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The following is a weekly report concerning construction and maintenance work on state highways within the Ohio Department of Transportation District 1, which includes the counties of Allen, Defiance, Hancock, Hardin, Paulding, Putnam, Van Wert and Wyandot.

Interstate 75 Reconstruction Project

For the most recent information concerning the I-75 reconstruction project through Lima and Allen County and the safety upgrade of Ohio 117/309 on Lima's east side, visit: www.odotlima75.org

- · I-75 between Fourth Street and Ohio 81 in Lima will have occasional nighttime lane restrictions during reconstruction of the existing lanes of pavement, replacement of mainline bridges and reconstruction of the interchanges. Work began in March and will continue through fall of 2015. Traffic is maintained two lanes in each direction the majority of the time. Lane restrictions generally occur from 7 p.m.-10 a.m. the following morning. All ramp entrance and exits are currently available.
- All entrance and exit ramps at the Fourth Street interchange with I-75 are now closed. The southbound entrance and exit ramps closed July 15 for 60 days for reconstruction. The northbound entrance and exit ramps closed July 8 until mid-August for reconstruction. Traffic is detoured to the Ohio 65 interchange then north on Ohio 65 (St. Johns Road) to Fourth Street. Electronic message boards have been placed on I-75 advising motorists to use Ohio 65.
- Paving of the new lanes on I-75 will begin during the week in the northbound direction outside the barrier wall. Paving will begin just south of Fourth Street and will move north to the Ohio 117/309 interchange. Traffic on I-75 will not be affected; however, motorists are cautioned to watch for concrete trucks entering and exiting the highway over the next several weeks as the operation continues.
- · Ohio 117/309 is one lane in each direction in the eastbound lanes from just west of the interchange with I-75 to Bowman Road during a safety upgrade project which will reconstruct areas of the pavement and install a raised curb median in the center of the roadway.

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— As of July 29, traffic was switched from the south side of roadway to the north and is maintained two lanes in each direction without a center turn lane. Only two lanes of traffic are maintained, one lane in each direction, from Willard Avenue (Speedway) to the west of the I-75 interchange where concrete pavement has been placed and must cure prior to traffic being placed on it. Once the cure time is complete, traffic will remain one lane in each direction from Willard Avenue to the west of the interchange, but will be traveling on the north side of the roadway.

· Ohio 81 from just west of Stewart Road to just west of Neubrecht Road east of Lima is one lane in each direction in the existing eastbound lanes for pavement reconstruction. All ramp movements are currently maintained at the interchange with I-75.

Allen County

Ohio 696 from one mile north of Beaverdam to the Putnam County line will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks.

U.S. 30 westbound from Ohio 65 to Delphos will be restricted through the work zone for sealing of pavement cracks.

Putnam County

Ohio 634 between Fort Jennings and U.S. 224 will close Monday for one week for a culvert replacement. Traffic detoured from Ohio 634 to Ohio 190, to U.S. 224 back to Ohio 634.

Ohio 12 in Columbus Grove closed March 15 for a sewer replacement. Traffic detoured onto Ohio 65 and Sycamore Street back to Ohio 12.

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Ohio 108 is now open.

Van Wert County

Ohio 116 from the Auglaize County line to Van Wert will be restricted to one lane through the work zone for pavement repair.

U.S. 127 three miles south of Van Wert will close Aug. 13 for 45 days for bridge repair. Traffic is detoured to Ohio 709 to Ohio 118 back to U.S. 127.