



**PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE May 5, 2009
4:00pm-6:30pm**

*****NO FORMAL PRESENTATIONS WILL BE GIVEN***
PLEASE VIEW ANY OR ALL OF THE THREE SAFETY PROJECTS AND NEWARK'S VISION FOR SR 13
EXHIBITS AT YOUR OWN PACE**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

The Licking County Area Transportation Study (LCATS) initiated several safety studies along SR 16 within the City of Newark to examine the safety concerns and traffic operations. As a result of these studies, and in consultation with ODOT and the City of Newark several areas were identified which needed to be addressed. ODOT, LCATS and the City of Newark have partnered to fund these projects and establish time frames for construction.

The three main areas in the City of Newark along SR 16 are:

- 1) The interchange with SR 16 and 21st Street (PID 81967)
- 2) The interchange with Hudson Avenue and SR 13 and SR 16 (PID 81969)
- 3) The partial interchange at Buena Vista and SR 16 and the interchange of SR 16 with Cedar Street (SR 79) (PID 82757)

As a result of reconfiguring the ramps at SR 13 and SR 16 interchange, the City of Newark will be presenting their future plans for rerouting SR 13 within the City of Newark. This long range plan is dependent on 2009 construction project that reconfigures the SR 13 bridge over SR 16 (PID 81969).

PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE INFORMATION-FORMAT:

The open house provides information for each safety project and the long range plan of the City of Newark for the rerouting of SR 13 in downtown Newark.

- Each project and the City of Newark's future plan are represented at its own display area with mapping, and a separate handout with project specific information.
- ODOT, LCATS and City of Newark representatives will be on hand to answer any questions and receive comments you may have as you review the information.
- Comments may be submitted via the comment sheet, located at the comment table or via email.

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THE NEXT STEPS:

- ODOT, LCATS, and the City of Newark will review and consider the comments in making the final decision on the proposed safety improvements. Comment sheets for 21st and Buena Vista/Cedar Street are due to ODOT by **May 19, 2009**. The SR 13 reconfiguration through the City of Newark is also due **May 19, 2009**.
- The following is a listing of contacts which can provide additional information regarding the projects:
City of Newark-Brian Moorehead-740-670-7727 bmoorehead@newarkohio.net
ODOT –D 5 Traffic and Safety-Ty Thompson-740-323-4400 ty.thompson@dot.state.oh.us
ODOT-D 5 Project Programming and Funding-Julie Gwinn-740-323-4400, julie.gwinn@dot.state.oh.us
ODOT-D5 Real Estate-Jason Sturgeon-740-323-4400, jason.sturgeon@dot.state.oh.us
- A general summary of the comments from the meeting and any changes to the SR 16 Safety Project in the City of Newark will be posted on ODOT's website by late summer 2009. www.dot.state.oh.us/districts/D05.