



# Rural Consultation

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN

October 2019

# AGENDA

1. Introductions
2. OMEGA Overview
3. Regional Transportation Improvement Plan Overview
4. Comments

# OMEGA: Who Are We?

- Local Development District
- Council of Governments
- Ten County Governments

Belmont\*

Carroll

Columbiana

Coshocton

Guernsey

Harrison

Holmes

Jefferson\*

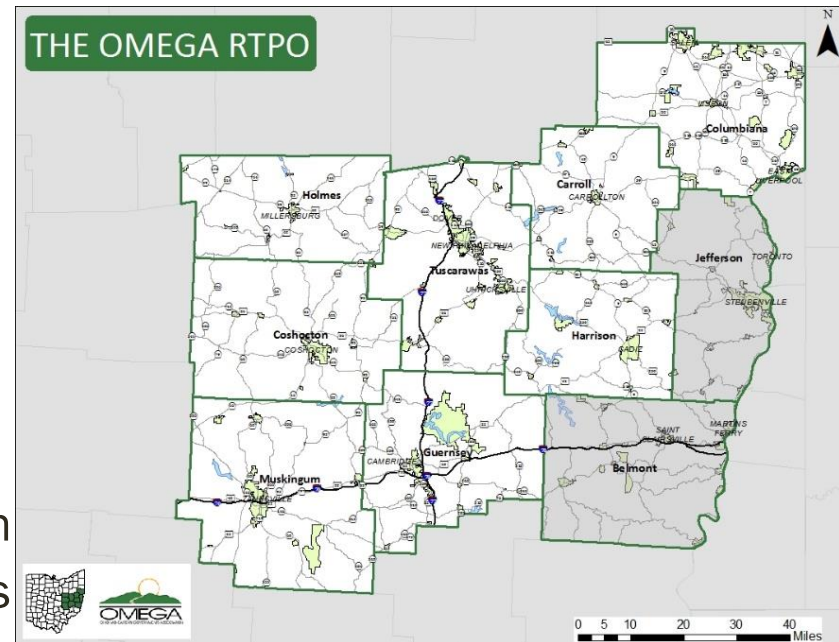
Muskingum

Tuscarawas

- Twelve City Governments

Cambridge, Coshocton, Dover, East Liverpool, Martins Ferry, New Philadelphia, St. Clairsville, Salem, Steubenville, Toronto, Uhrichsville, and Zanesville

\*Not Included in RTP



# OMEGA's Services



- **Mission:**      *Provide a pathway to enhance community and economic growth in our region.*
- Provide Planning Assistance to Local Governments
- Provide Funding Administrative Services
- Administer ARC/GOA Program
- Administer Revolving Loan Fund Program
- Administer Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
- Promote Collaboration
- Serve as District Liaison for the District 14 Natural Resource Advisory Council (Clean Ohio)
- **REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

*Connecting Communities to Resources*

# RTPO SERVICES

- Short Range Planning
  - Active Transportation Plans / School Travel Plans
  - Regional Safety Planning
  - Participation in Statewide Planning
- Regional Transportation Planning
  - GIS Database for Local Agencies
  - Regional Transportation Plan
  - Regional Coordinated Human Services/Public Transit Plan
  - US 30 Corridor
  - Columbus to Pittsburgh Corridor
- Technical Services
  - Road Safety Audits, Curve Speed Studies, Crash Analysis
  - Grant Writing, Traffic Counts, Workshops

# Current RTP0 Goals

- Maintain and Improve Existing Transportation Systems
- Address Safety and Congestion
- Improve Quality of Life
- Facilitate Economic and Community Development



# What is the RTIP/STIP?

## What is the STIP?

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program, or STIP, is Ohio's four-year transportation planning document that serves two main purposes. First, it presents the transportation program for Ohio which includes both federally and state funded projects scheduled within the four-year period. Second, it serves as the reference document required by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) for use in approving federal funds for transportation projects in Ohio.

- ❖ Ohio Department of Transportation, Office of Program Management
- ❖ Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)
- ❖ **Rural Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs)**
- ❖ Local officials

Source:

<http://www.dot.state.oh.us/Divisions/Planning/STIP/Pages/default.aspx>

# Rural Consultation

- Covers State Fiscal Years 2021-2024
- ODOT-programmed project maps on OMEGA website
  - <https://omegadistrict.org/programs/transportation/rtip>
- Opportunity to comment on ODOT-programmed projects
- Include Locally-Initiated Transportation Projects



