



To: BCTID Board of Directors
From: John Fonner, Executive Director
Date: April 3, 2007
Re: Director's Report

Project Updates

I. Liberty Interchange

- ROW Acquisition – The BCTID has closed on the acquisition of the Sennet parcel on the south side of Hamilton Mason Road near Cox Road. Request board approval of Resolution 2007-09 authorizing the Director to execute a change order with the ME Company for an additional \$50,000 for professional services related to the acquisition of right of way for the project.

Also request board approval of Resolution 2007-10 authorizing the Director to enter into an agreement with Bayer Becker Engineers for the design of an access road if needed to serve properties in the northeast quadrant of the Liberty Interchange.

2. SR 747 Widening, Phase III

- Construction –The preconstruction meeting was held on March 23rd. A public awareness meeting for the project will be held on Friday April 20th at 8AM at the Liberty Township Fire Station on SR 747 just north of SR 129. Construction is expected to start on April 16th with construction of the retaining wall in front of the church on the east side of the project. Work on the roadway will begin May 1st. The project completion date is October 15, 2007.

3. SR 4 Bypass Widening / Butler County Airport Access

- Project Design – ME is awaiting final approval of the Preliminary Engineering report and of the design project scope. Geotechnical investigations are complete and the reports are under review by the BCEO, City of Hamilton and ODOT.

4. SR 63 Extension – No activity to report.

5. ODOT Transportation Budget Bill (HB67)

- HB67 approving the biennial state transportation budget has become law. This authorized \$250 Thousand per year for the Butler County TID and several others around the state including Hamilton, Clermont and Montgomery Counties' TIDs. Thanks to the County's Legislators, Senator Gary Cates, Representative Sean Webster, Representative Bill Coley and Representative Courtney Combs for their strong support for the bill and to our advisors from Kegler Brown and Lee Smith and Associates for their work with the legislators and the administration.

6. Butler County Port Authority

- Quaker Chemical – Final financing documents are being prepared and reviewed. The total project value is expected to be approximately \$41 million. The project will result in 40 jobs retained and 45 new jobs and will be complete in 2008. Quaker Chemical's Board of Directors has approved the project and the BCPA is expected to give final approval on April 17th. Closing is expected by the end of April.
- Butler County Intermodal Rail Study – The BCPA and lead consultant Warner Moore of Jordan Jones & Goulding are presenting the findings of the study to the OKI Board of Directors at their June meeting.
- Middletown Regional Hospital Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund Application (CORF) – The BCPA has filed an application for a CORF grant of \$3 million on behalf of the Middletown Regional Hospital for the demolition and remediation of the existing hospital facility in Middletown.

Calendar and Communication

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

- April 10 – OKI ICC Meeting
- April 17 – Butler County Port Authority Board Meeting
- April 20 – SR 747 Public Awareness Meeting, 8AM at the Liberty Township Fire Station on SR 747 just north of SR 129
- May 14 – Butler County TID Board Meeting