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BRANCH-HILL GUINEA ROAD AREA IMPROVEMENTS & RELATED ROAD CLOSURES UPDATE
Water main replacement nears completion; road reconstruction and paving scheduled updated

Batavia, OH – The Clermont County Engineer's Office today provided an update on the improvements taking place in the Branch-Hill Guinea Road area:

- The water main replacement work will be completed on Tuesday, April 5, weather permitting.
- The reconstruction and paving of Branch Hill-Guinea Road will begin on Wednesday, April 6. A detour will be required while this work is taking place and will last until Tuesday, May 10, weather permitting. A map is provided below.

This work is part of the Branch Hill-Guinea Road Drainage Improvements Project, which consists of drainage improvements and widening along Branch Hill-Guinea Road between Branch Hill-Loveland and Branch Hill-Miamiville Road.

Clermont County Engineer Pat Manger said that the project will significantly improve safety and travel through this area, particularly during this time of year when rainfall can often lead to problems on the roadway. "This improved drainage system will not only move water more efficiently from the roadway, but our improvement work will also eliminate the sharp drops and deep ditches along the roadside," said Manger. "In addition to the drainage improvements, the installation of paved shoulders will enhance safety for all traffic traveling through this portion of Branch Hill-Guinea Road."

As work progresses, the Engineer's Office will continue to update the following schedule and project information:

WHAT: **Work to replace a deteriorated section of water main between Branch Hill-Loveland and Branch Hill-Miamiville Road will begin.**

TRAFFIC IMPACTS: Traffic will be reduced to one lane with the use of flaggers during work hours.

TIMING: *Start date: Monday, March 21, 2016*
Expected completion: Tuesday, April 5, 2016

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WHAT: Following the completion of the above water main replacement work, the roadway improvements will begin, including the reconstruction and paving of Branch Hill-Guinea Road.

Improvements will include 12' travel lanes and 2' shoulders, as well as curb and gutter work. (The existing lane width is 10' with little to no shoulder room and deep roadside ditches.)

TRAFFIC IMPACTS: This work will require a full closure of Branch Hill-Guinea Road between Branch Hill-Loveland Road and Branch Hill-Miamiville Road. A detour will be in place that directs traffic from Branch Hill-Guinea Road to Wards Corner Road to I-275 to Loveland-Madeira Road. [See attached map.]

TIMING: Start date: Wednesday, April 6, 2016
Expected completion: Tuesday, May 10, 2016

In addition to the above projects, there will be two additional pieces of work completed this summer that will improve safety and travel in this area:

- Resurfacing work will occur on Branch Hill-Guinea Road from the Hamilton County line to Branch Hill-Miamiville Road.
- On Branch Hill-Loveland Road, resurfacing work will take place from Branch Hill-Guinea to the Loveland city limit.

Short-term closures will be necessary on both roads, and more information will be provided as each project approaches and more details are coordinated with local officials regarding the timing and detour patterns for both.

About the Clermont County Transportation Improvement District

The Clermont County Transportation Improvement District (CCTID) works across geographic and political lines to improve the quality of life for Clermont County residents by stimulating economic development through regional transportation improvements. The five-member board is made up of representatives from the Clermont County Engineer's Office, the Clermont County Chamber of Commerce, the City of Milford, and Miami and Union Townships.

The CCTID is currently working on nearly two dozen roadway improvements that will increase safety, support better traffic flow through the area, and provide the infrastructure for continued economic development throughout the county. More information about the CCTID and their project work can be found on-line at GoClermont.org.

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