
Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) may experience minimal costs to install suitable plaques or signs along the designated portion of I-275. Current costs to manufacture, install, and maintain a single set of memorial plaques or markers at one location are estimated to be a few hundred dollars, depending on the size of the marker(s), equipment and materials needed to install them, and the frequency of maintenance.

When a highway or bridge is designated as a memorial, the Department's policy is to first install a memorial plaque in a rest area, scenic overlook, recreational area, or other appropriate location.¹ If this is not practical, a marker is installed along the highway or near the bridge instead. Two plaques or two markers are usually installed, one in each direction at each location.

More often than not, ODOT erects markers for memorial highways named through legislation. However, if ODOT chooses not to install the plaques or markers, the municipality of Milford, the only municipality or village along I-275 in Clermont County, may install such markers along the designated portion of I-275 within municipal boundaries and would incur the expense for doing so.

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¹ Ohio Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways, 2003.