

## News from the Ohio Turnpike

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## Turnpike Awards Contract for Fulton, Lucas bridge rehab

Reminder for travelers: Move over or slow down in work zones

April 29, 2014 (Berea) – The Ohio Turnpike & Infrastructure Commission (OTIC) announced an award for a construction contract for the rehabilitation of 14 bridges over the Ohio Turnpike from Milepost 22.7 to Milepost 62.8 in Fulton and Lucas Counties.

The contract was awarded to Suburban Maintenance & Construction, Inc., of North Royalton,
Ohio, in the amount of \$1,757,604, which was the lowest responsive and responsible bid among
those submitted for review by the Commission.

"This contract award puts Ohioans to work and helps keep the Turnpike safe and modern," said

Executive Director Rick Hodges. "When you travel the Ohio Turnpike this summer, please be cautious in our work zones. Please move over or slow down to avoid a tragedy and a ticket."

Also included among the contracts was an award to Aero-Mark, Inc., of Streetsboro, Ohio, in the amount of \$637,000 to furnish and apply retro-reflective pavement markings on the entire Ohio

Turnpike mainline roadway and its Interchange ramps.

The Commission also authorized participation in the Ohio Department of Transportation's Cooperative Purchasing Program for Sodium Chloride (rock salt) for the 2014/2015 Snow & Ice Season. The Commission is planning to purchase 82,200 tons of road salt at an estimated cost of \$2.6 million. During the past winter, the Turnpike used 99,237 tons of rock salt, a new record.

This season, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and OTIC will operate more than 2,000 work zones on roadways around the state. OTIC encourages customers to follow it on Facebook <a href="www.facebook.com/OhioTurnpikeCommission">www.facebook.com/OhioTurnpikeCommission</a> and Twitter <a href="www.twitter.com/@ohioturnpike">www.twitter.com/@ohioturnpike</a> or to check <a href="www.ohioturnpike.org">www.ohioturnpike.org</a> for construction and travel updates.

REMINDER: When driving through work zones, motorists can increase safety by following these simple tips:

- Stay alert and give driving your full attention;
- Follow all posted signs and obey flaggers;
- Don't tailgate or speed; most crashes in work zones are rear-end collisions;
- Expect the unexpected;
- Beware that normal traffic patterns may be shifted.

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The Ohio Turnpike is a 241-mile toll road offering one of the safest, best and most convenient routes for motorists to reach east/west destinations along the northern corridor of Ohio. The Ohio Turnpike & Infrastructure Commission provides excellent customer service and amenities to meet travelers' wants and needs, including state-of-the-art service plazas, a variety of restaurant choices, and routine maintenance for a smooth, pleasant trip. For a better travel experience, choose the Ohio Turnpike.

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