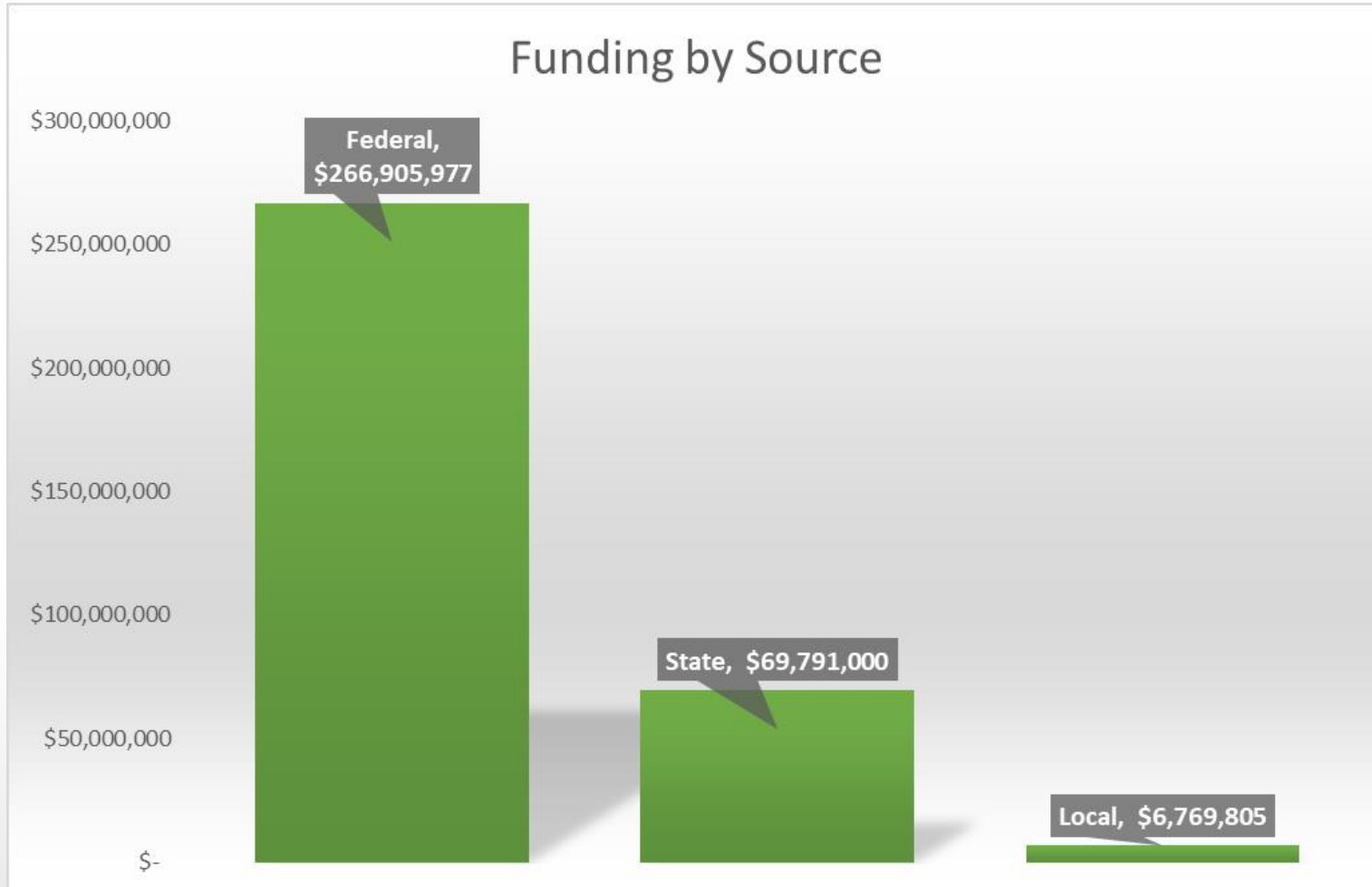
# RTIP Process



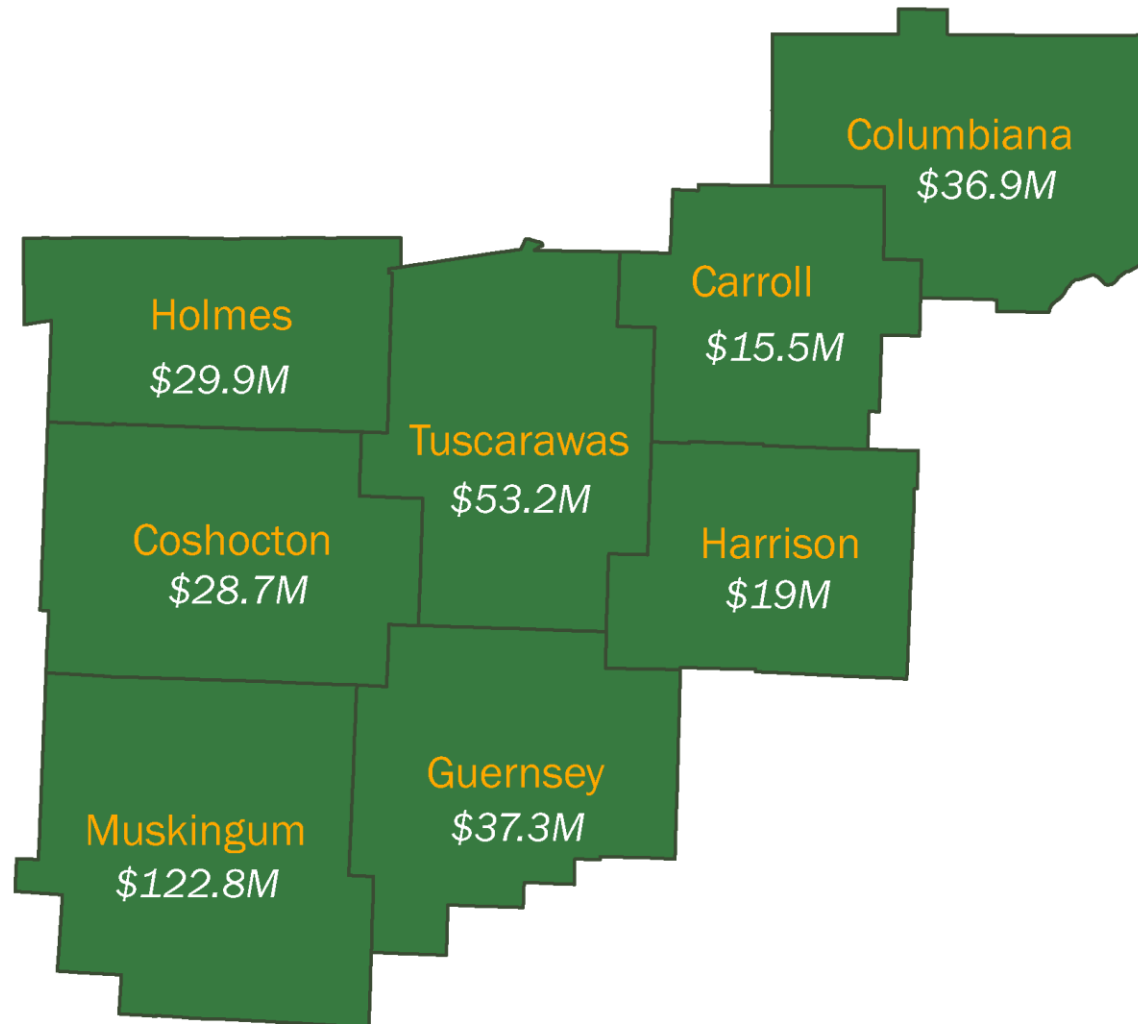
# RTIP Development Timeline

- ❖ February 7, 2020 – Draft RTIP due to ODOT
- ❖ March 6, 2020 – Draft STIP available for comment by ODOT
- ❖ March 27, 2020 – Revised draft RTIP due to ODOT
- ❖ March 30-April 10, 2020 –Public Involvement Period
- ❖ April 30, 2020 – Final RTIP due to ODOT

