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MEETING NOTICE

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ERTAC)

Executive Committee

The Natatorium
Hopewell Room
2345 4th Street
Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

Wednesday, May 4, 2022
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

- A. Public comments
- B. April meeting summary (attached)
- C. Discussion Item
 - 1. **"Flooding, Erosion, and Water Quality – NEORSR's Stormwater Program"; speaker: Janet Popielski, P.E., Stormwater Program Manager, Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District**
- D. Consideration by the ERTAC of a Recommendation to the NEFCO Board
 - 1. Consideration of an Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Wayne County Lincoln Way Facilities Planning Area (FPA) and the Orrville FPA to modify the FPA boundary and update the wastewater treatment prescriptions to enable the Wayne County Office of Environmental Services to provide sewer service to select unsewered parcels on the west side of Wadsworth Road (State Route 57), just north of U.S. Route 30 (attached) **ACTION REQUESTED**
- E. NEFCO FY2022 Work Program
 - 1. FY2023 Water Quality Management Planning contract with Ohio EPA
 - a. Staff considering 208 Plan maintenance projects and potential nutrient reduction projects; to be discussed with Ohio EPA-NEDO
 - 2. Areawides/Ohio EPA collaborative project on sewer and unsewered areas data collection and mapping; status of draft map of priority unsewered areas
 - 3. PLMS partners to meet at Summit Soil and Water Conservation District office on April 28th to discuss draft PLMP rollout activities and materials
 - 4. Canal Diversion Dam Removal project; status of pump start-up
- 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) or as indicated*)

Nutrient Pollution

1. U.S. EPA issues April 5th memo on *Accelerating Nutrient Pollution Reductions in the Nation's Waters* (attached), calls for states to complete and implement TMDLs for nutrient pollution

PFAS

2. Judge orders Chemtool to test for PFAS at site of 2021 explosion; BE
3. 3M, Georgia town must face suit over PFAS in water supply; BE
4. U.S. Chamber urges sixth Circuit Court to undo a multimillion-person class of Ohio residents with PFAS in their blood; BE
5. Pennsylvania latest state to propose PFAS water regulations; BE

Water Funding

6. States agitate for Feds to drop constraints on water funding; BE

Federal Water Control

7. States, lawmakers urge SCOTUS to limit federal water control; BE
8. Ohio, Tennessee seek to revive challenge to Obama-era water rule; BE

Section 404 Dredge and Fill

9. Florida takeover of water permitting program upheld, for now; BE
10. High court asked to limit EPA's power to regulate wetlands; BE

Plastic Pollution

11. States awash in plastic packaging want manufacturers to pay up; BE

Miscellaneous

12. Pennsylvania Senators face wary Third Circuit Court in fracking row; BE
13. EPA Chief confronted by Ohio-based recycling company CEO blaming him for plant hazardous permit denial; BE

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

1. Ohio Brownfields Funding Opportunities webinar; Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance/Office of Compliance and Pollution Prevention; May 10, 2022; 2 to 3 p.m.
2. Ohio Integrated water quality Monitoring and Assessment Report (2022)
3. Draft NPDES Permit Renewals
Wayne Co.
 - a. Camp Luz (Orrville); Sugar Creek
 - b. Dalton WWTP (Dalton); Beaver Dam Ditch

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

1. **HB 175** Ephemeral Features: Signed by the Governor

J. Other Business

K. ERTAC Contact Hour Course List

Date/Approval Code	Approved Audience	Title of the Presentation	Training Provider	No. of Contact Hours
12/2/21 B88749145-OM	DW & WW	“Responding to and Mitigating Harmful Algal Blooms in Ohio”	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0
1/5/2022 S88755563-OM	WW	“Rural Action’s Water Quality Improvement and Protection Projects in the Muskingum River Watershed”	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0
2/2/22 B88761828-OM	DW & WW	“Ohio’s Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Funding Prospects: Opportunities and Challenges”	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0
3/2/22 S88770348-OM	WW	“Roots of the Ohio & Erie Canal Towpath Trail system, Cuyahoga Valley National Park; a flood warning system; and securing funds for water and wastewater infrastructure”	NEFCO ERTAC	0.5
4/6/22 S88777298-OM	WW	“Portage Lakes Management Study (PLMS) – Phase 6; and rollout of the Portage Lakes Management Plan (PLMP) final draft”	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0

L. Next meeting: June 1, 2022 at The Natatorium, Hopewell Room, 2345 4th Street, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio