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## MORPC Releases Top 100 High Crash Intersections *Announces Local Safety Initiative to help communities improve safety*

(Columbus – Aug. 30, 2017) The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) released its Top 100 Regional High-Crash Intersections list for the years 2014-2016. The top 100 intersections are ranked based on a formula that considers number of crashes, traffic volume and severity. The top ten intersections include:

| Rank | Location   |
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| 1    | E Livingston Avenue @ Hamilton Road/SR 317                         |
| 2    | Broad Street/SR 16 @ James Road                                    |
| 3    | Cleveland Avenue @ Innis Road                                      |
| 4    | Karl Road @ Morse Road   |
| 5    | Broad Street/SR 16 @ Lancaster Avenue/Reynoldsburg New Albany Road |
| 6    | Cleveland Avenue @ Dublin Granville Road/SR 161                    |
| 7    | E Dublin Granville Road/SR 161 @ Karl Road                         |
| 8    | Morse Road @ Westerville Road/SR 3                                 |
| 9    | E Livingston Avenue/US 33 @ Alum Creek Drive                       |
| 10   | Cleveland Avenue/SR 3 @ E Hudson Street                            |

Improving the safety of Central Ohio's roadways takes a comprehensive approach, which includes engineering, education, enforcement, and emergency management efforts. MORPC is committed to working with state and local partners to combat severe crashes through this holistic lens. One example is the Local Safety Initiative, a partnership with the Ohio Department of Transportation to advance turnkey transportation safety services within the region. MORPC is currently piloting best ways to provide safety study assistance, coordinate road safety audits, and implement systematic safety improvements. These services will be provided to local communities to address safety issues occurring on the locally-maintained roadway system.

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“In Ohio, the majority of crashes, particularly severe crashes, occur on the locally-maintained roadway system,” said Kerstin Carr, director of planning and environment at MORPC. “Our Local Safety Initiative aims to provide resources and technical assistance to local communities to address the safety issues within their jurisdiction.”

With the upcoming Labor Day holiday, MORPC would like to remind the driving public to always wear their seatbelt, don't be distracted, and drive sober.

To view the entire list of high crash intersections, please visit [www.morpc.org/transportation/safety](http://www.morpc.org/transportation/safety).

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