

NEWS RELEASE From Mayor Dean DePiero

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PARMA PREPARES FOR MAJOR ROAD PROJECTS IN 2011

(PARMA) – The City of Parma will benefit from state and federal funding to cover the majority of costs for road improvements on Sprague and Stumph Roads next spring. The Sprague Road project will also involve the City of North Royalton.

"Infrastructure programs such as these are critical in keeping our community's streets and roadways updated and safe for residents and visitors," said Mayor Dean DePiero. "The county will do the work and the cost will be mostly paid with federal and state money."

The \$5 million Sprague Road resurfacing project is scheduled to begin in April of next year and be completed by late October. The work area will extend about two miles, from York Road to State Road. A similar timetable is set for the Stumph Road project, extending just over a mile from Snow Road to Pearl Road. The completion date is scheduled for early 2012. The estimated cost of the Stumph Road project is nearly \$8 million.

According to the Cuyahoga County Engineer's Office, federal funds will cover 80% of both projects. Cuyahoga County will contribute 10% of the total cost as will the City of Parma. The same formula will be followed for the Sprague Road project with Parma and North Royalton each contributing 10% of the cost for the portion of work done within their city limits.

The Cuyahoga County Engineer's Office says work crews will maintain one lane of traffic in each direction at all times during both construction programs.

"We are working closely with the County Engineer's staff to ensure we'll have adequate signage in place for detours and lane closures," said Mayor DePiero. "The minor inconveniences going through the construction zones will be well worth it when all the work is done."