NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: March 1, 2019

RE: Resolution 2019-016: Geauga County Facility Planning Area (FPA) Prescription Modification Request in Chester Township

ACTIONS REQUESTED
The Board of Directors is asked to approve the facility planning area (FPA) modification request by Geauga County. Specifically, the item will change the Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment (Prescriptions) of one (1) parcels covering 6.78 acres in the Chester Township in the Geauga County FPA to allow for sanitary sewer service.

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

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION
The Geauga County Department of Water Resources (GCDWR) requested a modification to the Prescription for Permanent Parcel Number (PPN) 11-089870 located in Chester Township. The parcel is at 11330 Willow Hill Drive and has the Geauga County Prescription of “no sewer service.” This Prescription does not allow the parcel to connect to the sanitary sewer line along Willow Hill Drive (Attachment A). The Willow Hill Drive sewer line flows to Geauga County’s Willow Hill Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) with a capacity of 12,500 gallons per day.

The property owners would like the Prescription changed to “existing sewers” to allow their home to connect to the existing sanitary sewer line along Willow Hill Drive (Attachment B). Under the federal Clean Water Act, Ohio EPA cannot issue a Permit-to-Install (PTI) for a project that conflicts with NOACA’s FPA maps.

Chester Township and Geauga County are the only affected jurisdictions of the Prescription modification request. Both the Chester Township Board of Trustees and Geauga County Board of Commissioners passed motions to approve of the proposed Prescription change (attached). The approved motions fulfill the notification requirements in Policy 4-6 of the 208 Plan.

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

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS
Pending Board approval, NOACA staff will submit the Prescription modification to Ohio EPA.

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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, Medina, 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, Geauga County Department of Water Resources; with the support of the Geauga County Board of Commissioners and Chester Township; proposes a change to the FPA prescription for wastewater treatment for Permanent Parcel Number (PPN) 11-089870 in Chester Township allow for the connection to sanitary sewers for the benefit of regional water quality and economic development; 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 modification request.

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, Medina, and the City of Cleveland that:

Section 1. The Clean Water 2000 Plan’s FPA prescription map is amended to reflect the change to Permanent Parcel Number (PPN) 11-089870 in Chester Township (attachment B) to allow the property to connect to sanitary sewers.

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 8th day of March 2019.

Secretary: John R. Hamerschled
Date Signed: 3-8-2019
ATTACHMENT A: CURRENT PRESCRIPTIONS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT IN CHESTER TOWNSHIP, GEAUGA COUNTY

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NOACA makes no representations or warranties with respect to the accuracy and/or completeness of the map.

Jurisdiction Boundary
Parcels
Proposed Modification Area
Gravity Sewer Line
Force Main Sewer Line

Current Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment:
- Existing Sewer Service
- May Be Sewered
- Future Sewer Consideration
- No Sewer Service

DATA SOURCES:
NOACA
Geauga County
ATTACHMENT B: PROPOSED PRESCRIPTIONS FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT IN CHESTER TOWNSHIP, GEAUGA COUNTY

DATA SOURCES:
NOACA
Geauga County

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November 9, 2018

Geauga County Board of Commissioners
470 Center Street, Building 4
Chardon, OH 44024

RE: Admission to the 208 District – 11330 Willow Hill

Dear Commissioners:

The Chester Township Board of Trustees has been approached by Krista and Christopher Kalina, property owners of 11330 Willow Hill Drive (PPN 11-089870) to incorporate their property into the 208 District, enabling them to tie into the Willow Hill Waste Water treatment plant (PPN 11-706800) located at 11360 Willow Hill Drive.

According to communications with Interim Geauga County Health Commissioner Dave Sage, the Ohio EPA requires a tie in to public sewer when the availability is 300 feet or less. Gerry Morgan of Geauga County Water Resources confirmed that a tie-in is available, approximately 170 feet away.

The Trustees are in agreement to amend the 208 Service Plan Map to include this parcel as requested by the affected property owners. At their November 08, 2018 meeting, the Board of Trustees passed the following motion:

2018-505. Mr. Radtke moved to approve a request to the Geauga County Commissioners to extend the 208 service plan area to include 11330 Willow Hill, PPN 11-089870, as requested by Krista and Christopher Kalina and as requested by the Geauga County Department of Water Resources. Mr. Rogish seconded. Roll Call Vote: Radtke, yes; Rogish, yes; Mazzurco, yes. Motion passed.
Enclosed with this letter are two maps. The first map references the expansion area, and the second map shows how the 208 will appear if approved. Please accept this letter as the Chester Township Board of Trustees' approval of the amendment to the 208 Service Area Plan.

If there are any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Chester Township 440-729-7058.

