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## Franklin County Engineer Kicks Off Mobile Data Collection Project

**[Columbus, Ohio – October 15, 2020]** – Cornell R. Robertson, P.E., P.S., Franklin County Engineer, is pleased to announce the initiation of a roadway asset inventory collection project. Data gathered from this project will allow the County Engineer to manage the design, construction, and maintenance of roads and bridges more effectively. Data collection activities should be concluded by November 2020.



Pictured above: Engineer Robertson with the Data Transfer Solutions (DTS) Mobile Asset Collection (MAC) vehicle.

The Franklin County Engineer's Office has contracted with Data Transfer Solutions (DTS) to drive county maintained roads with their Mobile Asset Collection (MAC) vehicle to collect video and GPS data on roadways. DTS is a nationwide firm and provides professional asset management and mobile data collection services to local and state government agencies.

DTS operates a fleet of sophisticated data collection vehicles equipped with an array of precision instrumentation and data collection equipment that helps state and local transportation agencies inventory and manage transportation infrastructure, facilities, and assets.

Specifically, the vans possess digital cameras that will collect imagery on all pavement and above-ground, transportation-related assets located within the right-of-way. This imagery will be used to create a digital video inventory.

In order to collect all relevant data, the vehicles will be traveling all Franklin County maintained roads. DTS staff may be required to drive each road several times to collect all the required data. The vehicles will only collect data during daylight hours to ensure the highest quality of data and imagery.

If residents have any questions or need additional information regarding the vehicles, the project, or the process, they are encouraged to contact Mark E. Williams, Asset Manager at 614-525-3030.

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