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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, September 7, 2022
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

- A. Public comments
- B. August meeting summary (attached)
- C. Discussion item
 - 1. "Aquatic vegetation/harmful algal blooms management"; Carter Bailey, Portage Lakes Management Study partner and aquatic biologist with Aqua Doc
- D. NEFCO FY2023 Work Program
 - 1. Election of ERTAC Chair and Vice Chair
 - 2. FY2022 NEFCO Work Program Completion Report is available upon request
 - 3. FY2022 ERTAC meeting agendas and summaries are available upon request
 - 4. Canal Diversion Dam Removal project; fourth no-cost extension to the U.S. EPA grant's project/budget period end date; 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) or as indicated*)
 - PFAS*
 - 1. California advances ban on 'forever chemicals' in cosmetics
 - 2. Mitigating PFAS, plastics-related litigation costs with insurance
 - Drought*
 - 3. Megadrought states' officials urge more cuts to avoid water war
 - 4. California lawmakers push for 'drought profiteering' probe
 - 5. Vulnerable democrats bet on drought money to quench parched west
 - 6. 'No winners' seen if states launch water war amid megadrought
 - 7. California governor speeds up drought plan, stops short of restrictions
 - 8. Western senators secure \$4 billion for drought in spending bill
 - 9. Water in California spot market hits all-time high amid drought

Environmental Justice

- 10. Democrats' environmental justice bill approved by house panel
- 11. New Jersey debates 'overburdened' in environmental justice rule

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. Ohio EPA hosts webinar on *NPDES Permitting New and Proposed Rules and Policies*, September 20, 2022, 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.: [click here to register](#) or search "Ohio EPA DEFA training calendar"
- 2. Ohio EPA webinar – August 10, 2022; Federal Infrastructure Bill Updates and Project Nomination Opportunities; <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6eg-XHxO-TA>; webinar PowerPoint also available
- 3. Draft NPDES Permits
 - Portage Co.
 - a) Regal Equipment (Ravenna); Bixon Creek
 - Wayne Co.
 - a) Peach Grove MHP (Wooster); Killbuck Creek
- 4. Draft NPDES Permit Renewals
 - Portage Co.
 - a) City of Aurora Central WWTP (Aurora); Aurora Branch Chagrin River
 - Stark Co.
 - a) Springfield Lake Camp Club WWTP (East Sparta); Sherman Creek
 - b) Village of Hartville WWTP (Hartville); Guiley Ditch
 - Summit Co.
 - a) McCann Plastics (North Canton); Nimisila Creek
 - b) St. Bernard Golf Course (Richfield); East Branch Rocky River
 - c) Karman Rubber Co. (Akron); Pigeon Creek via unnamed trib
 - d) Portage Lakes State Park (Akron); Turkeyfoot Lake
 - e) Saint-Gobain Performance Plastics (Akron); Little Cuyahoga River
 - Wayne Co.
 - a) Shreve WWTP (Shreve); Shreve 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
1/5/2022 S88755563-OM	WW	"Rural Action's Water Quality Improvement and Protection Projects in the Muskingum River Watershed"	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0
2/2/2022 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
4/6/2022 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
5/4/2022 S88783567-OM	WW	"Flooding, Erosion, and Water Quality – NEORS's Stormwater Program"	NEFCO ERTAC	1.0

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

K. Next meeting: October 5, 2022 at The Natatorium, Hopewell Room, 2345 4th Street, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio