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MORPC IN THE NEWS

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DATA & MAPPING

WSYX/Fox28

[Grieving mom wants more awareness that Morse Road is a magnet for traffic tragedy](#)

The Morse Road corridor has four of the most dangerous intersections in the city: Cleveland and Morse, Karl and Morse, Westerville Road and Morse, and Sunbury and Morse. According to the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, 65 percent of deadly crashes happen on 10 percent of Columbus streets. (11/8/22)

COLUMBUS DISPATCH

[3D mapping to show how development affects Franklin County neighborhoods](#)

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is creating 3D maps of Franklin County, a digital representation of communities, so officials and residents can determine which buildings would fit and which wouldn't. (11/14/22)

PERRY COUNTY TRIBUNE

[Commissioners discuss uses of House Bill 377 grant money](#)

We're working with Buckeye Hills Regional Council, as well as the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission to put together these planning applications and get their opinion on whether it meets the needs (of the application)," Carpenter said, highlighting that identifying partnership components for public and private entities and focusing on the three major points of workforce, public health and revitalization is essential in meeting the goals of the grant. (11/16/22)

WBNS-10TV

[An inside look at Wexner Medical Center's new hospital](#)

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) estimated that the population in the 15 central Ohio counties was about 2.37 million in 2018. Researchers projected region would exceed 3 million by the year 2050. (11/22/22)

GREENWAYS

COLUMBUS UNDERGROUND

[Cities Working Together to Turn Big Walnut Trail Plans Into Reality](#)

The funding source is the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's Attributable Funds Committee, which is responsible for distributing about \$126 million in federal transportation

funding this year. That total is up significantly from the last funding cycle, two years ago, but competition for the funds will still be highly competitive. (11/1/22)

HOUSING

COLUMBUS DISPATCH

[MORPC Matters: Central Ohio's appeal brings housing challenges, opportunities](#)

For many of us, the character of a community is an important reason why we choose to live or work there. With so many wonderful communities across Greater Columbus, it's not surprising that more people and businesses are moving to the region every day.

COLUMBUS DISPATCH

[Columbus Mayor Ginther wants suburbs, region to help create more affordable housing](#)

Jennifer Noll, MORPC's associate director for community development, said Reynoldsburg has changed its development review process so it can run more smoothly and thus save money on housing developments. (11/28/22)

WDLR Radio/In Your Backyard with Tom Wiebell

[Meeting Today's Housing Challenges In Your Backyard](#)

Union County Matters is now In Your Backyard with Tom Wiebell. He's a veteran broadcaster who has retired from public broadcasting at Ohio State. Tom will chat with people about events and things that matter in Union County and our neighboring counties. In today's episode, he speaks with Jennifer Noll of MORPC about the housing challenges in Central Ohio.

INTEL

BUSINESS FIRST OF COLUMBUS

[Licking County at a crossroads: How an "unprecedented" planning effort is helping Central Ohio prepare for Intel-related growth](#)

Kerstin Carr, MORPC's chief regional strategy officer and senior director of planning, said the solution can't be one size fits all. (11/3/22)

UNION COUNTY DAILY DIGITAL

[Commissioner get update from MORPC; Appoint Nowels to UCBDD](#)

Representatives from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, Executive Director William Murdock and Joseph Garrity, were on hand today to update the Commission on a number of matters. (11/30/22)

SUSTAINABILITY

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[Event Recap: Summit on Sustainability](#)

Last month, CURA attended the 2022 MORPC (Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission) Summit on Sustainability. This year's event theme, *Transforming Our Future*, featured various sessions in which speakers explored sustainability through the lens of diversity, equity, and inclusion. (11/1/22)

WKSU PUBLIC RADIO (NORTHEAST OHIO)

[Cleveland, Canton receive funding for air quality projects to study barriers to asthma management](#)

Ohio's remaining funds will be split between the Groundwork Ohio River Valley in Cincinnati, which received \$482,662, and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, which got \$500,000. (11/5/22)

TRANSPORTATION

BUSINESS FIRST OF COLUMBUS

[Amtrak service to Columbus: MORPC, Ohio mayor submit formal requests to advance the process](#)

Several Ohio mayors and planning agencies, including Columbus Mayor Andrew Ginther and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, have officially started the process to restore Amtrak service through Columbus without waiting for state-level support. (11/3/22)

AXIOS COLUMBUS

[Ohio's latest push for passenger rail](#)

Mayors and planners across Ohio have shipped their passenger rail wish lists to the federal government. In a series of letters, officials said a top priority remains a "3C+D" line linking Columbus to Cleveland, Cincinnati, and Dayton, with a possible connection to John Glenn International Airport. (11/7/22)

BUSINESS FIRST OF COLUMBUS

[The Weekly Rundown: Keys to activating downtown, finding workers, lobbying for rail](#)

Thea Ewing, MORPC's chief regional development officer, said it would be a good investment for Amtrak because Columbus is the largest city in the U.S. without passenger rail service. (11/11/22)

COLUMBUS DISPATCH

[What is the best time to leave for work in central Ohio?](#)

Commuters who work in Columbus and live in exurbs such as London or Lancaster have to leave early to make it to work on time, noted Nick Gill, transportation director for the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission. (11/18/22)

COLUMBUS DISPATCH

[Letter to the Editor: 'That bridge looks a bit scary'](#)

Have a close look at the excellent photograph on the Nov. 20 Metro cover captioned "The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission is sticking to its forecast of 3 million central Ohioans by 2050, in part because of the relatively easy commutes" by Courtney Hergesheimer. (11/23/22)

COLUMBUS DISPATCH

[Fishinger Road rebuilding project expected to take two years](#)

The city is expected to receive about \$8.4 million in federal transportation grants to be distributed by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission and another \$811,934 from the Ohio Department of Transportation. (11/24/22)

WVIZ/WKSU/WCLV/THE OHIO CHANNEL (PUBLIC RADIO)

[Statewide passenger rail could return](#)

A plan to bring passenger rail back to much of Ohio could be on track, a dozen years after it was rejected. Karen Kasler breaks it down with two agencies affected. And this time the proposal has support some might find surprising. A GOP Senator is in the studio. Marc Magilari is a spokesman for Amtrak. Thea Ewing is the Chief Regional Development Officer for MORPC. Niraj Antani is a state GOP state Senator from Miamisburg. (11/25/22)

COLUMBUS DISPATCH

[OPINION: Our cars aren't enough to keep Ohio moving. We desperately need passenger trains](#)

Back in 2021, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission conducted a study showing over 1 million new jobs and more than 3 million additional people are expected to live along possible passenger rail corridors in Ohio by the year 2050. (11/28/22)