

NORTHEAST OHIO FOUR COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATION

Clean Water Plan Amendments

Draft Report

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This report is submitted in fulfillment of Milestone 1, from NEFCO's Scope of Work, Exhibit A of NEFCO's water quality management contract with Ohio EPA. The scope calls for NEFCO to assist members in processing Plan amendments through the Environmental Resources Technical Advisory Committee and NEFCO General Policy Board.

Summary

NEFCO completed seven amendments to the Clean Water Plan in the NEFCO region, during FY2009. These amendments changed facilities planning area boundaries and/or wastewater prescriptions. Assistance was also provided to communities, counties, and consultants to clarify their wastewater prescriptions or answer questions regarding NEFCO's amendment process.

Discussion

The Clean Water Plan seeks to protect water resources by maximizing the use of existing wastewater infrastructure. The Plan supports this through the coordination of communities' priorities in NEFCO's watersheds. NEFCO's efficient amendment process enables the Ohio EPA to use this information as part of its process to issue wastewater discharge permits that are timely and protective of the environment.

Table 1 shows the seven amendments from the NEFCO region. The individual approval packets are included in the attached appendices.

FPA	Designated Management Agency	Approved Date	Appendix
Marshallville	Village of Marshallville	August 20, 2008	A
Kidron	Wayne County	August 20, 2008	B
Massillon	City of Massillon	October 15, 2008	C
Rittman	City of Rittman	October 15, 2008	D
Eastwood	Wayne County	October 15, 2008	E
Alliance	City of Alliance	March 18, 2009	F
Cuyahoga Valley Interceptor	Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District	April 15, 2009	G

Each of the amendments were reviewed by NEFCO's Environmental Resources Technical Advisory Committee (ERTAC) and approved by the NEFCO General Policy Board. The resolutions from the Board are also included in the appendices. Letters and copies of the packets were submitted to the pertinent Designated Management Agency (DMAs), all the affected parties, and the Ohio EPA.

Technical assistance was provided to communities, counties, consultants, and the Ohio EPA but none, thus far, has resulted in Clean Water Plan amendments. The assistance was for clarification of prescriptions or lead agency (government) determination before discharge permits would or would not be issued, as well as questions regarding NEFCO's amendment process. These are listed in Table 2. It is expected that there could be plan amendments as the communities decide the future of growth and development in those areas.

Table 2	
NEFCO Clean Water Plan Technical Assistance	
FPA	Designated Management Agency
Wayne County	Wayne County
Franklin-Green	Summit County
Alliance	Alliance Eastgate Regional Council of Governments

The Clean Water Plan and its amendment process facilitate compliance with the Clean Water Act by coordinating the needs and priorities of local and county governments with Ohio EPA's permitting authority. This coordination encourages efficient growth and development in the region and protects water and land resources.

In addition to processing Clean Water Plan amendments and providing technical assistance NEFCO also assisted the Ohio EPA's Division of Environmental Financial Assistance (DEFA) and NEFCO's membership in reviewing requests for Water Pollution Control Loan Funds (WPCLF). Under an agreement with DEFA NEFCO receives all WPCLF requests from its region when these requests are near approval for funding. Using NEFCO-approved criteria, NEFCO staff review how the funds will be used to determine whether or not a Clean Water Plan consistency review will be necessary. Projects that are exempted from the consistency review instead receive a letter from NEFCO indicating that no conflict exists between what is proposed and the NEFCO CWP. The loan requests received during FY2009 are listed in Table 3.

Table 3	
Water Pollution Control Loan Fund Projects Reviewed by NEFCO	
FPA	Project Sponsor County/Community
Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District	Village of Richfield
Barberton	City of Barberton

APPENDIX A

Amendment of the Clean Water Plan to the Marshallville Facilities Plan in the Village of Marshallville

August 20, 2008

APPENDIX B

**Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Kidron Facilities Plan in
Wayne County**

August 20, 2008

APPENDIX C

**Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Massillon Facilities Plan
in the City of Massillon**

October 15, 2008

APPENDIX D

**Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Rittman Facilities Plan in
the City of Rittman**

October 15, 2008

APPENDIX E

**Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Eastwood Facilities Plan
in Wayne County**

October 15, 2008

APPENDIX F

**Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Alliance Facilities Plan in
the City of Alliance**

March 18, 2009

APPENDIX G

**Amendment to the Clean Water Plan for the Cuyahoga Valley
Interceptor Facilities Plan in the
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April 15, 2009

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Note: All pertinent details to each of these amendments are contained on the enclosed CD.