

County Update

The Monthly Newsletter For The Belmont County Engineer's Department

**November
Holidays**

**Thanksgiving
November 26th
&
Friday November
27th**

Fred's Desk



WHAT BEAUTIFUL FALL weather we have been blessed with. As I write this, it is about 65 degrees outside, cooled down about 10 degrees from earlier in the week. Looking back at last year's County Update for November, I wrote "it is 15 degrees outside with a wind chill temperature below zero." What a difference a year makes.

Because of the warm November, a several projects have been completed. Ohio West Virginia Excavating Co. finished the piling

project on Deep Run Road and Pipe Creek Road. They also are about to finish the new 132' long bridge on Blaine-Barton road. Hopefully it will be opened by Thanksgiving.

This has been a banner year for resurfacing projects. With \$2.2 million furnished by the County Commissioners, a total of 22.7 miles have now been completed in 2015. The oil, gas and pipeline companies rebuilt and paved another 34.4 miles of county highways, which totals 57.1

miles. Last year the county resurfaced 3 miles and the oil & gas companies paved 13.9 miles, for a total of 16.9 miles. In 2013, the county resurfaced 13.2 miles and oil & gas 5.9 miles, for a total of 19.1 miles. This means that in the last year, 93.1 miles of Belmont County Highways have been paved. My thanks goes to Commissioners Matt Coffland, Ginny Favade & Mark Thomas for providing the funds for what the county paved.

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The bridge crew just completed the construction of a temporary bridge on Tar Run, and will soon be replacing the bridge at the intersection of Tar and Cumberland Runs. They are also preparing a site at the Lloydsville Garage for the construction of a equipment storage building.

The road crew have been ditching, grading aggregate roads, patching potholes and installing culverts of various county Highways. This work will continue until it's time to plow snow.

Thanksgiving is about here, so as we celebrate the holiday, let us remember to take time to give "Thanks" for your family and friends, and all of the blessings you receive.

To all and your loved ones, have a "Blessed Thanksgiving".

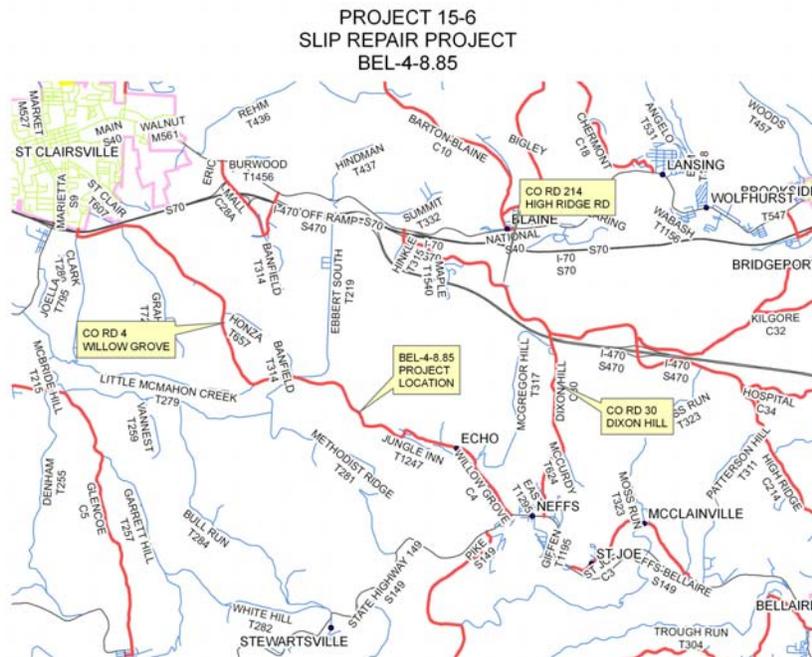
County Road 4 Slip Repair

Bids were opened on November 24, 2015 on Project 15-6 for a slip repair on County Road 4 Willow Grove Road at log point 8.85.

Ohio West Virginia Excavating of Powhatan Point and BBR Drilling of Belmont submitted bids and the results were as follows:

Ohio West Virginia Excavating	\$115,950
BBR Drilling	\$113,200

Bids will be reviewed before awarding the contract.

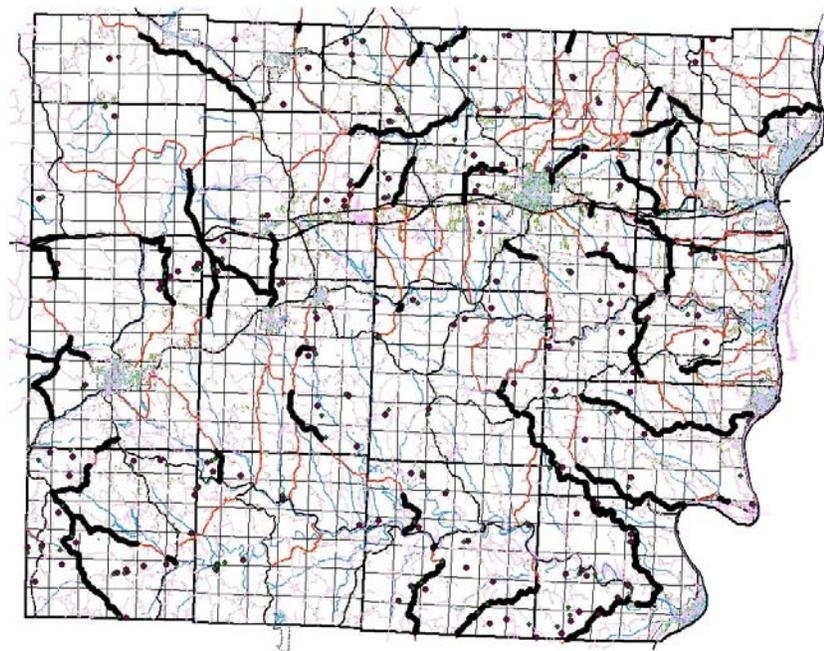


Road Use Maintenance Agreements

A RUMA is a document that is signed by the various oil & gas or pipeline companies that guarantee county roads are repaired or maintained to ensure safe travels for the public.

The thick lines on map below show the various roads that are covered by RUMA's. The dots represent well pads.

Currently there are 16 different oil & gas and pipeline companies working in Belmont County.



CEAO Conferences

Upcoming conferences for the County Engineer's Association of Ohio include:

2015 CEAO / CCAO Annual Winter Conference

December 6, 7 & 8, 2015

2016 Ohio Storm Water Management & Drainage Conference

March 15 & 16, 2016

2016 Bridge Workers, Supervisors & Engineers Conference

April 13 & 14, 2015

For more information, see the www.ceao.org website.