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Old Detroit Road Bridge Public Notice

**Over the abandoned CSX railroad near West 24th Street
(Ward 3)**

CLEVELAND – The City of Cleveland will be rehabilitating portions of the historic Old Detroit Road Bridge over the abandoned CSX railroad near West 24th Street. The intent of the project is to restore the existing headwalls and fill in the portion of the culvert that carries the roadway load from above to “entomb” the historical structure as a relic for future generations. Improvements include various bridge repairs, sidewalk replacement, pavement replacement, bridge cleaning, and drainage improvements.

No permanent or temporary right-of-way is expected to be needed for this project. The eastbound lane of Detroit Avenue will be temporarily closed and detoured during construction. Detour signage will be posted prior to lane closures. The westbound lane on Detroit Avenue will be maintained.

The section of Centennial Trail near the project area is located on the northwest side of Detroit Avenue, west of the Cuyahoga River. The trail may experience impacts to access along Detroit Avenue during construction, though the rest of the trail will remain open. The project team is coordinating with appropriate parties to identify project impacts and measures to minimize harm.

This project aligns with Appendix B of the executed Section 106 Programmatic Agreement (Agreement No. 38503), specifically addressing historic bridge maintenance and safety activities. These measures ensure the 1853 double-barrel brick arch railroad structure remains in place with minimal potential to affect historic properties, in accordance with Stipulation V(C)(1) of the Agreement. The Ohio & Erie Towpath Trail is a recognized recreational property and is provided protection from adverse impacts associated with federal-aid transportation projects.

The City welcomes comments from interested parties regarding the social, environmental, and economic impacts. Comments can be submitted to Project Manager Elida Rreza by email at erreza@clevelandohio.gov, by phone at (216)-664-2112, by mail at 601 Lakeside Ave, Room 518, Cleveland, OH 44114, and through

the project website using the website linked below. Please include “PID 123855” in your subject line or mailing address.

Access project materials or submit comments online by visiting the website link here:

www.publicinput.com/olddetroitbridge

The attached letter and questionnaire will be sent to

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