

To: BCTID Board Members
Date: June 8, 2005
Re: Director's Report

Project Updates

1. Liberty Interchange

◆ ROW acquisition – Staff has been working closely with property owners impacted by the Cox Road extension regarding ROW donation and assessments. Title research and appraisal work for Hamilton Mason Road is underway. A contract extension for the purchase of Camp Timberhill, which will be swapped for property on Hamilton Mason Road owned by Butler County Metro Parks, is necessary in order to provide additional time for securing project financing. Request Board approval of Resolution 2005-10 authorizing Director to enter into a contract extension.

◆ Project Funding – The framework for project financing is awaiting the outcome of proposed legislative changes regarding TIF Districts. It is uncertain whether the proposed changes contained in the House version of the state budget bill will be addressed by the conference committee which will resolve differences between the House and Senate. Other options include handling TIF Districts in separate legislation or dropping the proposed changes completely. The state budget must be approved by the end of June.

◆ Design, Utility Relocation and Schedule – Final design plans for Cox Road extension and the eastern portion of Hamilton-Mason Road are in development and are being reviewed by the BCEO. Cinergy officials have indicated that they will begin their review of the plans in June. The owners effected by the Cox Road extension have asked that construction of Cox Road include the extension of water and sewer utilities that would be required to serve development on those properties. Resource International is preparing an estimate for the design of these utilities.

2. SR 747 Widening, Phase III

◆ Cinergy has completed the field verification of the location of the gas transmission main on the west side of the corridor. They expect to provide final survey data to KZF by June 10th to incorporate in the final design drawings.

◆ Title work has been completed on the west side of the corridor and is underway on the east side.

◆ Request Board approval of Resolution 2005-11 authorizing the Director to execute the ODOT LPA agreement for the construction of the project.

3. SR 747 Widening, Phase IV

◆ Staff has received two bids for the demolition of the last house on the property. The cost of demolition is within the budgeted amount of the project. Utilities are being disconnected prior to starting the demolition.

4. SR 4 Bypass Widening / Butler County Airport Access

◆ The TRAC application is under review by ODOT and the OKI Regional Council of Governments. Staff will provide contract amendments to Fairfield, Hamilton and Fairfield Township for authorization to continue with project design work. The TID has authorized this work in Resolutions 2004-34 and 2005-06.

◆ Staff and ME Company will meet with ODOT District 8 officials regarding the potential use of accident mitigation (“hotspot”) funds for improvements to the north terminus of the Bypass and for the Symmes Road intersection.

5. Fairfield – Hamilton Corridor Study

6. Hamilton North / New Miami River Crossing Study

7. North SR 4 Bypass Extension

- No activity on these three projects.

Other Issues

1. None

Calendar and Communication

1. Upcoming meetings scheduled with the following parties to discuss current projects, potential opportunities and develop relationships for BCTID:

- June 16th – Work session presentation to Butler County Commissioners regarding freight-rail projects
- June 21st – Butler County Port Authority Board meeting
- June 22nd – ODOT PDP training
- July 11th – BCTID Board Meeting