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MEETING NOTICE

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ERTAC) AGENDA

Executive Committee

Video-conference meeting via Microsoft Teams:

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Conference ID: 623 356 065#

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

- A. **Public comments**
- B. **February meeting summary (attached)**
- C. **Discussion Item**
 - 1. *“Innovative Vegetation Technologies to Improve Water Quality (Prairie Seedings and Cover Crops)”*; Jim Hoorman, University of Akron Research Foundation (UARF)
- D. **NEFCO FY2021 Work Program**
 - 1. 208 Plan Chapter 3, Policy 3-6a and 3-6b
 - NEFCO staff completes review of similar 208 policies of the other Areawides
 - Use of subcommittee
 - 2. 208 Plan draft Chapter 4; status
 - 3. Canal Diversion Dam Project
 - US EPA approves extension to the grant’s project period end date; clarifies end date for payment of invoices from grant’s funds
 - Friends of the Crooked River to give a presentation to the NEFCO Board on March 17th
 - 4. Governor’s Executive Budget Proposal contains funding for the Areawides at \$450,000 per year
 - 5. 2020 Operator Contact Hours Summaries Available
 - 6. 2020 Professional Engineer Contact Hours Summaries Available
- E. **Reports from ERTAC members (a chance for members to report on activities or problems affecting their communities)**
- F. **Information items (this list is provided for information only. Members can request a copy of any item) (*Bloomberg Environment (BE)*)**
 - 1. Ercot’s 711-page training manual tells a power-grid horror story; BE
 - 2. Texas was warned a decade ago its grid was unready for cold; BE
 - 3. Trump’s energy chief says renewables to blame for Texas crisis; BE
 - 4. Biden’s plea to remake grid gets a boost on Texas power crisis; BE

5. Biden official says Texas storm shows infrastructure need; BE
6. Water plant cyberattack is wake up call, 20 years in the making; BE
7. Senate panel votes to advance EPA nominee Michael Regan; BE
8. Biden's EPA pick promises 'thorough review' of biofuel waivers; ; BE
9. Dupont, Chemours drawn into Arizona city's PFAS dispute; BE
10. Manufacturer leaves West Virginia PFAS water contamination case; BE
11. States clash with Pentagon on PFAS water limits, polluted sites; BE
12. Foam makers didn't disclose PFAS risks, responders say (correct) ; BE
13. Dupont, 3M among targets of PFAS suit by California town; BE
14. Flint water crisis: unresolved questions and a time for national reflection; BE
15. California vapor intrusion guidance evaporates hope for urban residential redevelopment; BE
16. Ban on dumping oil waste constitutional, Pennsylvania township tells judge; BE
17. EPA, recycler strike \$7.6 million deal to reduce lead pollution; BE
18. Courts asked to freeze suits on Trump climate, air, water moves; BE
19. Interior pick Haaland draws GOP Ire with fracking opposition; BE

G. Ohio EPA, ODNR, and ODH Public Notices (this list is provided for information only. Members can request a copy of any item)

1. Triennial Review of Water Quality Standards
2. Maumee Watershed Nutrient TMDL Project
3. Draft 401 Water Quality Certification (WQC) for the 2021 reissuance and modification of the Nationwide Permits; additional public information session held and public comment period on the Draft 401 WQC extended until February 24, 2021
4. Verified Complaint
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 - a. Village of Lakemore (Springfield Lake); contamination of Springfield Lake from failed infrastructure of the Village
5. Proposed Revocation of NPDES Permit
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 - a. Marks Brew Thru (Akron); Upper Tuscarawas River

H. Ohio Environmental Legislation Recently Signed or Introduced (link provided in red)

1. [REFINANCE LOANS FOR WATER AND WASTEWATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS, HB 264](#): To allow the Ohio Water Development Authority to provide for the refinancing of loans for certain public water and wastewater infrastructure projects and to declare an emergency. EFFECTIVE DATE: January 9, 2021

I. Other Business

J. ERTAC Contact Hour Course List

Date/Approval Code	Approved Audience	Title of the Presentation	Training Provider	No. of Contact Hours
6/3/2020 B88520984-X	DW & WW	"Ohio's Dam Safety Program" (...with focus on the NEFCO Region)	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0
7/1/2020 DENIED	DW & WW	"Portage Lakes Management Study-Phase 4: Draft Lakes/ Watershed Management Plan"	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0

K. Next meeting: April 7, 2021 via Microsoft Teams