# Investment in OMEGA Region

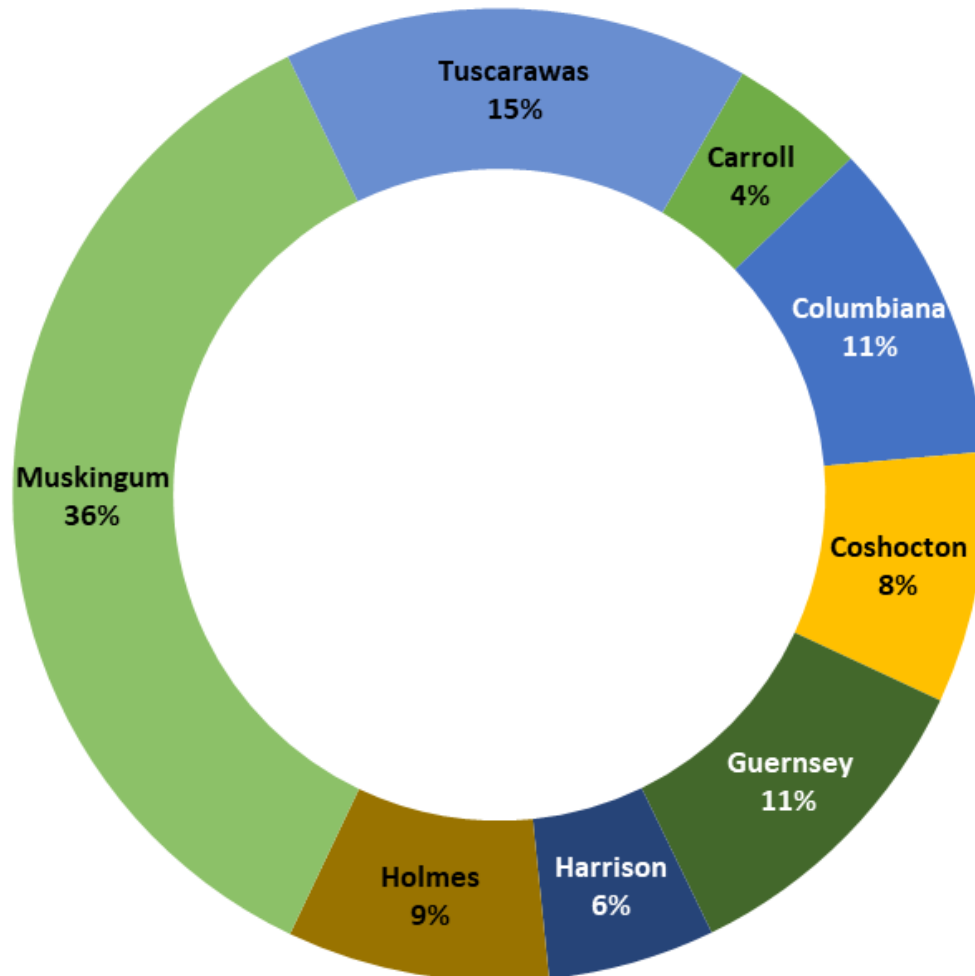


# Breakdown by County



# Investment in OMEGA Region

**Allocation of Funds by County**

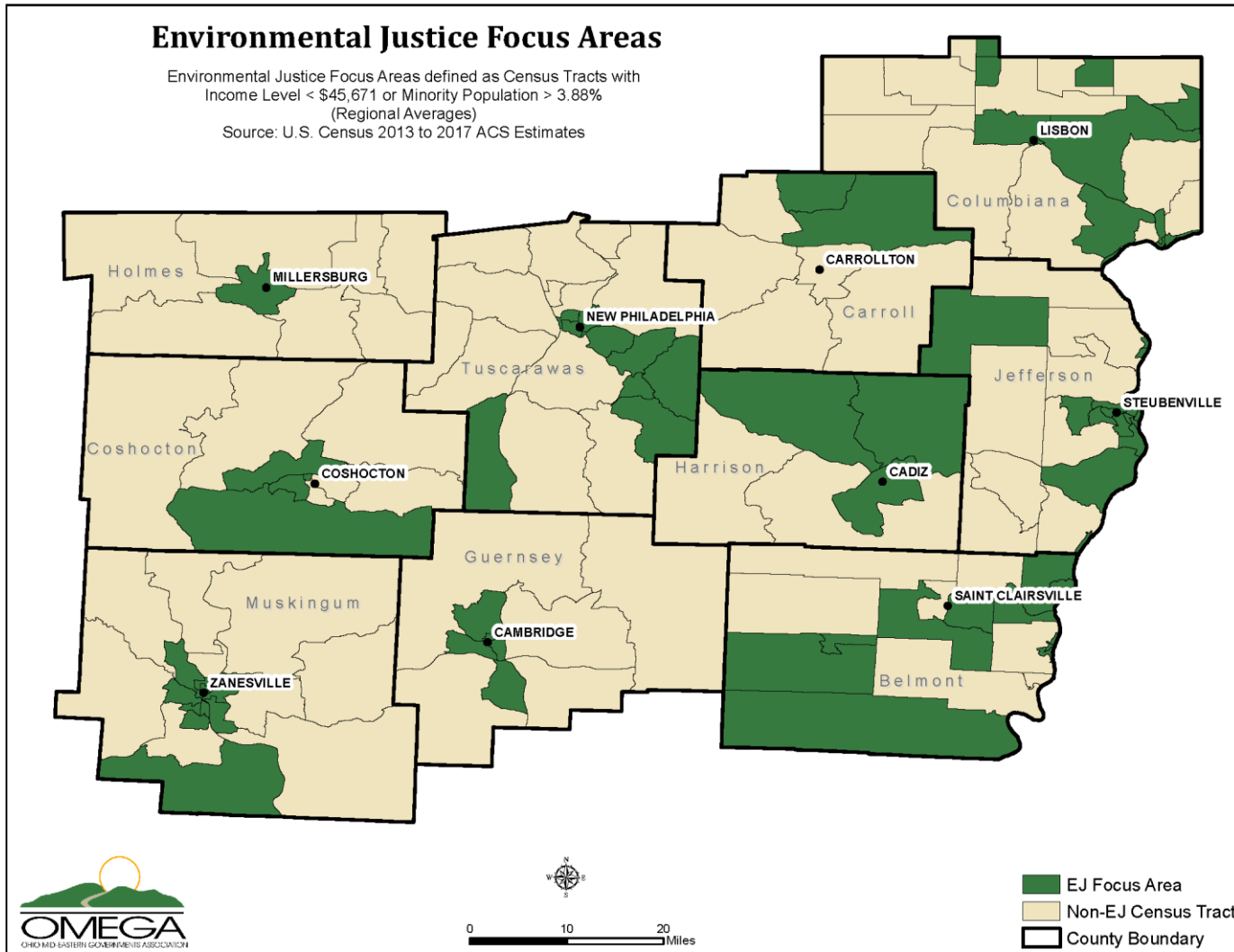


# Environmental Justice

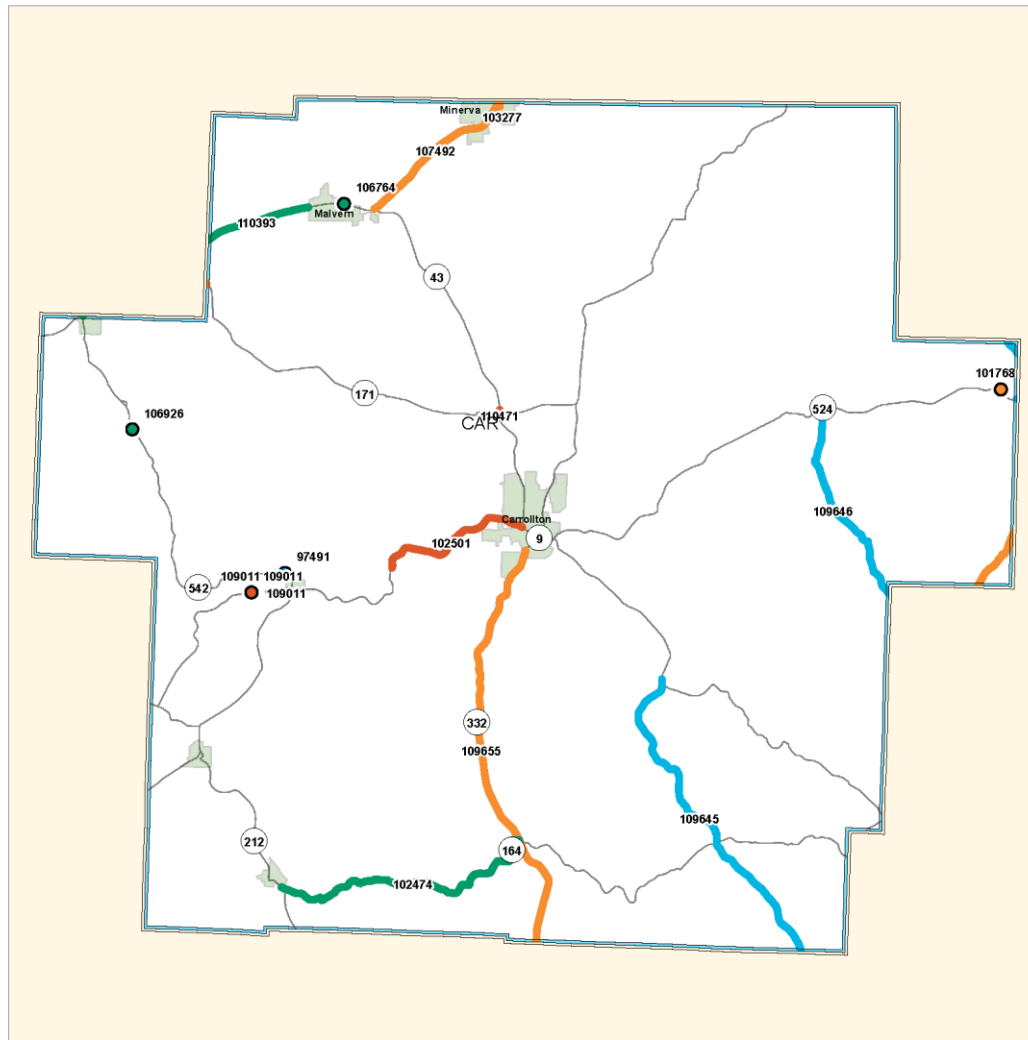
## Environmental Justice Focus Areas

Environmental Justice Focus Areas defined as Census Tracts with  
Income Level < \$45,671 or Minority Population > 3.88%  
(Regional Averages)

Source: U.S. Census 2013 to 2017 ACS Estimates



# 2021 - 2024 Construction Projects CARROLL County



- |             |                                   |            |  |  |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|------------|--|--|
| Interstate  | <b>STIP Period Work Locations</b> |            |  |  |
| State Route | 2021 Bridges                      | 2021 Roads |  |  |
| US Route    | 2022 Bridges                      | 2022 Roads |  |  |
| City        | 2023 Bridges                      | 2023 Roads |  |  |
| County      | 2024 Bridges                      | 2024 Roads |  |  |

