MEMORANDUM

TO: NOACA Board of Directors
FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director
DATE: June 3, 2016
RE: Resolution 2016-021: Medina County FPA Change of Prescriptions: Medina Township

ACTION REQUESTED
The Board of Directors is asked to approve the proposed modification to the Prescriptions of two Medina Township parcels covering 25.77 acres in the Medina County FPA.

The Water Quality Subcommittee and Planning and Programming Committee recommended this action.

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION
The Medina County Sanitary Engineers Department (MSCE) requested a change to the prescriptions of two parcels located in Medina Township in order to extend sanitary sewers to a proposed Ryan Homes development. Attachment A shows the proposed 50.99-acre housing development between Huffman Road and Weymouth Road in Medina Township. The entire development is within the Medina County FPA. The MSCE sanitary sewer line is located along Huffman Road.

The development will occur on five existing lots, three with frontage to Huffman Road and two with frontage to Weymouth Road. The developer plans to extend the MSCE sanitary sewer line from Huffman Road east into the proposed development. However, the two parcels along Weymouth Road, covering 25.77 acres, have the prescription “area served by on-site systems.” The extension of sanitary sewers into areas with this prescription is not consistent with NOACA’s Clean Water 2000 Plan (208 Plan). The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) cannot issue a Permit-to-Install (PTI) for a sanitary sewer extension in conflict with the 208 Plan.

Attachment B shows the proposed prescription changes for the two Medina Township parcels along Weymouth Road. The proposed prescription for both parcels is “sewers expected within 20 years.” The prescription changes would make the extension of sanitary sewers into the entire planned development consistent with the 208 Plan allowing Ohio EPA to issue a PTI.

MSCE secured a support letter from Medina Township, the only other affected jurisdiction of the proposed prescription modifications. This support letter fulfills the notification requirements in Policy 4-6 of the 208 Plan.

FINANCIAL IMPACT
NOACA’s approval of the boundary change will not result in any financial impact to NOACA.
CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS
With Board approval, NOACA staff will submit the updated FPA prescriptions to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

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RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF THE
NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina, and the areawide water quality management agency for the same region; and

WHEREAS, Clean Water 2000, the current update to the NOACA Section 208 Water Quality Management Plan, was adopted by the NOACA Board of Directors, certified by the Governor of Ohio, and approved by the United States Environmental Protection Agency; and

WHEREAS, Clean Water 2000 provides for modifications to wastewater treatment facility planning area (FPA) boundaries, subject to review by the NOACA staff, the NOACA Water Quality Subcommittee, and the NOACA Planning and Programming Committee; and

WHEREAS, Medina County, with the support of Medina Township, has requested change to the Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment for 2 parcels totaling 25.7 acres in Medina Township to allow for expected sewers within 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the NOACA Water Quality Subcommittee and the Planning and Programming Committee reviewed the request and recommended that the Board of Directors approve the FPA prescription changes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of forty-five principal officials serving general purpose local governments throughout and within the counties of Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina that:

Section 1. The Clean Water 2000 Plan's Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment Map is amended for 2 parcels in the Medina Township as shown in Attachment B.

Section 2. The Executive Director is authorized to submit the new prescriptions to Ohio EPA for certification by the Governor.

Section 3. The Executive Director is authorized to transmit certified copies of this resolution to appropriate federal, state, and local agencies.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency adopted this 10th day of June 2016.

Secretary: [Signature]

Date Signed: 6/10/16