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ONLINE OPEN HOUSE
FRA-SRTS SW City Schools
PID 120034

Comments requested by September 5, 2024

Franklin County Engineer Brad Foster, in collaboration with the Ohio Department of Transportation is pleased to announce that a Safe Routes to School project has been awarded in your area. The Engineer's Office has received federal funding to address school zone safety at two schools located in Franklin County: Prairie Lincoln Elementary and Norton Middle School. The Safe Routes to School project will improve safety for pedestrians by adding sidewalk, high-visibility crosswalks, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliant curb ramps, a Speed Table, and installing a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon and Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons at selected pedestrian crossings. You are invited to our Online Open House. The goal of this virtual event is to give you an opportunity to learn about the project and provide comments to the County. Beginning on August 5, 2024, you can view the online materials at the following website: <https://www.franklincountyengineer.org/public-meetings/>

Your comments, concerns, and feedback are an important part of the project. Please see the attached materials or view them on our website to see how we plan to improve the area around each school. Final right-of-way property needs have not yet been determined, but the exhibits show the potential construction limits that will likely be necessary to complete the project. Any right-of-way property acquisition will be completed according to all state and federal laws, including the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Act (the Uniform Act). Utility relocations are unknown at this time.

Below you will find the project funding and schedule.

Project Funding	
Preliminary Engineering and Detailed Design	\$138,713
Construction	\$434,515
Total	\$573,228

Project Schedule	
Design Complete	December 2025
Right-of-Way Certified	February 2026
Construction Start	June 2026
Construction End	August 2026

There are several ways for you to provide comments on the project to Franklin County. You can return the comment form online at the link above, submit the comments by email, or mail the comments form to the address at the top of this letter. You can also call 614-525-6158 to provide your comments over the phone or fax them to 614-525-3065. Please submit your comments by **September 5, 2024**. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, sex, age, national origin, or disability. Individuals who require special accommodations, translation or interpreter services to participate should contact Mike Andrako at 614-525-6158 no later than 15 calendar days prior to the end of the comment period (August 21, 2024).

If you provide your contact information when leaving a comment, we will send a letter summarizing the comments received, the County's response, and status update on the project approximately two months after the end of the comment period.

Respectfully,

Brad Foster, P.E., P.S.
Franklin County Engineer

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Mike Andrako".

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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 12/14/2020, and executed by FHWA and ODOT.