MINUTES OF THE
OHIO TURNPIKE AND INFRASTRUCTURE COMMISSION
SEPTEMBER 21, 2026 WORKSHOP

The September 21, 2026 Workshop of the Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission was called to order at 12:32 p.m. by Chairman Jerry Hruby.

Upon completion of roll call, Chairman Hruby advised that there was a quorum.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Present:

- Chairman Jerry N. Hruby;
- Vice Chair, Guy C. Coviello;
- Commission Member, Colleen Shay Murray;
- ODOT Member Ex-Officio, John Picuri; and
- Assistant Secretary-Treasurer Ferzan M. Ahmed.

Excused:

- Secretary-Treasurer June E. Taylor;
- Office of Budget Management, Paul Disantis;
- Senator Jane M. Timken;
- State Representative Haraz N. Ghanbari.

OTHER ATTENDEES:

Ohio Turnpike and Infrastructure Commission Employees:

- Chief Engineer/Deputy Executive Director, Chris Matta;
- General Counsel, Jennifer Monty Rieker;
- Director of Administration, Lisa Zamiska;
- Design and Planning Engineer, Daniel Rodriguez;
- Staff Attorney, Monica Gibson;
- Chief Financial Officer, Lisa Mejac;
- Legal Records Coordinator, Tara Cottrell;
- Legal Administrative Assistant, Jennifer Diaz;
- Marketing and Communications Specialist, Zakk Sheehan; and
- Public Information Officer, Brian Newbacher.

Guests: No outside guests in attendance in person.

PRESENTATION(S):

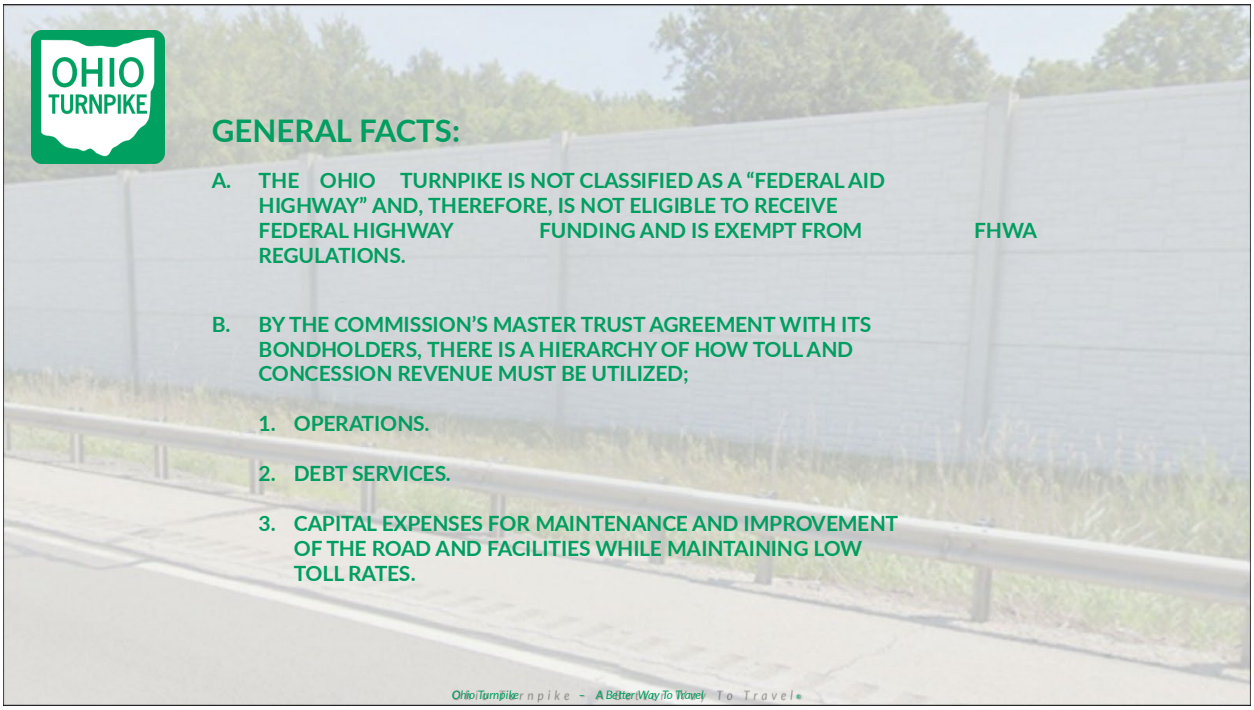
1. Presentation regarding Noise Mitigation by Design and Planning Engineer, Dan Rodriguez (Attached).

WORKSHOP ADJOURNED: With no further business before the Commission, a Motion was made by Chairman Hruby and seconded by Commission Member Shay Murray to adjourn at 1:12 p.m.

Yeas: All

PRESENTATION





HISTORY OF NOISE BARRIERS ALONG THE TURNPIKE:

A. PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT – 1994

B. HB 67 (2007) – NOISE IMPACT MITIGATION STUDY AND 2 PILOT PROJECTS

C. HB 51 (2013) – NOISE BARRIERS BUILT WITHIN TURNPIKE R/W WITH TURNPIKE MITIGATION FUND, ADMINISTERED AND MAINTAINED BY ODOT





HOW DOES ODOT FUND NOISE MITIGATION; WHAT IS THEIR PROCESS?

A. ODOT TYPICALLY INCLUDES THE COSTS OF NOISE MITIGATION IN THEIR PROPOSED FEDERAL - AID HIGHWAY PROJECTS. THE FEDERAL SHARE IS THE SAME AS THAT FOR THE HIGHWAY SYSTEM ON WHICH THE PROJECT IS LOCATED.

B. ODOT NOISE ANALYSIS MANUAL: ANALYSIS AND ABATEMENT OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC NOISE, PER FHWA REQUIREMENTS:

ODOT HAS TWO PROGRAM TYPES:

1. "NEW PROJECTS" (TYPE I)
2. "PRE - EXISTING PROPERTIES" (TYPE II)

DEVELOPING GUIDANCE FOR NOISE MITIGATION ALONG THE OHIO TURNPIKE

A. OTIC DRAFT GUIDANCE WOULD CLOSELY FOLLOW THE ODOT PROCEDURE FOR PROJECT TYPE AND NOISE MITIGATION ANALYSIS.

B. DEFINITION OF OTIC TYPE I PROJECT WHEN NOISE MITIGATION WILL BE CONSIDERED:

I. HIGHWAY ON NEW LOCATION – NEW ROADWAY ON NEW RIGHT - OF - WAY.
II. SUBSTANTIAL HORIZONTAL OR VERTICAL ALTERATION.
III. ADDED THROUGH - TRAFFIC LANES – WIDENING ROADWAY FOR ADDITIONAL LANES.
IV. ADDED OR EXTENDED AUXILIARY LANES – EXCEEDNG ¼ MILE.
V. ADDED OR RELOCATED INTERCHANGE RAMPS.
VI. ADDED TOLL PLAZA OR SERVICE PLAZA

DISCUSSION