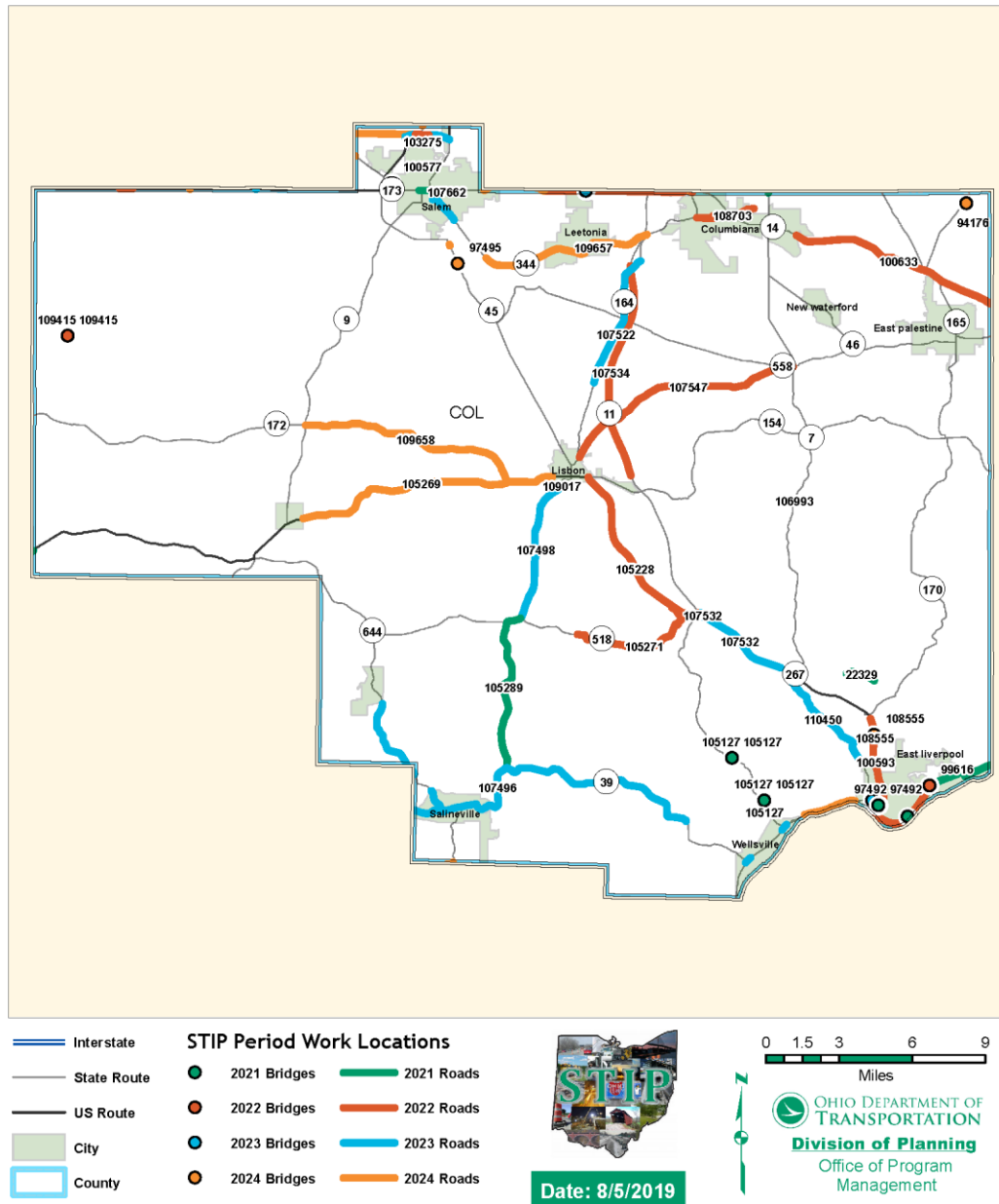


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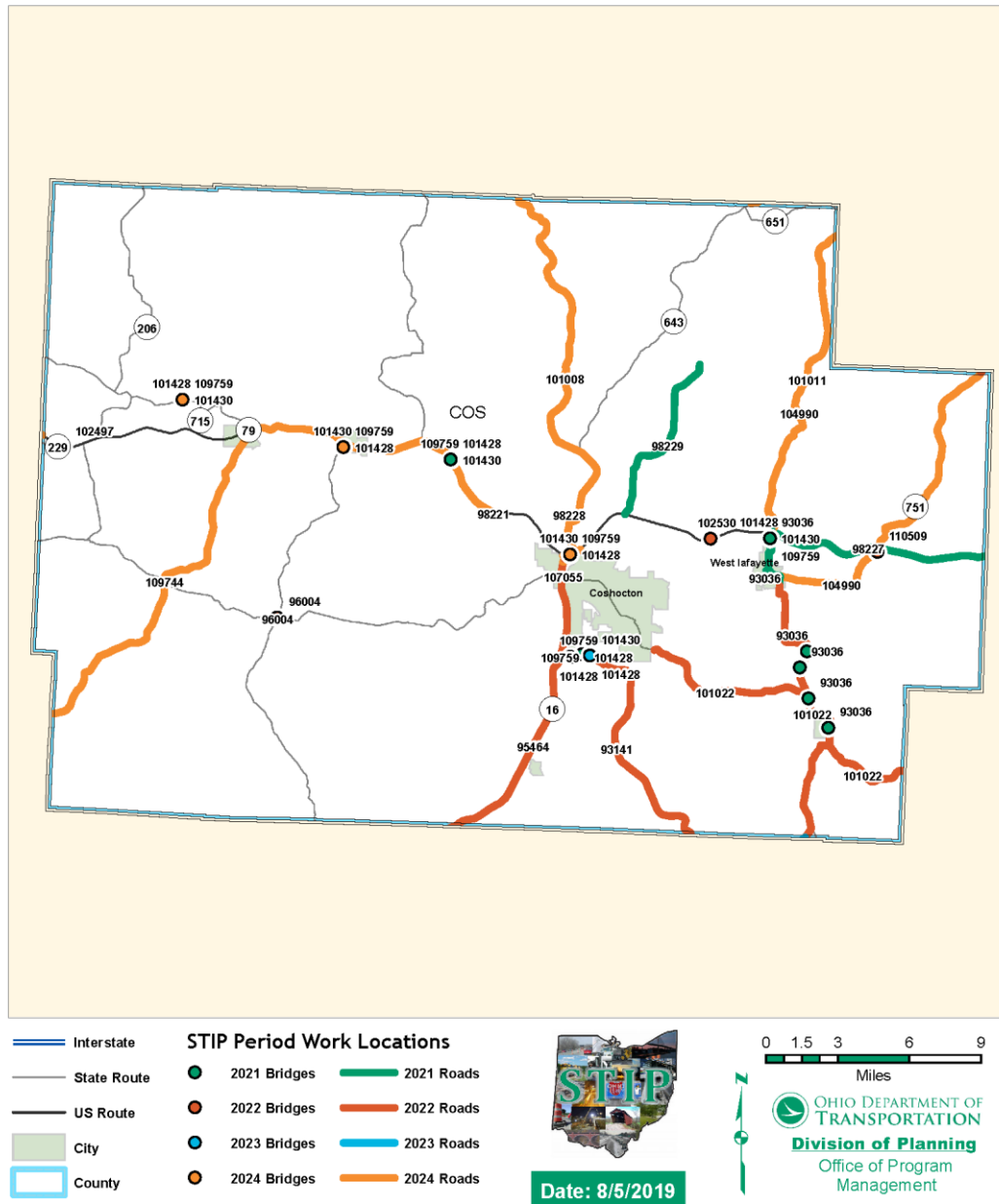
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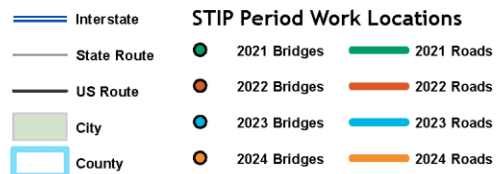
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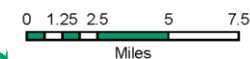


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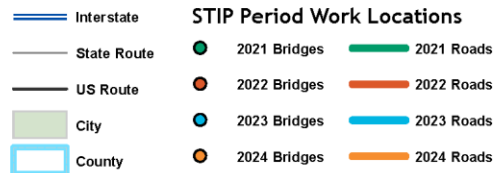


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# 2021 - 2024 Construction Projects HARRISON County



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This map displays the Holston area, highlighting various water bodies and infrastructure. Key locations include Loudonville, Millersburg, and Sugar Creek. The map features several numbered points (e.g., 105123, 105124, 109012, 109013, 109246) and colored lines (orange, green, blue) representing different water bodies or infrastructure. Road numbers like 179, 754, 60, 83, 241, 515, 557, 643, 520, and 62 are also visible.



