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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, October 5, 2022
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

- A. Public comments
- B. September meeting summary (attached)
- C. Discussion item
 - 1. **"Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) Watershed Program: Purpose, Projects and Potential Impacts in the NEFCO Region"; Guest speakers: Watershed Managers John Timmons (Region 2), Erica White (Region 5), and Josh Emanuelson, (Region 6)**
- D. **NEFCO FY2023 Work Program**
 - 1. Discussion on the differences between a 208 Plan update and an amendment; potential implementation
 - 2. Discussion of procedures for submittals of annual facilities plan updates
 - 3. Draft 208 Plan Chapter 4: *The Management of Home Sewage Treatment Systems, Semi-Public Sewage Disposal Systems, and Small Flow On-site Sewage Treatment Systems*; status
 - a. Request for subcommittee volunteers to review the draft and provide input to staff
 - 4. Canal Diversion Dam Removal project; status
- 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), National Association of Regional Councils' (NARC) or as indicated*)**
 - Clean Water*
 - 1. EPA is seeking input on potential regulatory revisions to clean water rules; NARC

Environmental Justice

2. EPA launches new national office dedicated to advancing environmental justice and civil rights; BE
3. EPA equity office elevation seen as step 'toward more justice'; BE

Drinking Water

4. Water agencies seek to head off 'devastating' cyberattacks; BE
5. California adopts rule to test drinking water for microplastics; BE
6. Jackson's long-term water woes seen as best solved in court; BE
7. Jackson (MS) residents sue city, Siemens over unsafe drinking water; BE
8. Droughts and floods hobble water systems, vexing EPA officials; BE
9. Michigan orders Flint chemical company to stop polluting river; BE

Flood Insurance and Grants

10. FEMA must revamp flood insurance program; BE
11. FEMA launches flood insurance campaign amid hurricane season; NARC

PFAS

12. EPA proposes designating certain PFAS chemicals as hazardous substances; NARC
13. 3M gets preliminary nod for \$54 million PFAS dumping settlement; BE
14. 3M, Chemours win Sixth Circuit Court review of Ohio PFAS class dispute; BE

Fracking

15. Fracking ban survives challenge from Pennsylvania GOP Senators; BE

Climate Change

16. States 'grabbing' climate, energy cash, new Biden adviser says state officials hold sway in Biden's climate law funding rollout; BE
17. White House unveils climate adaptation portal as heat spikes; BE
18. A new resource in the Great Lakes Region to help fight against climate change; NARC

Hydrogen

19. Bipartisan Governors' group pushes Midwest hydrogen economy; BE
20. White House launches 'generational' \$7 billion hydrogen plan; BE

Miscellaneous

21. EV chargers are hard to find, and US may ease 'buy-America' rule; BE
22. Michigan manure rules implemented improperly; court says; BE

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

1. Clean Watersheds Needs Survey; Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance (DEFA); responses due October 28th
2. Solid Waste Fee Rules; proposed rulemaking; Division of Materials and Waste Management; deadline for comments: October 26, 2022
3. Proposed Issuance of Modification to NPDES Permit Conditions Stark Co.
 - a. Grace Community Church of Alliance (Alliance); Little Beech Creek Wayne Co.
 - a. Gerbers Poultry (Kidron); North Fork of Sugar Creek
4. Proposed Issuance of Modification to Pretreatment Program Portage Co.
 - a. Kent Water Reclamation Facility (Kent)
5. Proposed Issuance of Permit to Install Stark Co.
 - a. Grace Community Church of Alliance (Alliance); Little Beech Creek
6. Draft NPDES Permit Portage Co.
 - a. Lakeside Sand and Gravel (Mantua); Cuyahoga River
7. Draft NPDES Permit Renewals Portage Co.

- a. Rinker Materials Concrete Pipe Division (Diamond); Kale Creek Stark Co.
- a. 125SR43LLC (Hartville); Congress Lake via unnamed tributary
- b. Red Dog Saloon (East Sparta); Sherman Creek
- c. Linde Inc. (Canton); Hurtford Run Wayne Co.
- a. Doylestown WWTP (Doylestown); Chippewa Creek
- b. The Pines Golf Club (Orrville); unnamed tributary to Sugar Creek
- c. Westview Mobile Home Park (Doylestown); Silver Creek

H. Ohio Environmental Legislation Recently Signed or Introduced (none)

I. Other Business

J. ERTAC Contact Hour Course List

Date/Approval Code	Approved Audience	Title of the Presentation	Training Provider	No. of Contact Hours
6/1/2022 S88789415-OM	WW	"Cuyahoga River Dam Removal and Bank Stabilization"	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0
8/3/2022 S88802447-OM	WW	"Bus tour of five Akron Waterways Renewed projects"	NEFCO ERTAC	2.0
9/7/2022 B88813537-OM	DW & WW	"Aquatic vegetation/harmful algal blooms management"	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0

K. Next meeting: November 2, 2022 at The Natatorium, Hopewell Room, 2345 4th Street, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio