



SEGMENTS II AND III

Red Bank Corridor to I-275/SR 32 Interchange

Public Open House, March 9, 2017

OVERVIEW

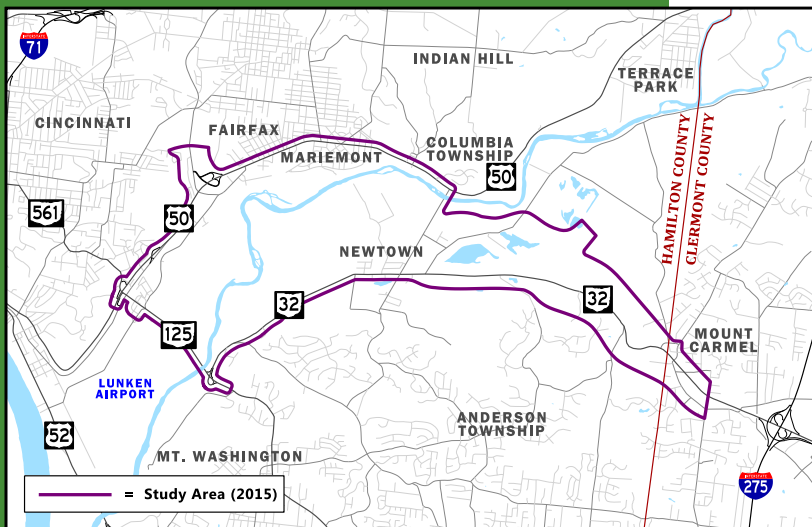
Eastern Corridor Segments II and III are located at the center of the Eastern Corridor region.

Previous transportation improvement recommendations for this area focused on shifting the western end of SR 32 from where it currently stops at SR 125 (Beechmont Avenue) to a new, direct connection with US 50 (Columbia Parkway) and the Red Bank corridor. After completing in-depth studies however, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) determined that relocating the roadway through the Little Miami River Valley has potentially significant environmental impacts, high construction costs and public and resource agency concerns; therefore, it is no longer considering doing so at this time.

Congestion, travel delays and safety issues still exist through the central portion of the Eastern Corridor, however, and transportation improvements are still needed to address regional network inadequacies and poor linkage to major economic, recreational and employment centers.

Last spring, ODOT launched an effort to re-examine and reprioritize transportation needs within the Segments II and III study area, with an eye toward making lower-impact improvements to the existing transportation network that will more effectively balance community values and available resources.

Eastern Corridor Segments II and III Study Area



TRANSPORTATION NEEDS ANALYSIS

In 2016, ODOT completed multiple studies to evaluate roadway conditions throughout the Segments II and III study area. Data collected includes traffic volumes, travel time, congestion and crash data. In addition, ODOT conducted both an interactive, online survey and six Focus Area workshops in communities throughout the study area to gather public input on community values, transportation priorities, and transportation problem areas. The information gathered through these efforts helped identify transportation needs for the area, each of which have been placed into one of two categories:

PRIMARY NEEDS – Needs which will be addressed as part of the Eastern Corridor Program of transportation improvements

SECONDARY NEEDS – Needs that may be addressed as part of the Eastern Corridor Program of transportation improvements

Individual needs are discussed in detail in the *Draft Eastern Corridor Segments II and III Transportation Needs Analysis Report, December 2016*. This draft report is available for review on the Eastern Corridor website.

MOVING FORWARD

During upcoming months, ODOT will be working with local community representatives and planners to develop priority-driven solutions to the transportation needs identified. Solutions will focus on making improvements to the existing transportation network and recommendations will be shared for public review and comment. It is anticipated that improvements will be completed as separate projects and will be constructed as they are approved and receive funding.

For more information, visit
www.EasternCorridor.org

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by ODOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 11, 2015, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.

Segments II and III Focus Areas

