

## Memorandum

**TO:** Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization  
CORPO Committee  
CORPO County Subcommittees

**FROM:** Mike Borger, Program Manager  
CORPO

**DATE:** 07/12/2022

**SUBJECT** TRAC Applications within the CORPO Study Area

The Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) administers a selection process for the Ohio Department of Transportation's (ODOT) largest transportation project investments, funded through their Major New Capacity Program. These are projects that have a total project cost of more than \$12 million, add transportation capacity, and are critical to the mobility, economic development, and quality of life of Ohio residents. The 2022 application period closed at the end of May, with two applications submitted from agencies within the Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization planning area (CORPO).

Applications for projects located within CORPO's planning area include:

### **US 23 & SR 762 Interchange**

This project will complete the development-driven improvements and masterplan envisioned for the Rickenbacker East-West Connector by converting the existing intersection into a full interchange. ODOT District 6 is requesting to move to New Project status and requests \$4 million for Preliminary Engineering in fiscal year 2023 and \$4 million for Detailed Design in fiscal year 2025.

### **State Route 13 Relocation**

This proposed project would relocate SR-13 to the southwest along the Kokosing River and connect South Main Street to Sandusky Street. This new 3-lane road would replace Phillips Dr. and carry 2-way traffic. This project will increase the buffer between the road and the river. This project also proposes to reroute SR-229 and US-36 through downtown Mount Vernon to reduce the amount of vehicular traffic traveling through Public Square and improve pedestrian mobility. The City of Mount Vernon is requesting to move to Tier II status, and requests \$3.26 million for right-of-way acquisition in fiscal year 2024.

One-page fact sheets on the projects are attached and available at [\*\*morpc.org/funding\*\*](https://morpc.org/funding).

The CORPO area applications represent over \$11 million in funding requests for the CORPO region.

New this year, as part of the TRAC selection process, ODOT requests that RTPOs like CORPO provide local input by prioritizing the applications for projects that fall within the agency's transportation planning boundaries. For CORPO, this process includes analyzing each project with how it aligns with the region's transportation and development goals as detailed in CORPO's Transportation Plan (CTP). To the extent

possible, staff will utilize the criteria outlined in the Policies for Managing CORPO Dedicated Funds to assess the two TRAC projects relative to the CTP goals.

The public is also encouraged to provide comments or any additional information to help set CORPO's priorities, including advantages and/or disadvantages of projects. All comments must be submitted by e-mail to [mborger@morpc.org](mailto:mborger@morpc.org) or in writing to Mike Borger, Re: TRAC Public Input, 111 Liberty Street, Suite 100, Columbus, OH 43215. The deadline to submit feedback is 5 p.m. on Friday, August 12, 2022.

The CORPO staff timeline for prioritizing the two TRAC submissions is:

- Now through mid August: Assess the projects relative to the CTP goals
- Now through August 12: receive feedback from the CORPO Committee, county subcommittees and the public
- August 22: Staff will email draft priorities and rationale to CORPO Committee and county subcommittees for review and comment
- September 2: Receive feedback from CORPO Committee and county Subcommittees on draft priorities
- September 13: Staff submit prioritized projects to the TRAC

The TRAC will hold public hearings around the state in September and October. The specific date and time of the central Ohio location is yet to be determined. CORPO staff will present the priorities during the public hearing. TRAC is schedule to announce the draft list on November 16th and approve the final list on December 14th. Staff will continue to keep members up to date on the TRAC process.

**Attachment: CORPO TRAC Applicant One-Page Fact Sheets**

# US 23 & SR 762 Interchange

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project will complete the development-driven improvements and master plan envisioned for the Rickenbacker East-West Connector by converting the existing intersection into a full interchange.

## 2022 TRAC REQUEST

ODOT District 6 is requesting to move to New Project status, and requests \$4 million for Preliminary Engineering in fiscal year 2023 and \$4 million for Detailed Design in fiscal year 2025.

## PROJECT DETAILS

**Project Name:** PIC-US23/SR762-21.08/11.17

**Common Name:** US 23 & SR 762 Interchange

**Sponsor:** ODOT District 6

**ODOT Project ID:** 115425

**CORPO CTP Project:** Yes

**Competitive Advantage Project:** Yes

**Total Project Cost:** \$70 million

**Current TRAC Status:** New Project

**Requested TRAC Status:** Tier II—Development

## PROJECT SCHEDULE

### PLANNING STUDIES

COMPLETE  
5/1/2020

### INTERCHANGE STUDIES

Not Started  
6/1/2024 (est.)

### PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

In Progress  
7/1/2024 (est.)

### ENVIRONMENTAL NEPA APPROVAL

In Progress  
12/1/2024 (est.)

### DETAILED DESIGN

Not Started  
6/1/2025 (est.)

### RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION

Not Started  
12/1/2025 (est.)

### UTILITY RELOCATION

Not Started  
5/1/2026 (est.)

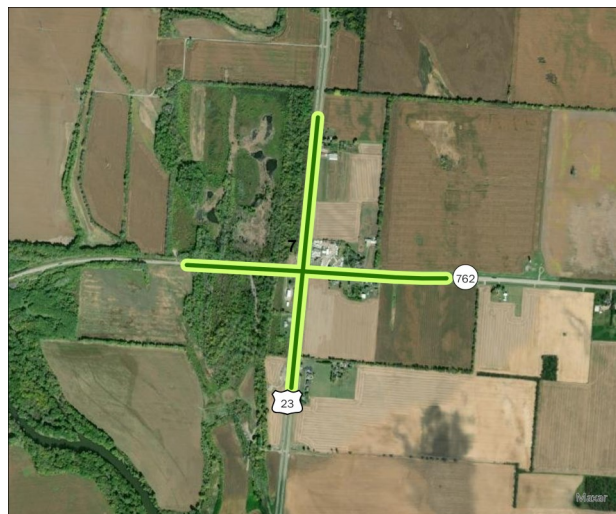
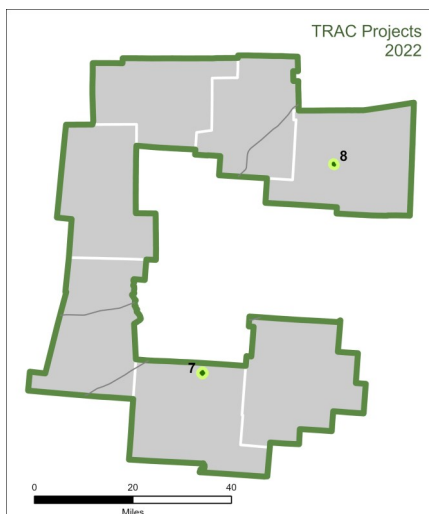
## PROJECT LOCATION

**County:** Pickaway

**Municipality:** Unincorporated Harrison Township

**ODOT District:** District 6

**Routes:** US 23, SR 762



# State Route 13 Relocation

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## 2022 TRAC REQUEST

The City of Mount Vernon is requesting to move to Tier II status, and requests \$3.26 million for right-of-way acquisition in fiscal year 2024.

## PROJECT DETAILS

**Project Name:** KNO-13-10.99

**Common Name:** State Route 13 Relocation

**Sponsor:** City of Mount Vernon

**ODOT Project ID:** 116840

**CORPO CTP Project:** Yes

**Competitive Advantage Project:** Yes

**Total Project Cost:** \$15.1 million

**Current TRAC Status:** New Project

**Requested TRAC Status:** Tier II—Development

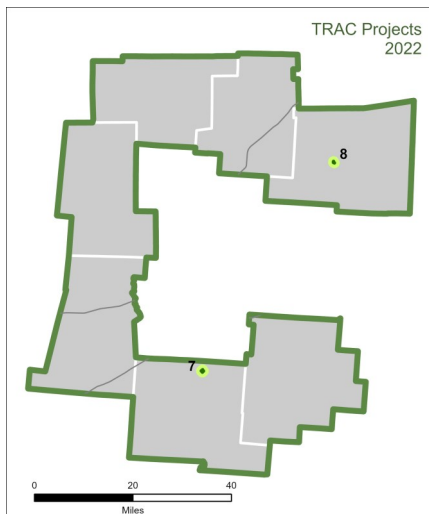
## PROJECT LOCATION

**County:** Knox

**Municipality:** Mount Vernon

**ODOT District:** District 5

**Routes:** SR13



## PROJECT SCHEDULE

### PLANNING STUDIES

COMPLETE  
12/18/2018

### INTERCHANGE STUDIES

Not Started  
N/A

### PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

Not Started  
10/1/2023 (est.)

### ENVIRONMENTAL NEPA APPROVAL

Not Started  
11/1/2023 (est.)

### DETAILED DESIGN

Not Started  
3/1/2025 (est.)

### RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION

Not Started  
10/1/2024 (est.)

### UTILITY RELOCATION

Not Started  
4/1/2025 (est.)