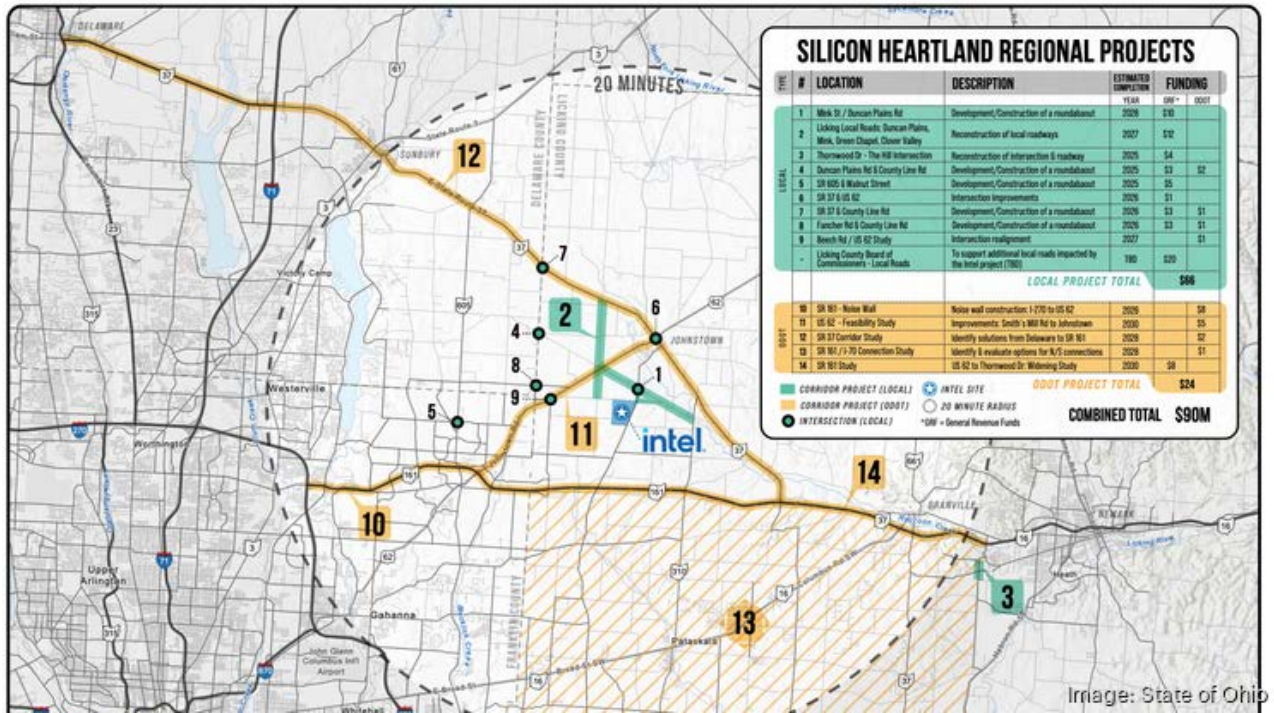


Ohio to invest \$90M in transportation improvements around Intel campus



A map shows the transportation improvement projects that are being executed in support of Intel Corp.'s \$20 billion project in Central Ohio.

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The state of Ohio will invest \$90 million in transportation improvements for the area surrounding Intel Corp.'s future campus in New Albany.

A total of \$66 million will fund projects on local roadways in Delaware, Franklin and Licking counties. This investment includes reconstructing roadways, improving the safety and efficiency of intersections and making sure the local roadway network has the capacity to address the demands of this rapidly growing area of Ohio, the state announced in a press release. Those projects will be executed by local governments.

"Much like everything we do in Ohio, economic development is a team sport," Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine said in the press release. "We are committed to working together with our local government partners to make sure we're all meeting not only the demands of today, but tomorrow as well."

The remaining \$24 million will be used by the Ohio Department of Transportation to advance projects that create safer intersections and expand key corridors around the Intel site, according to the state. ODOT will be responsible for those projects.

"Our team has worked diligently to evaluate our existing system and speed up plans for growth," ODOT Director Jack Marchbanks said in the release. "These new projects are a direct result of local feedback, but our efforts don't end here. We'll continue working with our local partners to evaluate the transportation needs throughout the region."

Silicon Heartland Regional Projects

TYPE	#	LOCATION	DESCRIPTION	ESTIMATED COMPLETION	FUNDING
				YEAR	
LOCAL	1	Mink St / Duncan Plains Rd	Development/Construction of a roundabout	2028	\$10
	2	Licking Local Roads: Duncan Plains, Mink, Green Chapel, Clover Valley	Reconstruction of local roadways	2027	\$12
	3	Thornwood Dr - The Hill Intersection	Reconstruction of intersection & roadway	2025	\$4
	4	Duncan Plains Rd & County Line Rd	Development/Construction of a roundabout	2025	\$5
	5	SR 605 & Walnut Street	Development/Construction of a roundabout	2025	\$5
	6	SR 37 & US 62	Intersection Improvements	2026	\$1
	7	SR 37 & County Line Rd	Development/Construction of a roundabout	2026	\$4
	8	Fancher Rd & County Line Rd	Development/Construction of a roundabout	2026	\$4
	9	Beech Rd / US 62 Study	Intersection realignment	2027	\$1
			Licking County Board of Commissioners Local Roads	To support additional local roads impacted by the Intel project	TBD
LOCAL PROJECT TOTAL					\$66

Image: State of Ohio

A list of transportation improvement projects that will be made in the area surrounding the Intel site, which officials have dubbed the "Silicon Heartland."

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The Intel campus and surrounding area, including the New Albany International Business Park, have been dubbed the "Silicon Heartland" by officials. The nickname refers to both the Intel project, which will bring two semiconductor chip manufacturing facilities to Central Ohio, and other large tech companies making investments in the region such as Amazon, Google, Microsoft and Facebook parent Meta.

Soon after Intel announced its plan to spend \$20 billion on the manufacturing facilities in Licking County, DeWine directed ODOT to accelerate a project to add a third lane in each direction to State Route 161 between Interstate 270 and U.S. Route 62 to support the increase in traffic expected along the corridor. That project began Monday.

“Infrastructure is the backbone of economic development and has a cascading effect leading to increased productivity, job creation and improved quality of life for residents,” Ohio Lt. Gov. Jon Husted said in the release. “Investment in infrastructure is vital for promoting long-term economic growth and prosperity.”

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The transportation improvements are the latest in a series of investments the state has announced in support of the Intel project.

Most recently, the state finalized a [\\$600 million onshoring grant agreement](#) with Intel. As part of the agreement, \$300 million is available for construction of each of the two chip factories set to be completed as part of the initial phase of the project.

In total, Ohio has approved [more than \\$2 billion in incentives](#) for Intel.