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## Sharonville to help with road study

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SHARONVILLE - Due to safety and congestion issues on a 2.7-mile stretch of Fields Ertel Road, several jurisdictions, including Sharonville, may be paying \$275,000 for a study of what can be done to remedy the problems. Sharonville would pay \$52,500 of the total cost for the one mile of Fields Ertel Road within in the city.

The stretch of road spanning from Reed Hartman Highway to Snyder Road is a problem, according to Sharonville Safety Service Director Al Ledbetter. "It's narrow, it's congested, you can't get from the side streets on to Fields Ertel," he said. "There's a safety issue with the corner of Butler/Warren Road and Fields Ertel. And since it lies in multiple jurisdictions, nobody can fix it themselves."

Portions of the road lie in Sharonville, Butler County, Symmes Township, Sycamore Township and Warren County. All these jurisdictions must be involved to completely fix the road. In addition, Hamilton County engineers are involved.

But how problems with the road can be remedied is also a tricky matter. Gullies and ravines to the side of the road make it difficult to expand, said Ledbetter. The study, which will take about one year to complete, will include a conceptual plan and cost estimates for the work.



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