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# 2021 - 2024 Construction Projects MUSKINGUM County



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|-------------|--------------|------------|
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| US Route    | 2023 Bridges | 2023 Roads |
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| County      |              |            |

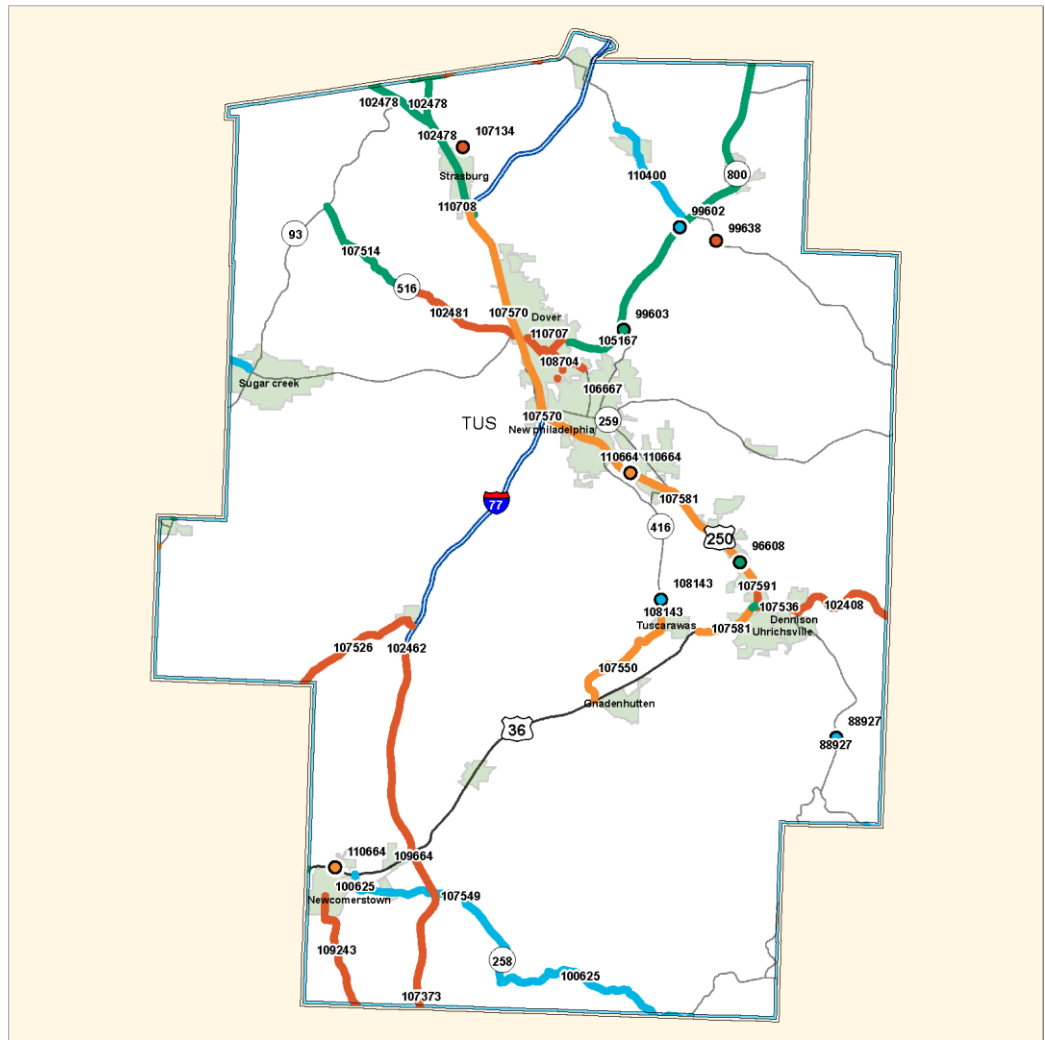


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# 2021 - 2024 Construction Projects TUSCARAWAS County



