

County Update

The Monthly Newsletter For The Belmont County Engineer's Department

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MAY ARRIVES next week along with construction season. According to ODOT District 11 2016 Construction Program, they have listed about 40 projects in Belmont County. This includes about 10 county road and bridge projects.

One project listed is for center-line pavement markings of 137 miles various county highways. Aero Mark, Inc. has the \$147,776 contract for this work, which is 100% federally funded. This work should be completed in May. Last year Lash Paving Co. resurfaced about 23 miles of various county highways, where they placed a temporary center-line marking. As part of their contract, they will place new center-line and edge line stripes sometime within the

next two months. Also, another 20 miles of center and edge lines will be painted by various oil & gas companies. This totals 180 miles of county highways with new stripes.

Another project listed by ODOT is for the replacement of 4 local bridges. These bridges include one on CH 4 (Willow Grove Road), one on Richland T-289 (Cumberland Run Road), one on Pultney T-304 (Trough Run Road) and one on Cole-rain T-426 (Buzz Ayers Road). Work should begin also in May. This project is 100% ODOT funded at an estimated cost of \$1,638,850. Also listed are six more bridges, which will be designed this year and built next year.

ODOT will be fixing two landslide projects soon, one of County Highway 30 (Kirkwood Heights Road) and one on County Highway 4 (St. Clairsville-Barton Road). Federal Highway Emergency funds are being used for these projects.

On May 25, the commissioners will open bids for furnishing and applying road oil for dust control. This will be for the placing about 60,000 gallons of liquid bituminous materials. The estimated cost will be about \$180,000 using MVGT funds.

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2016 Safety Meeting

The annual safety meeting was held on Friday April 15th. Employees heard from equipment representatives and co-workers on a safety related issues.



Terry Lively demonstrates the new traffic counter.



Dave Warren of Hill International Trucks goes over pre-trip inspection.



Steve Clark demonstrates the new automatic traffic lights.



Steve Hill goes over Road Use Maintenance Agreements.



Steve Saines (left) and Barbara Lubberger (right) of the Ohio EPA talk about protecting water sources.