NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: June 2, 2017

RE: Resolution No. 2017-028; Facility Planning Area (FPA) Modification Request: French Creek FPA Boundary and Prescription Modification Request in Eaton Township

ACTION REQUESTED
The Board of Directors is asked to approve the proposed FPA modifications in Eaton Township, Lorain County. The FPA modifications will:

- Transfer one (1) parcel from the Elyria FPA and Phase I FPA to the French Creek FPA; and
- Change the Prescriptions for the parcel to make sanitary sewer connections consistent with the Clean Water 2000 Plan (208 Plan).

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

BACKGROUND
The Reserve at Winfield Farms Subdivision (Subdivision) is being developed in the City of North Ridgeville and Eaton Township, Lorain County. The Eaton Township portion of the 88-acre development includes PPN 11000750000007 covering 7.75 acres. The developer wants to provide sanitary sewers from North Ridgeville to connect all of the homes within the Subdivision, but the Eaton Township portion of the development is not entirely with North Ridgeville’s French Creek FPA. The parcel partially resides within three different FPAs: Elyria, French Creek and Phase I (Attachment A). Under the federal Clean Water Act, all sanitary sewer connections must be within the FPA of the publicly owned treatment works (POTW) that treats the wastewater.

The City of North Ridgeville requested a modification of the FPA Boundaries to include all of PPN 11000750000007 within the French Creek FPA to allow for the extension of North Ridgeville sewers to serve the entire Subdivision (Attachment B). The request would transfer 3.52 acres from the Elyria FPA and 4.23 acres from the Phase I FPA to the French Creek FPA.

The FPA modification request also includes a change to the Prescriptions to allow for sanitary sewer connections within the entire transfer area. The current prescriptions for the parcel are “area served by on-site systems” for the Elyria FPA and French Creek FPA portions, and “sewers expected within 20 years” for the Phase I portion (Attachment A). The proposed prescription is “sewers expected within 20 years” which will allow for sewer connections within the entire transfer area (Attachment B).
The affected jurisdictions of this modification request are the City of Avon Lake, City of Elyria, City of North Ridgeville, Lorain County, Eaton Township and LORCO. Policy 4-6 in the 208 Plan requires North Ridgeville to notify and solicit support from all affected jurisdictions. Affected jurisdictions have up to 90 days to comment on proposed FPA revisions. The maximum 90-day comment has been completed.

The Lorain County Commissioners, LORCO, the City of Avon Lake and the City of Elyria have submitted letters of support for the proposed FPA modifications. A comment letter was not received from Eaton Township. The affected jurisdiction notification requirements in Policy 4-6 of the 208 Plan have been fulfilled by the City of North Ridgeville.

FINANCIAL IMPACT
NOACA’s approval of the FPA modifications will not result in any financial impact to NOACA.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS
With Board approval, NOACA staff will submit the updated FPA Boundaries and Prescriptions to 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 City of Cleveland; 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, the City of North Ridgeville proposes a modification of the FPA boundary between the French Creek FPA, Avon Lake/Lorain County Rural Wastewater District (LORCO) Phase I FPA (Phase I FPA) and Elyria FPA in order for North Ridgeville sanitary sewers to be extended into Eaton Township for the benefit of regional water quality and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the FPA boundary change transfers 1 parcel covering 7.75 acres from the Elyria FPA and Phase I FPA to the French Creek FPA; and change the prescriptions for wastewater treatment in the proposed transfer area to make sewer connections consistent with Clean Water 2000; 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 boundary and prescriptions for wastewater treatment 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 FPA Boundary Map is amended to reflect the transfer of 1 parcel 7.75 acres as shown in Attachment B.

Section 2. The Clean Water 2000 Plan’s Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment Map is amended for the transfer area as shown in Attachment B.

Section 3. The Executive Director is authorized to submit the new boundaries to Ohio EPA for certification by the Governor.

Section 4. 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 9th day of June 2017.

Secretary: [Signature]

Date Signed: 6/9/2017
ATTACHMENT A: CURRENT FPA BOUNDARY AND PRESCRIPTIONS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT FOR RESERVE AT WINFIELD FARMS SUBDIVISION IN EATON TOWNSHIP, LORAIN COUNTY.

DATA SOURCES:
- NOACA
- LORCO
- City of North Ridgeville
- Lorain Co.
- Lorain County and LORCO
- Elyria
- French Creek
- Vermilion
- Oberlin
- Avon Lake
- Avon Lake/LORCO Phase I
- Amherst
- Wellington
- Grafton
- LaGrange

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Current Facility Planning Area (FPA) Boundary
- Jurisdiction Boundary
- Parcels
- Reserve at Winfield Farms Parcel
- Gravity Sewer Line

Current Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment
- Currently Sewered
- Sewers Expected Within 20 Years
- Limited Sewers Likely Within 20 Years
- Local Wastewater Planning Options
- Areas Served by On-Site Systems
ATTACHMENT B: PROPOSED FPA BOUNDARY AND PRESCRIPTIONS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT FOR RESERVE AT WINFIELD FARMS SUBDIVISION IN EATON TOWNSHIP, LORAIN COUNTY.

Proposed Changes
Lorain County FPA Boundaries

Proposed Facility Planning Area (FPA) Boundary
Jurisdiction Boundary
Parcels
Reserve at Winfield Farms Parcel
Gravity Sewer Line

Proposed Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment
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