## **Waiver Process**

**Summary:** The Department will require all plans started after <u>April 1, 2020</u> and any project that will file after <u>July 1, 2022</u> to be in ORD Connect. The waiver process is designed to minimize fiscal impacts on the Department during the transition from old software platforms and standards to new ones. This process will require forethought and pre-planning to allow the best utilization of resources. The goal of the waiver process is to identify projects that will require on-going, long term support of old technology.

The waiver process is based on the following deadlines:

- All projects started after April 1, 2020 are required to be developed using Bentley's ORD software unless otherwise specified in the scope of services.
- All projects filed after July 1, 2022 are required to be submitted in Bentley's ORD format unless otherwise specified in the scope of services.

Projects started prior to January 1, 2020, using old software platforms, that will be filed after December 31, 2021 may be converted to ORD format at the consultant's expense, or a waiver can be requested to allow submitting the project in the software format originally scoped. If a District wants to upgrade a project to the new technology, and it will require contract modifications, those decisions are at the discretion of the District. The Department's expectation is this transition will not incur additional costs, if a consultant feels a modification is necessary please work with the District Project Manager and CADD & Mapping Services to resolve.

**Process:** There will be a form available on the ODOT CADD Support website to request a waiver. Waivers will only be accepted by Districts, Consultants will need to work directly with the District Project Manager to determine if a waiver should be submitted. If a District wants to upgrade a project to the new technology, and it will require contract modifications, those decisions are at the discretion of the District.

## **Decision Flow Chart:**