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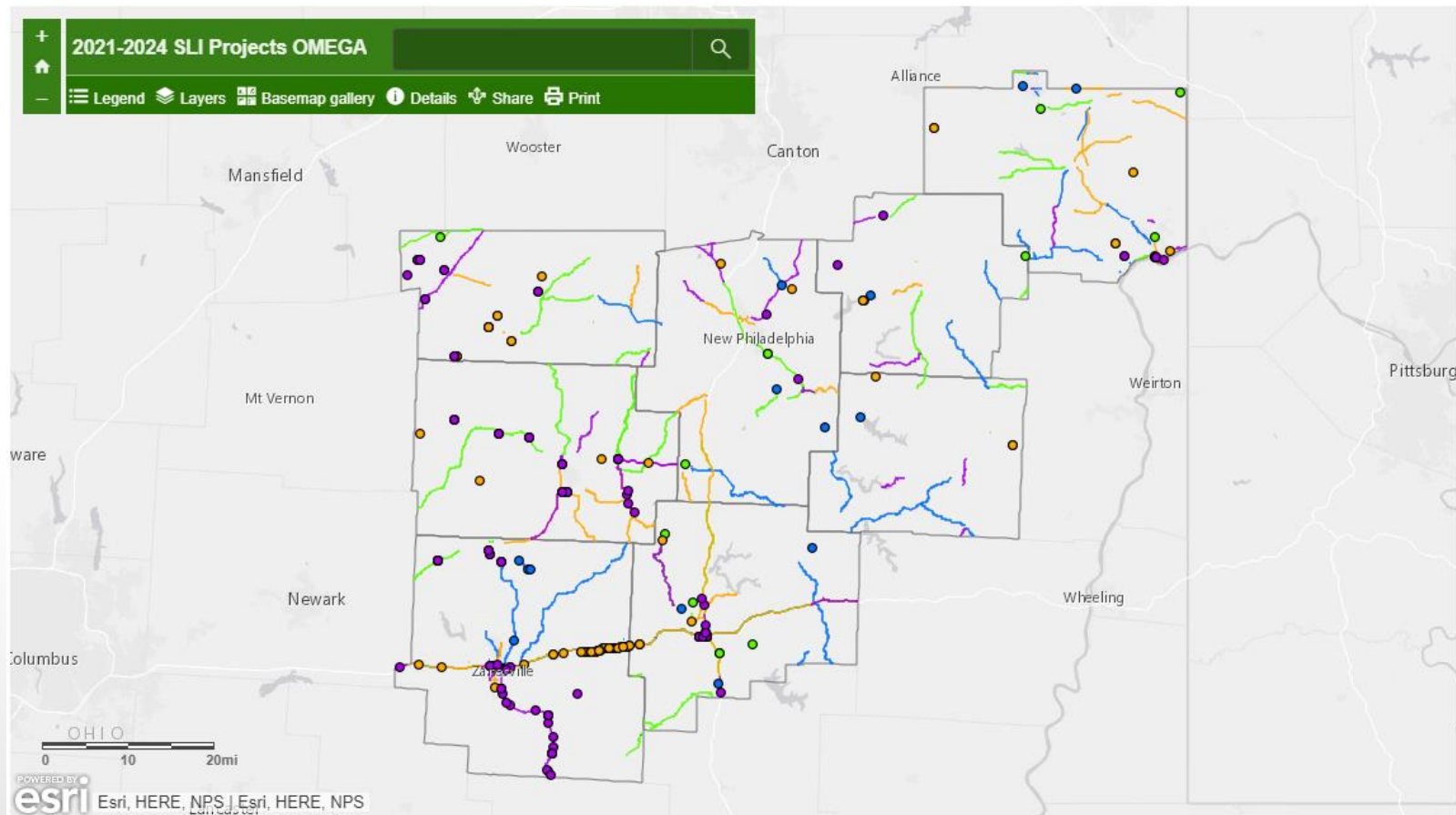


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# State Line Items

- <http://omegadistrict.org/state-line-items/>

## State Line Item Projects




# Next Steps


- Send projects & comments to OMEGA
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[mcarmel@omegadistrict.org](mailto:mcarmel@omegadistrict.org)
  - Call: 740-439-4471
  - Mail: 326 Highland Avenue, Suite B; Cambridge, OH

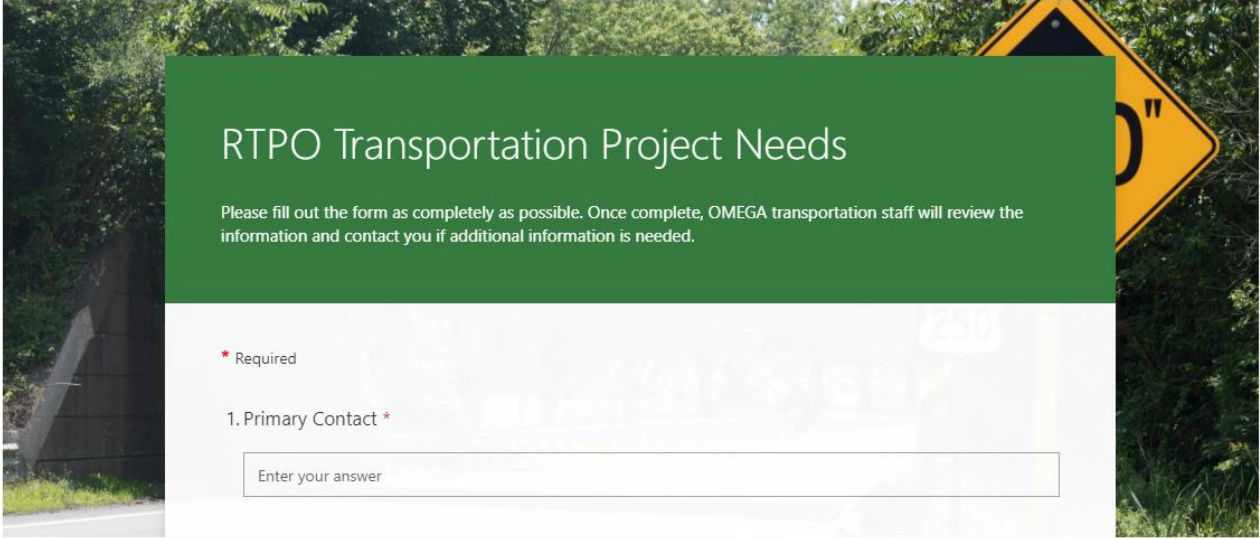


# New Automated Process

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RTPO PROJECT FORM



## RTPO Transportation Project Needs

Please fill out the form as completely as possible. Once complete, OMEGA transportation staff will review the information and contact you if additional information is needed.

\* Required

1. Primary Contact \*

[www.omegadistrict.org/RTPOprojects](http://www.omegadistrict.org/RTPOprojects)

# Next Steps

- Take public survey and share on social media!!

# Public Survey

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PUBLIC SURVEY



## OMEGA Transportation Survey

This survey should take approximately 5-7 minutes to complete. Survey answers will help guide the development of OMEGA's 2020-2045 Transportation Plan.

\* Required

1. In what county do you live? \*

[www.omegadistrict.org/survey](http://www.omegadistrict.org/survey)

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