

# I-70 FLOOD REMEDIATION

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PROFILE

The Thornwood Corridor project will address flooding issues that can cause Interstate 70 to be closed between SR 37 and SR 79. The project would include evaluation and subsequent implementation of improvements for necessary flood mitigation. When the highway is closed, traffic is rerouted on US 40 and other roadways, overwhelming local infrastructure for several days.

Prioritized by:  
**LICKING COUNTY**

**Project Type:**  
Transportation - Highways & Roads

**Estimated Cost:**  
TBD

**Lead Agency:**  
Ohio Department of Transportation

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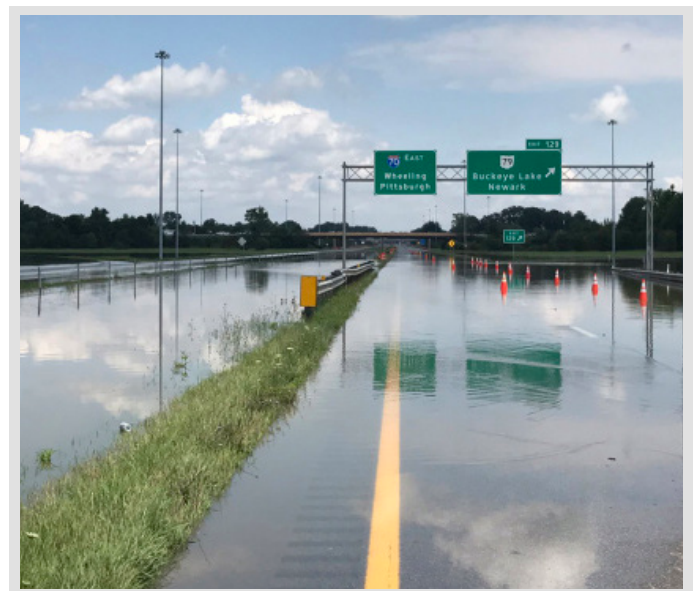
**Partner Agencies:**  
Licking County Area Transportation Study (LCATS), Licking County Engineer's Office, Licking County Soil & Water District, Grow Licking County CIC, Villages of Buckeye Lake and Hebron, Union Township, Heath-Newark-Licking Port Authority



**Project Location**  
Interstate 70 between SR 37 and SR 79

## Project Benefits

- Maintains competitive infrastructure by ensuring the resiliency of a nationally significant corridor during weather events
- Adds value to the transportation system by reducing closing events and reducing flooding damage to infrastructure
- Allows for continued economic growth of the state by ensuring freight and cargo movements are not interrupted
- Maximizes existing infrastructure by utilizing existing roads in already-developed corridors
- Aligns with existing planning documents, including LCATS Long-Range Multi-Modal Transportation Plan



Flooding event that closed the interstate in July 2017

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