

List of Acronyms

ALU – Aquatic Life Use

APM – aquatic plant management

BMPs – Best Management Practices

cfus – colony forming units

cfs – cubic feet per second

Chl - Chlorophyll

DNR - Department of Natural Resources

DSSS - Department of Sanitary Sewer Services

DO - Dissolved Oxygen

DOH - Department of Health

EPA - Environmental Protection Agency

FPA – Facilities Planning Area

FEMA – Federal Emergency Management Agency

GIS - Geographic Information System

HABs - Harmful Algal Blooms

HHEI - Headwater Habitat Evaluation Index

HSTS - Home Sewage Treatment Systems

HUCs – Hydrologic Unit Codes

IBI – Index of Biological Integrity

ICI – Invertebrate Community Index

MA - Management Agencies

mgd – Million gallons per day

MIwb – Modified Index of Well-Being

NHD – National Hydrography Dataset

NPSIS – Non-Point Source Implementation Strategy

NEFCO - Northeast Ohio Four County Regional Planning and Development Organization

NEOPIPE – Northeast Ohio Public Involvement Public Education

NPDES - National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

Ohio EPA - Ohio Environmental Protection Agency

PLAC - Portage Lakes Advisory Council

ppm – part per million

QHEI - Quality Habitat Evaluation Index

RM – River Mile

SD – Secchi Disk

SRP – Soluble Reactive Phosphorus

SWCD - Soil and Water Conservation District

STEP-L – Spreadsheet Tool for Evaluating Pollution-Load

TAC - Portage Lakes Management Plan Technical Advisory Committee

TMDL – Total Maximum Daily Load

TP – Total Phosphorus

TSI – Trophic State Index

WWH – Warmwater Habitat