

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT HANDOUT

EAST STATE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, SHARON, MERCER COUNTY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This multimodal improvement project will include East State Street (Route 518) from North Sharpsville Avenue to North Oakland Avenue. The project is being funded through a Surface Transportation Urban Grant awarded to the City of Sharon in 2022.

The proposed pedestrian improvements will include replacement of existing curb and sidewalk, updating the curb ramps to be ADA compliant, and planting of appropriate trees and landscaping. The project also includes the installation of additional drainage infrastructure on both sides of the roadway to control flooding during rain events.

The City of Sharon is sponsoring the project, will consist of some PennDOT oversight, and construction bidding and administration through PennDOT's ECMS system.

PROJECT AREA

East State Street is a two-lane north-south, other principal arterial road with a posted speed limit of 35 mph. The project length area consists of approximately 1,600 feet along East State Street and approximately 180 feet along Pine Street. East State Street has an average daily traffic of approximately 7,800.





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ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

The funding was awarded to the City of Sharon in 2022. Work is expected to take place during the 2024 and 2025 construction seasons. Work must be completed within 18 months upon start of work date.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS

No detours are expected during the project and traffic will be maintained with two lanes through the project area. Short-term lane closures with traffic c controlled by flaggers will be used as needed.

Access to businesses will be maintained throughout the project.

Portions of the work will require pedestrian detours. Construction of sidewalk and curbs will be limited to one side of Route 518 at a time.

CONSTRUCTION FUNDING

This project is being funded by the federal grant and by the City of Sharon. The estimated cost is \$500,000 to \$1 million.

CURRENT PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

The purpose of the public comment period is to introduce the project and receive input regarding any questions or concerns with the project. It is also an opportunity for the public to review and comment on the project's potential effect upon Cultural Resources pursuant to the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation's 36 CFR Part 800 regulations implementing Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act. The project documents can be made available in alternative languages or formats if requested.

Comments and questions can be submitted to PennDOT Project Manager Kyle Barker at kybarker@pa.gov, 814-678-7166, or 255 Elm Street, Oil City, PA 16301. An online comment form for the E State Street Revitalization is also available at www.penndot.pa.gov/District1.