

District Nine, 650 Eastern Avenue, P.O. Box 467, Chillicothe, Ohio 45601-0467

March 13, 2000

Honorable Dennis Stapleton State Representative 88th Ohio House District 77 South High Street, 13th Floor Columbus, Ohio 43266-0603

RE: Intersection of US 50 and SR 134

Dear Representative Stapleton:

Thank you for giving us this opportunity to discuss our studies of the intersections of US 50 and SR 134.

This is an offset intersection located within the unincorporated named community of Dodsonville. The south leg of SR 134 being located just east of a crest vertical curve, with the north leg of SR 134 located approximately 370 feet to the east. The south leg of SR 134's intersection with US 50 has the greatest sight distance restriction. Already present at these intersections are side road warning signs located in advance of them on US 50. The south leg of SR 134 also has overhead flashers to warn the motorists on US 50 of this intersection's presence. Another noteworthy safety measure present at this location, is the 45 MPH speed zone that starts 0.33 miles to the west of the south leg of SR 134, and ends 0.21 miles east of the north leg of SR 134.

Preliminary studies resulting from the centerline survey that was performed has determined to correct the intersection sight distance problems will require that the profile of US 50 be corrected. This will require lowering US 50 west of the south leg of SR 134 and raising it to the east side. Performing this work would affect up to two residences, a business, a church that possibly is historical, and a township building that could be historical. Presently it is estimated the cost of performing this work is approaching \$250,000.

Another possible improvement that we are investigating involves moving the south leg of SR 134 further to the west. To perform this work would require buying the right-of-way, and would affect a business and a residence. To correct the sight distance problems associated with the north leg of SR 134 would still require lowering the grade of US 50. Present estimates to perform this work is \$400,000.

Our investigations have found that in four years we have had six accidents recorded at this site. The accident rate at this location has not flagged this location as a problem area. But because of the intersection sight distance problems at this location, we have added this to the locations that our Highway Safety Review Team studies for improvements.

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The Highway Safety Review Team believes their investigations will be completed within the year, and we cannot give an accurate estimate of when corrective actions would be implemented until their studies are completed, and a source of funding is identified. I will notify you when this information comes available.

Please call me if I can be of any further service.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you in this issue.

Respectfully,

John F. Hagen, P.E.

District 9 Deputy Director

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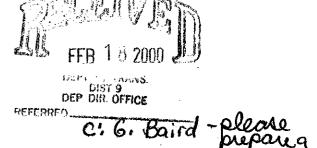
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Dennis Stapleton State Representative 88th Ohlo House District

February 12, 2000

Ohio Department of Transportation District Nine Office Mr. John Hagan P. E. P. O. Box 467 Chillicothe, Ohio 45601-0467

Dear Mr. Hagan:



I am writing to you concerning the intersection of US 50 and SR 134. As you are aware, Mr. Greg Hawk, Superintendent of Lynchburg-Clay Local Schools has expressed concern about this intersection since 1997.

Per your letter of April 12, 1999 to Mr. Hawk, the local residents are aware that ODOT performed a survey of this intersection. Further, your letter of April 12, 1999 indicates that ODOT was evaluating the results of that survey and that a determination of corrective measures for the intersection would follow.

I would appreciate a timeline for the completion of the evaluation of the survey and an estimate of when corrective action to the intersection could begin. I understand that completion of any corrective action to the intersection would be dependant upon the nature of the corrective action recommended by the evaluation. I do not require you to attempt to commit to specific dates. Nevertheless, I must urge you to provide the local community with a reasonable estimate of when progressive action may be seen.

If I can be of any service in this matter, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Dennis Stapleton State Representative 88th Ohio House District

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Enclosure

CC: Hawk



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April 12, 1999

Mr. R. Gregory Hawk Superintendent. Lynchburg-Clay Local School District P.O. Box 515 Lynchburg, Ohio 45142

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Dear Mr. Hawk:

Thank you for your letter expressing your concerns over the intersection of US 50 and SR 134.

We have performed a survey of this intersection and are currently evaluating the results of our survey to determine what corrective measures we can take. We will be getting back in contact with you to let you know the results of our investigation.

Please call me at 1-888-819-8501 if you need further assistance in this matter.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve you in this issue.

Respectfully

John F. Hagen, P.E.

District 9 Deputy Director

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cc: Hill, Chaffin, file