TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: March 6, 2020

RE: Resolution No. 2020-16: Facility Planning Area (FPA) Modification Request: North Olmsted FPA Boundary and Prescriptions Modification in Olmsted Township, Cuyahoga County

ACTION REQUESTED
The Board of Directors is asked to approve the facility planning area (FPA) modification request by the Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works. Specifically, the item will:

- Add eight (8) parcels (64.9 acres) currently not within a Facility Planning Area (FPA) to the North Olmsted FPA in Olmsted Township; and

- Change the Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment (Prescriptions) for the parcels within the proposed modification area to make sanitary sewer connections consistent with the Clean Water 2000 Plan (208 Plan).

This Planning and Programming Committee and Water Quality Subcommittee supports this recommendation.

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION
Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works (CCDPW) requests a modification of the North Olmsted FPA to include eight (8) parcels (64.9 acres) south of John Road in Olmsted Township (formerly the Links Golf Course). The current FPA boundary has the parcels outside the North Olmsted FPA in a non-FPA area (area is not assigned to a specific wastewater treatment plant). The current Prescription for all of the parcels is "areas served by on-site systems," which restricts the extension of sanitary sewers (Attachment A). If approved, the request would transfer the parcels into the North Olmsted FPA and change the Prescription for each parcel to "sewers expected within 20 years."

Under the federal Clean Water Act and Ohio Revised Code, Ohio EPA cannot issue a wastewater Permit-to-Install (PTI) that conflicts with the 208 Plan. The FPA modification is needed to provide sanitary sewer service to two (2) planned housing developments at the former golf course site. New sanitary sewers and a pump station connected to the North Olmsted sewerage system will serve the proposed 140 lots. Existing soil and high water table conditions prohibit the use of on-site sewage treatment systems (septic systems). The requested FPA modifications would make sanitary sewer service for the new housing developments consistent with the 208 Plan and allow Ohio EPA to issue needed PTIs.
The affected jurisdictions are the City of North Olmsted and Olmsted Township. Each jurisdiction has submitted a letter of support for the FPA modification request to fulfill the 208 Plan notification requirements.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**
NOACA’s approval of the boundary change will not result in any financial impact to NOACA.

**CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS**
Pending Board approval, NOACA staff will submit the updated FPA boundary 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, 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 Cuyahoga County Department of Public Works, with support from North Olmsted and Olmsted Township, proposes a modification of the FPA boundary to include eight (8) parcels (64.9 acres) south of John Road in Olmsted Township (formerly the Links Golf Course) for the benefit of regional water quality and economic development; and

WHEREAS, the FPA boundary change will transfer eight parcels covering 64.9 acres currently not within a Facility Planning Area (FPA) to the North Olmsted FPA in Olmsted Township;

WHEREAS, the Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment (Prescriptions) for the parcels within the modification area will be changed to make sanitary sewer connections consistent with the Clean Water 2000 Plan; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of forty-six 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 Boundary Map is amended to reflect the transfer of eight parcels totaling 64.9 acres from an area not within an FPA to the North Olmsted FPA as shown in Attachment B.

Section 2. The Executive Director is authorized to submit the new boundaries 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 13th day of March 2020.

Secretary: __________________________

Date Signed: March 13, 2020