

NEFCO

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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: 155 319 421#

Wednesday, May 5, 2021

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

- A. Public comments**
- B. April meeting summary (attached)**
- C. Discussion Item**
 - 1. ERTAC roundtable discussion on “*Priority Water Quality Projects Around the Region.*” ERTAC members will be asked to give a brief, five-minute report on their top water quality projects.
- D. Consideration by the ERTAC of a Recommendation to the NEFCO Board**
 - 1. Consideration of an Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Ravenna Facilities Planning Area (FPA) to change the Wastewater Treatment Prescriptions at the parcel level in Rootstown Township, within the Portage County Water Resource Department’s Jurisdiction (attached) **ACTION REQUESTED**
- E. NEFCO FY2021 Work Program**
 - 1. 208 Plan Chapter 3 update; status of state certification
 - 2. 208 Plan Chapter 3, Policy 3-6a and 3-6b
 - Status of revisions
 - Next steps
 - 3. Portage Lakes Management Study (PLMS) – Phase 5
 - Next PLMS partners virtual meeting re-scheduled for May 6th
 - Next steps for the draft Portage Lakes Management Plan
 - 4. Areawides/Ohio EPA collaborative project on sewerage area data collection proposed for FY2022 water quality work plan
- F. Reports from ERTAC members (a chance for members to report on activities or problems affecting their communities)**

G. Information items (this list is provided for information only. Members can request a copy of any item) (Bloomberg Environment (BE))

USEPA

1. FY2021 Environmental Justice Small Grants Program; request for applications; application deadline: June 1, 2021
2. Environmental justice to play role in grant programs, Regan Says; BE
3. EPA Chief focuses on climate goals and hiring 700 scientists; BE
4. Biden names picks to lead EPA's Water and chemicals offices; BE

Drinking Water

5. Flint serves as model and warning for Biden infrastructure plan; BE
6. Up to twenty percent of water wells worldwide are at risk of drying up; BE

Infrastructure

7. Sprawling federal infrastructure plan spurs race to snap up lobbyists; BE
8. GOP counters Biden with \$568 billion infrastructure plan; BE

PFAS

9. 3M sues over Michigan 'forever chemicals' drinking water rules; BE
10. PFAS food package ban, cookware rule moves in California; BE

Fracking

11. California's Governor Newsom orders end of fracking in emissions push; BE
12. Fracking ban, oil-gas setback bill dies in California Senate; BE

Wastewater

13. Feds, State officials seek leaky Florida wastewater pond fix; BE
14. Florida city agrees to improve sewer system to reduce overflows; BE

Miscellaneous

15. Texas freeze strands municipalities with sky-high power tabs; BE

H. Ohio EPA Public Notices (this list is provided for information only. Members can request a copy of any item)

1. Ohio EPA, Ohio Department of Natural Resources and Ohio Department of Transportation Unveil Statewide Litter Campaign
2. Water Resource Restoration Sponsor Program PY2022 Updates and Highlights webinar; DEFA; May 13, 2021 10-11 a.m.; online registration
3. What Local Leaders should Know about Water Resource Protection – wetlands, docks etc. webinar;; DEFA, May 25, 2021 2-3 p.m.; online registration
4. Encouraging Environmental Excellence Programs; submit your application anytime
5. Draft NPDES Permit Renewals
Stark Co.
 - a. TA North Canton (North Canton); unnamed trib. to Zimber Ditch Summit Co.
 - a. Brentwood Estates WWTP No. 24 (Norton); Van Hying Run
 - b. Fishcreek WWTP No. 25 (Stow); Cuyahoga River
 - c. Richfield Hills WWTP (Richfield); Furnace Run
 - d. Melody Village WWTP No. 10 (Clinton); Pancake Creek
6. Proposed Issuance of Modification to NPDES Permit Conditions
Stark Co.
 - a. American Landfill Inc. (Waynesburg); Little Sandy Creek Indian Run Summit Co.
 - a. Heritage Classical Academy (Peninsula); Cuyahoga River
7. Proposed Revocation of NPDES Permit
Summit Co.
 - a. Norton Acres WWTP No. 13 (Norton); Van Hying Creek

- I. Ohio Environmental Legislation Recently Signed or Introduced (link provided in red)**
1. COUNTY SEWER DISCOUNTED RATES, [HB 245](#): To expand eligibility for county sewer discounted rates or charges.
 2. EPA DIRECTOR ADOPT MAXIMUM CONTAMINANT LEVEL, [SB 143](#): To require the Director of Environmental Protection to adopt a maximum contaminant level for aluminum in drinking water.

J. Other Business

K. ERTAC Contact Hour Course List

Date/Approval Code	Approved Audience	Title of the Presentation	Training Provider	No. of Contact Hours
2/3/2021 B88651211-OM	DW & WW	"Ohio EPA's recent and planned water quality assessments, attainment status reports, and TMDLs for the NEFCO region's subbasins"	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0
3/3/2021 Not eligible to submit	DW & WW	"Innovative Vegetation Technologies to Improve Water Quality (Prairie Seedings and Cover Crops)"	NEFCO ERTAC	
4/7/21 Not eligible to submit	DW & WW	"Ohio's Source Water Assessment Program: Where it Began, Where it is Today, and Where it will be Tomorrow"	NEFCO ERTAC	

L. Next meeting: June 2, 2021 via Microsoft Teams