

ROAD REPORT

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FROM THE DEPUTY ENGINEER

Bridge inspections are finally completed. It has really been a challenge this winter due to all the rain. Water has been running higher than normal under the bridges but we are finally done. Bridge repairs have been identified and a bridge repair list has been given to Chad. Next will be culvert inspections. We are focusing on upcoming bid dates for the Various RPM's project, which per ODOT requirements need to be bid and awarded before March 30, 2012. We are also looking at getting out a pavement striping contract. We are currently inspecting roads to come up with a list for this year's contract. A letter was sent out to the Townships for a list of roads that they would like to include with our Pavement Striping contract. So far we have heard from a few Townships but the deadline for their lists to be returned to us is today. We are looking at evaluating the ditches that are on list to be cleaned this year, some ditches will be cleaned by our own forces (this work has already started) and others will be done by outside contractors. Some of these ditches need to be surveyed and designed. Others will be ready to be done sooner (if it ever stops raining!!!).

For construction updates, B. Hill's Excavating completed their work on CR 26 last week and their work is done except for seeding and mulching. Lake Erie Construction also finished their guardrail work on CR 117.

One last note. At our last staff meeting it was brought up the need to try to eliminate unnecessary hardcopies and extra paperwork; therefore we will try to use more digital copies for some of our daily forms, like: Daily phone logs, Daily foreman's reports, etc. The daily phone logs have already been developed using Microsoft Excel and the girls and Jim have already been using them. The Daily foreman's report and other forms will also be coming soon on a digital format. We are working on getting a few more computers installed in the superintendent's office to facilitate the forms being filled out on a daily basis. This will greatly diminish the amount of paperwork that gets filed daily. Think Green!!! Have a great weekend!!

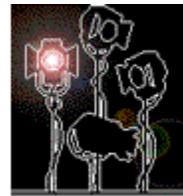
HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Eric Wheatley	January 30 th
Jenna Sommers	February 4 th
Perry Hill	February 8 th

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

(Years of County Employment)

Chad Bender	February 2 nd	3 years
Andy Brough	February 2 nd	3 years



EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

Employee: Cody Amor

Title: Foreman

Date Hired: January 2, 2005

Spouse: Hayley

Children: Cyler and Ava

Pets: None, always sounds like a good idea until we get them.

Favorite Song: Guarantees- By Atmosphere

Hobbies: Outdoor activities with my family.

Claim to fame: Average white guy.

Pet Peeve: Jay Berschback

FROM THE OFFICE MANAGER

Security System

The system will no longer "auto alarm" after an hour, it is very important to swipe your fob when leaving after hours.

Paycheck

Reminder –An additional 4% was taken out for OPERS.

W-2 Wage and Tax Statement

Included with paycheck is your W-2.

FROM THE ROAD SUPERINTENDENT

I would like to welcome our newest employee to the road department, Tony Hartshorn. Tony started on January 23. He will be a good addition to our work force.

DITCH CLEANING

Mark has been chugging along on his ditch on CR 65. He has had to hammer out sections of rock to get the flow line where needed. Cody and Tim R. finished cleaning a ditch on CR. 12. They are now moving down the road to start another ditch on CR. 12. The wet weather has slowed these projects down, but we will try to work through it.

TINDALL BRIDGE REPAIRS

This project has been a slow one. Again, with the rainy weather it's been hard to finish welding the grating down. With some help Mother Nature next week, we should finish it up.

IN THE PITS

Jeff, Andy, and Steve have been busy keeping up with the repairs and services. Jeff and Andy have also been repairing the fuel tanks on 988 and 986. Steve installed the radios in the new single axles.

SIGN SHOP

Perry and Chad B. have been working on a list of green sign repairs plus any other repairs that come up. They have also repaired a few mailboxes that came down in last weekend's snow event.

ROAD MAINTENANCE

- Ed is still out mowing back banks.
- Tree stump grindings were cleaned up from contract work.
- Trucks were dumped and washed.
- Barricades are being repaired.
- Night shift is keeping the vehicles clean.
- Building #2 and #11 were cleaned.