaboration with the Ohio Department of Transportation is pleased to announce the improvement of Innis Road from Cleveland Avenue to Westerville Road. The Engineer's Office has received federal funding to address vulnerable road user safety issues along the corridor. The Innis Road, Cleveland Avenue to Westerville Road Improvements project will improve safety for pedestrians by adding sidewalk, installing Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons at two (2) pedestrian crossings with pedestrian refuge islands, high-visibility crosswalks, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps, lane reconfigurations to provide a two-way left turn lane, and buffered bike lanes. Traffic will be maintained in both directions at all times during construction. You are invited to our Online Open House. The goal of this virtual event is to give you an opportunity to learn about the project and provide comments to the County. Beginning on January 20, 2025, you can view the online materials at the following website: https://www.franklincountyengineer.org/public-meetings/

Your comments, concerns, and feedback are an important part of the project. Please see the attached materials or view them on our website to see how we plan to improve the roadway. Final right-of-way property needs have not yet been determined, but the exhibits show the potential construction limits that will likely be necessary to complete the project. Any right-of-way property acquisition will be completed according to all state and federal laws, including the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Act (the Uniform Act). The need for utility relocation is not anticipated with this project.

Below you will find the project funding and schedule.

Project Funding		Project Schedule	
Preliminary Engineering and Detailed	\$270,357	Design Complete	December 2025
Design		Right-of-Way Certified	March 2026
Construction	\$881,207	Construction Start	July 2026
Total	\$1,151,564	Construction End	November 2026

There are several ways for you to provide comments on the project to Franklin County. You can return the comment form online at the link above, submit the comments by email, or mail the comments form to the address at the top of this letter. You can also call 614-525-6158 to provide your comments over the phone or fax them to 614-525-3065. Please submit your comments by **February 28, 2025**. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, sex, age, national origin, or disability. Individuals who require special accommodations, translation or interpreter services to participate should contact Mike Andrako at 614-525-6158 no later than 15 calendar days prior to the end of the comment period (February 13, 2025).

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If you provide your contact information when leaving a comment, we will send a letter summarizing the comments received, the County's response, and status update on the project approximately two months after the end of the comment period.

Respectfully,

Adam W. Fowler, P.E., P.S. Franklin County Engineer

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The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by ODOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated 12/14/2020, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.

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