Sincerely,

The Chester Township Board of Trustees

Ken Raotke, Chairman

Bob Rogish, Vice Chairman

Joe Mazzurco, Trustee

Enc: Maps
Cc: Gerald Morgan, Director, Geauga County Department of Water Resources
November 20, 2018

Steven Oluic, Director
Department of Water Resources
470 Center Street, Building #3
Chardon, OH 44024

Dear Mr. Oluic:

Please be advised that during session on November 20, 2018, the Board of County Commissioners took the following action:

Motion: by Commissioner Claypool, seconded by Commissioner Lennon to approve and amend the Chester Township 208 Water Quality Management Plan converting Parcel #11-089870 (11330 Willow Hill Drive) from “Served by On-site Systems” to “May be Sewered”.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Claypool Aye  Commissioner Lennon Aye  Commissioner Spidalieri Aye

Very truly yours,

Christine Blair
Commissioners’ Clerk
Facility Planning Area (FPA) Amendment Request Form

Applicant:
Geauga County Department of Water Resources (GCDWR)

FPA Amendment Type:
The applicant requests a change in the Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment (Prescriptions) within the Geauga County FPA.

Location:
The Prescription modification area includes one (1) parcel located at 11330 Willow Hill Drive in Chester Township (Attachment A).

Current Prescription:
No Sewer Service

Proposed Prescription:
Existing Sewer Service

Total Acres:
6.78 acres

Total Parcels:
Parcel Number 11-089870

List of Affected Parties:
Designated Management Agency (DMA) – Geauga County
Local Jurisdiction – Chester Township
208 Plan Consistency Review

Facility Planning Area Review - Applicant Needs to Solicit Support from Affected Parties

✔ Applicant is the Designated Management Agency for all of the affected area.

☐ Applicant is not the Designated Management Agency for all or part of the affected area
  ☐ Applicant has secured the approval of the entity or entities that are.
  ☐ Applicant has not secured the approval of the entity or entities that are.

Service Extension/Community Plan Review – Amendment Should be Consistent with the Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment¹

☐ Applicant does not propose the extension of any sewer service.
  ☐ The proposed project is limited to sewer system rehabilitation work.
  ☐ The proposed project is limited to a plant expansion or modification to better handle wet weather flow volumes

✔ Applicant does propose the extension of sewer service to an area lying entirely within the established facility planning area of the project sponsor.
  ☐ The proposed extension is consistent with the current Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment for the affected area.
  ☐ The proposed extension is not consistent with the current Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment for the affected area.
  ✔ The applicant proposes new Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment for the affected area.

☐ Another entity proposes the extension of sewer service to an area lying entirely within the established facility planning area(s).
  ☐ The proposed extension is consistent with the current Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment for the affected area.
  ☐ The proposed extension is not consistent with the current Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment for the affected area.
  ☐ The applicant proposes new Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment for the affected area.

Plant Expansion Review (if applicable)

☐ The application involves a plant capacity expansion that is consistent with extant population projections included in the Clean Water 2000 Plan as most recently updated.

☐ The application involves a plant capacity expansion that is not consistent with extant population projections included in the Clean Water 2000 Plan as most recently updated.
  ☐ The applicant has provided information that has sufficiently resolved any population project discrepancy.
  ☐ The applicant has not provided information that sufficiently resolved the population projection discrepancy.

¹ Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment are referred to as Community Plans for Wastewater Treatment in the Clean Water 2000 plan.
**Staff Comments:**
The homeowners at 11330 Willow Hill Drive in Chester Township requested a change in the Prescription of their 6.78-acre parcel to allow for their home to connect to Geauga County’s sanitary sewer line along Willow Hill Drive. The current Geauga County Prescription of “no sewer service” does not allow for sanitary sewer connections. The neighborhood is served by the Willow Hill Wastewater Treatment Plan (WWTP) owned by Geauga County with a capacity of 0.0125 million gallons per day (MGD). The Willow Hill WWTP has capacity to accept the flow from the modification area.

The requested prescription modification is supported by both affected jurisdictions: the Chester Township Board of Trustees and Geauga County Board of Commissioners.

**Staff Disposition:**
The staff recommends approval of the modification to Geauga County’s Prescriptions in Chester Township. Sanitary sewers are available and accessible to property and the Willow Hill WWTP has capacity to accept the flow. The request is supported by both Chester Township and Geauga County.

**Water Quality Subcommittee Disposition:**
Recommended approval at the December 21, 2018, meeting

**Planning and Programming Committee Disposition:**
Recommended approval at the January 18, 2018, meeting

**Executive Committee Disposition:**
Placed on the Board of Directors’ March 2019 agenda

**Board of Directors Disposition:**
On the Board of Directors’ March 8, 2019, agenda as Resolution No. 2019-016.