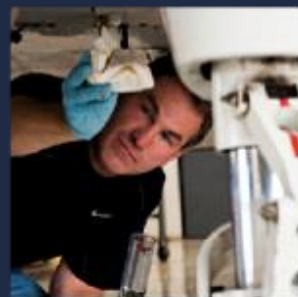
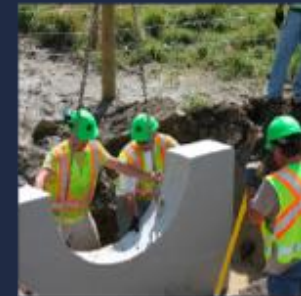


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TRIBAL CONSULTATION: INCREASING EFFICIENCY WITHOUT SACRIFICING RELATIONSHIPS

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2016 TRANSPORTATION TRIBAL SUMMIT

- Transportation Tribal Summit:
 - Planned by ODOT environmental staff, FHWA staff, consultant facilitator (SRI), and Ohio History Connection staff
- November 2016 in Columbus, Ohio
- Invited 17 tribes; 9 tribes were able to send representatives



2016 TRANSPORTATION TRIBAL SUMMIT

What we learned:

- Each tribe has different requirements for how, when, and how much they would like to be consulted on projects—a one-size-fits-all approach is not appropriate
- Face-to-face meetings and relationship development/maintenance is very important



2016 TRANSPORTATION TRIBAL SUMMIT

Results:

- Tribal consultation must be customized to each tribe's needs
- ODOT's online environmental documentation system—EnviroNet—can be upgraded to facilitate tribal consultation



ENVIRONET UPGRADE

- \$700,000 secured for upgrades
- Began data gathering (feature requirements) in early 2017 shortly after the Tribal Summit
- Completed this phase in October 2017
 - Updated tribes on progress at the 2017 Tribal Nations Conference
- Now coding is largely complete and the testing phase has begun
- Upgrades will be ready to roll out to tribes ahead of the 2018 Tribal Summit in October

ENVIRONET UPGRADE—TRIBAL PROFILE PAGE

Each tribe will have their own profile

Project Notification Profile for Native American Tribes

Select a Tribal Profile to view: x v

Tonawanda Seneca Nation

Tribe Contacts

Tribe Contact	Receives Emails
Employee Co Test (test.cotemplo@dot.state.oh.us)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Test Tribe (tribetest@asdf.com)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

ENVIRONET UPGRADE—TRIBAL PROFILE PAGE

Project Notification Profile for Native American Tribes

1. Select the **county(counties)** for which you would like to be notified:

All Districts

District 1

Allen

Defiance

Hancock

Hardin

Paulding

Putnam

Van Wert

Wyandot

District 2

Fulton

Henry

Lucas

Ottawa

Sandusky

Seneca

Williams

Wood

District 3

Ashland

Crawford

Erie

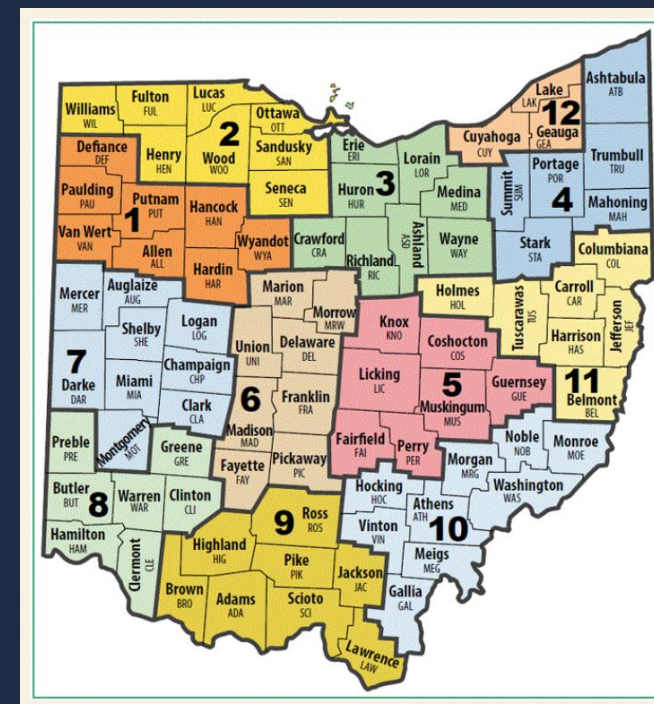
Huron

Lorain

Medina

Richland

Wayne




ENVIRONET UPGRADE—TRIBAL PROFILE PAGE

Project Notification Profile for Native American Tribes

2. Select the **project type(s)** for which you would like to be notified:

Examples: Guardrail upgrade/replacement, Major Rehabilitation, Bridge Deck Replacement, Bridge Replacement, Intersection Improvement, etc.

3. Would you like to be notified when a **project is created**? :

Yes

Automatic notification when a project meeting the selected parameters is created in EnviroNet.

ENVIRONET UPGRADE—TRIBAL PROFILE PAGE

Project Notification Profile for Native American Tribes

4. Select the **document(s)** for which you would like to be notified:

Examples: Feasibility Study, Phase I Archaeology Report, Determination of Effects Report, etc.

5. Select the **Effect Determination Level(s)** for which you would like to be notified:

Examples: Cultural Resources Determination Appendix A or Appendix B (cleared under PA) or All Other Section 106 Determinations

ENVIRONET UPGRADE—CULTURAL RESOURCES TAB

The Cultural Resources Tab will include information for the CE document:

Home | Helpful Links | Spellcheck Dictionary | Validate | View CE | View ECF

Project File | Form Administration | Document Level | Project Type | Project Details | General | Purpose & Need | Alternatives | Air | Noise | ESA | **Cultural Resources** | Ecology

ROS Industrial Parkway PID (99764)

Section: Cultural Resources

Cultural Properties Present

1. Please describe all of the efforts made to identify Historic Properties (including lit review, field investigation, etc.):

HISTORY/ARCHITECTURE REVIEW
No structure occurs within or immediately adjacent to the construction limits of the proposed road extension. A 1996 cultural resource survey identified a small brick structure (ROS-0817 -07) immediately east of the APE on the south side of Worthington Run, generally adjacent to the proposed detention pond. This building constructed after decommission and dismantling of Camp Sherman, served as a prison farm office

ENVIRONET UPGRADE—TRIBAL CONSULTATION SUB-TAB

The Tribal Consultation sub-tab will be completed by each tribe

Section: Tribal Consultation

Consultation

Tribe To Edit:

1. Would you like to continue to be involved with this project?	<input type="text" value="Yes"/> <input type="button" value="v"/>	Last Updated By:	Erica Schneider	7/12/2018
2. Do you agree with the findings of eligibility?	<input type="text" value="Yes"/> <input type="button" value="v"/>	Last Updated By:	Erica Schneider	7/12/2018
3. Do you agree with the effect determination?	<input type="text" value="Yes"/> <input type="button" value="v"/>	Last Updated By:	Erica Schneider	7/12/2018

Comments

Tribe Comments

Tribe	Subject	Location (Tab/Section)	Comment	Response	Creation Date	Sensitive Information
Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma	Phase I Archaeology	Project File	The Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma agrees with the findings in the archaeology report. <i>Submitted By: Erica Schneider 7/12/2018</i>	Thank you for your response. We will continue to notify you as the project progresses. <i>Submitted By: Erica Schneider 7/12/2018</i>	Thu Jul 12 2018 04:28:07 GMT-0400 (Eastern Daylight Time)	<input type="checkbox"/>

ENVIRONET UPGRADE—SHPO COORDINATION SUB-TAB

The Cultural Resources Coordination sub-tab will include SHPO coordination and/or information about projects cleared under the PA

Section: Cultural Resource Coordination

1. Is this project being cleared under Appendix A or Appendix B? No

2. Is this a re-evaluation that requires activation of the other sub-section below? No

▲ OES Effect Determination/SHPO Coordination

▲ SHPO Coordination

Transmittal Summary

Transmittal	Transmittal Type	Subject	OES Approval Date
1 Transmittal 1	Section 106 Formal 30 Day Review	Effect Determination	

Delete Add

▲ Transmittal 1

View Transmittal

17. Transmittal Type Section 106 Formal 30 Day Review

19. Subject Effect Determination

SHPO Staff Concurrence Date

▲ Comments

SHPO Comments

Subject	Location (Tab Section)	Comment	Response
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ENVIRONET UPGRADES

Tribal Notifications will be automatic based on their profiles:

- Area(s) of interest
- Types of projects
- Type of submittal
- Point in the Section 106 process
- Notifications to person(s) listed

The tribes can change their profiles at any time.

ENVIRONET UPGRADES

Tribes can access all files in the project file, review tabs, make comments within the system, and upload files.

ODOT also built in the ability to notify tribes manually if the need arises:

- If there is a project of special interest or if unusual circumstances occur, ODOT-OES Cultural Resources staff can override the tribal profiles and notify all tribes
- We can also individually notify tribes of specific information

NOT JUST TECHNOLOGY...

- ODOT also recognizes the importance of personal relationships to tribal representatives. We don't want this to become mindless/faceless automated transmissions.
- Therefore, we have created a Tribal Liaison position in our office to facilitate relationships.
- The tribal liaison maintains frequent personal contact with tribal representatives.
- We plan continue to partner with OHC to hold Tribal Nations Conferences in Ohio
- Over the past three years we have forged a positive working relationship with the tribes.

NEXT STEPS

- Begin User Acceptance Testing in August
 - Both ODOT users and selected tribal users will test (tribal users that have expressed an interest in testing the application)
- Fix bugs and get ready for roll-out
- Roll-out to tribes at 2018 Tribal Nations Conference in October
 - Have time and computers set aside for tribes to set up their profiles at the conference (with ODOT assistance).

QUESTIONS



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