

06/11/87

OHIO TURNPIKE COMMISSION

Resolution Approving the Location, Design
and Construction of an Interchange with
Interstate Route 75 and the Ohio Turnpike in
the Vicinity of Milepost 64.5 in Wood County, Ohio

WHEREAS, Revised Code of Ohio, Section 5537.04 (J) provides that this Commission may designate the locations, and establish, limit, and control such points of ingress to and egress from the Ohio Turnpike as are necessary or desirable in the judgment of the Commission and of the Director of Transportation to insure the proper operation and maintenance thereof;

WHEREAS, it has been expected since Interstate Route 75 was constructed across the Ohio Turnpike in the late 1960's that an interchange between the two facilities would eventually be constructed and some design and provisions for a freeway-to-freeway interchange facility were made at the time I-75 was constructed;

WHEREAS, the Turnpike has remained and will remain a toll road for longer than was then anticipated which has precluded the construction of a freeway-to-freeway interchange;

WHEREAS, the Commission recognizes the need and desirability to connect these two major and important Interstate roadways without further delay so as to promote the purposes of the Ohio Turnpike Act, particularly as set forth in the Ohio Revised Code, Section 5537.03, and also to relieve congestion on adjoining interchanges on the Turnpike and connecting roadways;

WHEREAS, the Commission desires to cooperate and coordinate with the State of Ohio and other agencies interested and involved in the highway network in the vicinity of the Ohio Turnpike at its intersection with Interstate Route 75;

WHEREAS, the Commission is willing to perform and fund the design, construction and operation of a toll-type interchange between the Turnpike and I-75 with its own financial resources, but also wishes to pursue the timely availability of other funds to help finance the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED that, pursuant to Section 5537.04 (J) of the Ohio Revised Code, this Commission does hereby formally designate a connection of Interstate Route 75 with the Ohio Turnpike at the approximate crossing of I-75 at milepost 64.5 of the Turnpike in Wood County, Ohio, subject to the concurrence of the Director of the Ohio Department of Transportation; and

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission's Executive Director be, and hereby he is, authorized and directed to engage the services of such consulting firm or firms as he deems capable and appropriate to accomplish the expeditious study and design of a toll interchange between I-75 and the Ohio Turnpike and to confer with the Ohio Department of Transportation so as to coordinate such design with any other projects contemplated for this area that would affect the proposed interchange; and

Copies sent to respective members
and in-house copies on 06/12/87

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commission determines hereby that its costs and expenses for the study and design phase of the toll-interchange project shall be paid with monies from the Commission's Fuel Tax Fund, and;

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Director be, and hereby he is, directed to pursue and ascertain whether other funds might be available on a timely basis to help finance the construction of the project, and to develop and present to the Commission a funding proposal for the construction of the project at such time as the design and related cost estimates have progressed sufficiently.

(Resolution No. 4-1987 adopted June 11, 1987)