

County Update

The Monthly Newsletter For The Belmont County Engineer's Department

Arbor Day

April 27th

Arbor Day originated in Nebraska in 1872.



Fred's Desk



SPRING ARRIVED EARLY this year following a mild winter with little snowfall. For the past few weeks, we experienced several days where the all time record was broken for daily high temperature. Several days last week were in the low eighties, making it feel like late May. To date, not including labor and equipment, we used \$185,529 for snow and ice control materials (salt, cinders, grits) This compares with \$315,755 last year, and \$362,726 the year before.

With the warm weather, the 2012 construction season has officially begun. On March 12, Ohio/West Virginia Excavating Co. started a \$647,135 County Highway 10 Bridge Replacement

Project. The new bridge will be a two span concrete box beam deck 98 feet in length, 28 feet wide. This bridge is expected to be finished in early summer.

In the past three weeks, two bridges built by our bridge crew, were completed and opened to traffic. The first one is located on Somerset Township 4 located on the Noble County line near Temperanceville, and is a steel beam bridge with a steel open grated deck. The other is a concrete box beam structure located on Richland Township 279 over Little McMahan Creek.

On April 4, bids will be opened for the 210' long, 20' high retaining wall along County Highway 5, Ramsey

Ridge Road. This is a FEMA funded project needed as a result of last year's heavy rainfall in April and May.

Later this year, we will be bidding several other projects, including new bridges and retaining walls. Dates of the bid openings will be determined in the near future.

With the little snowfall we received, and the warmer than usual temperatures so far in 2012, let me remind you that Easter is a couple weeks away, and we usually get an "Easter Snow".

2012 Employee Safety Meeting



April 20, 2012 at the Roscoe Road Garage
beginning at 8:00 A.M.
The County Engineer's Offices and Garages
will be closed for the day.



Bridge Projects



The bridge replacement project on Richland Township Road 279, McMahon Creek, was completed on March 22nd and opened to traffic.



The Somerset Township Road 4, Pfeffer Road, bridge replacement project was completed on March 12th.

2012 Annual Meeting With Township Officials

Thursday, April 19, 2012 at 6:00 P.M.

Belmont County Engineer's Department
Roscoe Road Garage
45741 Roscoe Road, St. Clairsville, Ohio

Presentation on Road Use and Maintenance Agreements by

Lloyd V. MacAdam P.E., P.S.
District 11 Deputy Director
Ohio Department of Transportation
New Philadelphia, Ohio



Road Work



In the above photographs, ditching work is being done on County Road 5, Glencoe St. Clairsville. Road crews are also working on County Road 26 (North and South 26), County Road 72 (Belmont Ridge) and County Road 120 (Douglass Road). Patching and mowing work is being done in various areas.

Deed Transfers

	DEEDS	TRACTS	EASEMENTS
January	224	439	88
February	241	425	92