



To: BCTID Board of Directors  
From: John Fonner, Executive Director  
Date: November 10, 2006  
Re: Director's Report

## **Project Updates**

### **I. Liberty Interchange**

- **Interchange Ramps** – Stage II design drawings were submitted to ODOT (except for fence plans and plans for the bridge over Ramp G) the week of October 29 and are currently in review. Rii is also completing revisions to the IMS in response to comments from FHWA. Final environmental (NEPA) documents for the interchange are being submitted incrementally as sections are completed.
- **Project Funding** – In October, we interviewed with the three rating agencies in Chicago regarding the project financing. Discussions are underway with the agencies to establish a rating for the project financing. Peck Schaffer is preparing the indenture agreement that will structure the financial participation of the County, Liberty Township and West Chester Township in the project. A first presentation to the West Chester Twp Trustees regarding the project financing is scheduled for November 14<sup>th</sup>.
- **Cox Road Extension & Hamilton Mason Road East** – Cox Road and Hamilton Mason Road East design drawings are complete pending final review and approval by BCEO and BCDES. The Cox Road Extension, including the intersection and traffic signal at the intersection of Hamilton Mason Road, is anticipated to be constructed first. Property owners associated with Cox Road have indicated that there must be a tangible commitment to construct the interchange before signing on to a voluntary assessment for the construction of Cox Road.
- **Hamilton Mason Road West** – Staff is meeting with Liberty Township staff and owners of largest parcels on the north side of Hamilton Mason Road to discuss drainage issues and development of access and internal street network.

### **2. SR 747 Widening, Phase III**

- **Utility Relocation** –Duke Energy has completed the relocation of overhead electric transmission lines. Relocation of cable and telephone is underway. Water line relocation by BCDES is expected to be awarded the week of November 13<sup>th</sup>.
- **Construction Management** – Staff and ME are working with ODOT to finalize the construction bid documents. The tentative construction bidding and award schedule is as follows:

1. ODOT Permission to Bid	Nov 17
2. Bid advertisements to newspapers	Nov 18
3. Advertise	Weeks of Nov 22, 29 and Dec 6
4. Pre-bid meeting	Week of Dec 4
5. Take bids	Dec 14 - 21
6. ME finalize recommendations	Dec 28 – Jan 4
7. Award	Jan 8

### 3. SR 4 Bypass Widening / Butler County Airport Access

- Project Design – Fairfield Township has decided to proceed with the design and construction of the intersection of Hamilton Mason Road separate from the rest of the SR4 Bypass project. Staff has been working closely with the BCEO and ME Companies to clarify the scope of each project and to facilitate the Township's commitment to expedite this phase of the project. Staff has also been working with ODOT to finalize the scope of the SR4 Bypass design project and addressing other contract related questions in order to get ME Companies fully underway with the project design.

### 4. SR 63 Extension – No activity to report.

### **Calendar and Communication**

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

- November 14 – OKI ICC Meeting
- November 14 – Presentation to Liberty JEDD Board
- November 14 – Presentation to West Chester Trustees
- November 22 – Meeting with ODOT regarding SR 4 Bypass
- December 11 – BCTID Board Meeting