

Defiance County seeking public comment on project

Defiance, Ohio (October 31, 2022) - Defiance County, in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Executive Order 11988, is seeking public comments regarding the following proposed projects:

County Road 150 / Evansport Road bridge maintenance (PID: 117348) - The Defiance County Engineer, in partnership with ODOT, is proposing to replace the bridge beams and north abutment on County Road 150 (Evansport Road) over the Tiffin River located northwest of the City of Defiance. Additionally, the existing guardrail will also be replaced and the roadway to the north will be elevated to the 100 year flood elevation within existing right of way. Construction activities will result in temporary roadway closures. Vehicular through traffic will be detoured temporarily. Access for local traffic to all properties will be maintained throughout construction.

Construction is anticipated to occur in the spring and summer of 2023.

Work at this location will occur in the regulated floodplain for the Tiffin River. Impacts to this floodplain are anticipated to be minor and result in minor rise in localized flood levels. A statement of findings detailing the results of the final floodplain analysis will be made available on the Defiance County Engineer website: <https://www.defiance-county.com/engineer/news.htm>

Written comments regarding this project may be sent to: Defiance County Engineer, Attn: Warren Schlatter, 510 Court St, Suite 201, Defiance, OH 43512; or to w Schlatter@defiancecounty.oh.gov

Please provide comments within 15 days from the day this was published. To help expedite a response, please provide the project name and PID number provided above as well as contact information. Comments without contact information cannot be responded to.

Project-related issues the public may wish to comment on include but are not limited to, historic or cultural resources, ecological resources, and environmental justice issues. Media inquiries, please contact: Defiance County Engineer, (419)782-4751 or engineer@defiancecounty.oh.gov