## OFFICE OF THE

## **CLINTON COUNTY ENGINEER**

JEFFREY B. LINKOUS, P.E., P.S.



September 22, 2023

Re: Notification Letter for CLI-CR 10-0.41 Clarksville Rd Reconstruction Project (PID 115786)

Dear Neighbor:

The Clinton County Engineer, in cooperation with ODOT, is proposing this roadway reconstruction project to reconstruct approximately 6,300' of Clarksville Road (County Road 10) in Vernon Township, Clinton County, Ohio. The project will improve horizontal and vertical curves, widen pavement and shoulders, and remove fixed objects from the clear zone.

Construction is estimated to begin in April 2025 and be completed in November 2025. Permanent and/or temporary right-of-way is expected to be required for the project. If right-of-way acquisition is necessary from your property, a right-of-way representative from the Clinton County Engineer's Office will contact you directly at a later date to discuss the right-of-way needs, the acquisition process, and your rights under that process.

The proposed work will require closure of Clarksville Road for approximately 150 days. Traffic will be detoured using Creek Road to US 22/SR 3 to Beechgrove Road. Detour information will be posted in advance of the roadway closure. Access shall be maintained to all adjacent properties for the duration of the project.

On behalf of the Clinton County Engineer's Office, we are writing to advise you that it may be necessary for personnel from Clune Consulting Services to enter upon adjacent properties within the next 30 days to obtain specific field data needed in connection with the proposed project. Sections 5517.01 and 163.03 of the Ohio Revised Code authorize such entries but also require that reimbursement be made for any actual damage resulting from such work. It is not anticipated that any physical sampling or vegetation clearing will be required; however, if any valuable vegetation must be cleared to accomplish the work needed, you will be notified and informed as to the procedure to follow in preparing a claim for reimbursement. If at any time you feel that our representatives have not given proper attention to your property, please notify me.

Please note that these personnel will not be able to give any information or answers to your questions. The staff will simply be collecting data to complete their environmental studies. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and assistance so that this worthwhile project can be completed as soon as possible.

The project will require permanent right-of-way be taken from the Dr. Nathan Hale Woods and Preserve, located at the northeast corner of the project area. In addition, it is expected that access to the parking lot/entrance to the preserve may be temporarily restricted during construction. Dr. Nathan Hale Woods and Preserve is recognized as a public recreational property and is afforded protection from adverse impacts associated with federal-aid transportation projects under federal law. As such, measures to minimize harm will be implemented and advanced public notice will be given to this recreational property.

- Temporary construction fencing will be installed along proposed construction limits prior to the start of construction activities to protect this recreational property and the public.
- The contractor will be required to closely coordinate the construction schedule with ODOT, the Clinton County Engineer and the Clinton County Park District prior to the start of construction.

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- The staging and/or storage of construction equipment or materials shall not take place outside
  the proposed construction limits that are within the defined boundaries of the Dr. Nathan Hale
  Woods and Preserve.
- Appropriate signage shall be installed to alert used of the preserve of construction activities, access restrictions or closures.

To ensure the decision-making process is comprehensive, the Clinton County Engineer's Office is seeking comments from the public about the social, environmental, and economic impacts of this proposed project. Environmental impacts include those involving archaeological, architectural, maintenance of traffic/access to properties, ecological resources, hazardous materials, and the general location of the project.

Please provide comments or concerns you may have by October 22, 2023, to:

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Respectfully,

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**County Engineer**