

#### NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: December 4, 2015

RE: Resolution No. 2015-068 - Facility Planning Area (FPA) Revision Request: Transfer of

45 Parcels in Orange Village from a Non-FPA to Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORSD) Mill Creek FPA and Modification of Prescriptions for Wastewater

**Treatment** 

## **ACTION REQUESTED**

The Board of Directors is asked to approve proposed modifications to the NEORSD Mill Creek FPA boundary and the prescriptions for wastewater treatment in the Village of Orange.

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

## **BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION FOR CURRENT ACTION**

NEORSD and Orange Village have a sewer service agreement allowing for the connection of parcels within specific areas of the Village to the Mill Creek Interceptor System. The service agreement includes the 11 Village parcels (123.0 acres) <sup>1</sup> adjacent to Interstate 271 (I-271) and Orange Place near the Harvard Road interchange. This area is identified as "Existing NEORSD Service Area" on Attachment A. In August 2015, NEORSD and Orange Village amended their service agreement to include 34 parcels (61.25 acres) along Pinecrest Drive. Orange Village is in the process of reviewing and approving a commercial development along Pinecrest Drive which includes the installation of sanitary sewers. This area is identified as "Pinecrest Development" in Attachment A. Neither the "Existing NEORSD Service Area," nor "Pinecrest Development," are within the NEORSD Mill Creek FPA.

In order for sanitary sewer connections within these two areas to be consistent with the 208 Plan, NEORSD has requested a transfer of 45 parcels, totaling 184.25 acres, from a non-FPA to the NEORSD Mill Creek FPA. There is currently not a designated management agency (DMA) for the 45 parcels since it does not reside in a FPA. Attachment A shows the location of the transfer request and is titled "Parcels to be transferred to Mill Creek FPA."

The FPA amendment request also includes proposed changes to the prescriptions. Attachment B shows that all 45 parcels in the transfer area have the current prescription of "Area Served by On-Site Systems." Sanitary sewer connections are not consistent with this prescription. The proposed prescriptions for the 45

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The number of parcels vary from the six parcels in NEORSD's letter because NOACA included five parcels associated with I-271 in the proposed transfer area.

parcels are shown on Attachment C, and do allow for the connection of sanitary sewers. The parcels adjacent to existing sewers connected to the Mill Creek Interceptor System along Harvard Road and Orange Place have a proposed prescription of "currently sewered." The parcels along Pinecrest Drive and Harvard Road without frontage to existing sanitary sewers have the proposed prescription "sewers expected within 20 years." The prescription changes are based on existing sewer infrastructure, the sewer service agreement between NEORSD and Orange Village and would make sanitary sewer connections consistent with the 208 Plan.

Both the NEORSD and Orange Village have submitted letters of support for the proposed FPA modification request. The Mill Creek Interceptor System has the conveyance and treatment capacity to accept the wastewater flow from the proposed transfer area.

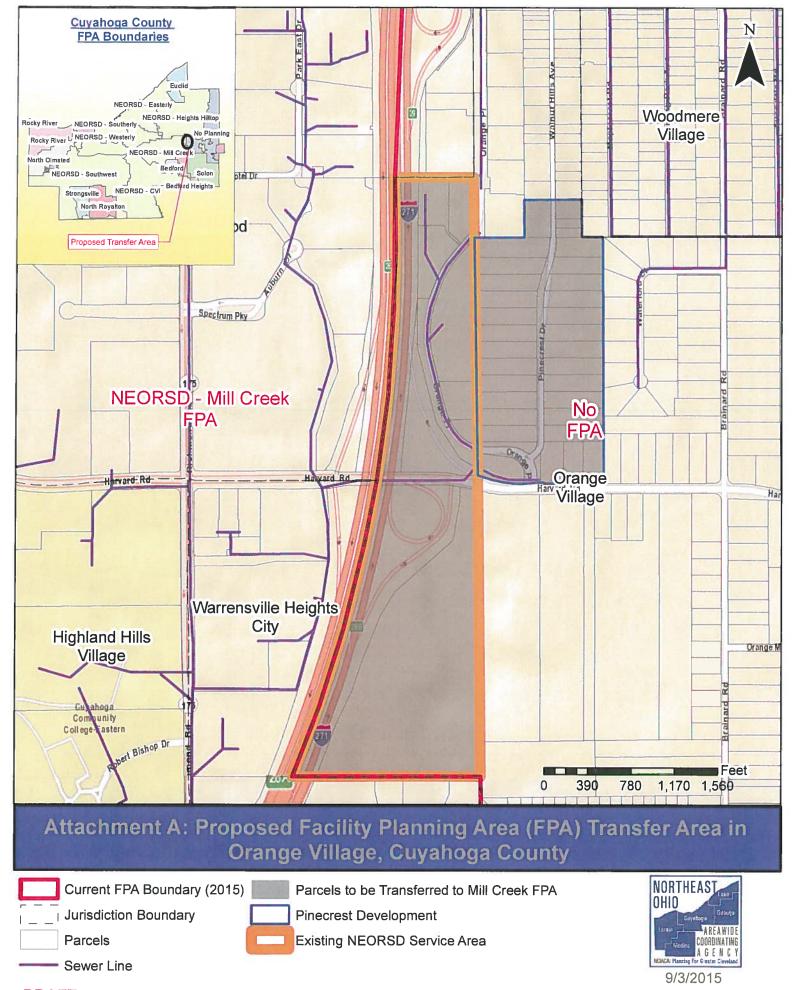
### FINANCIAL IMPACT

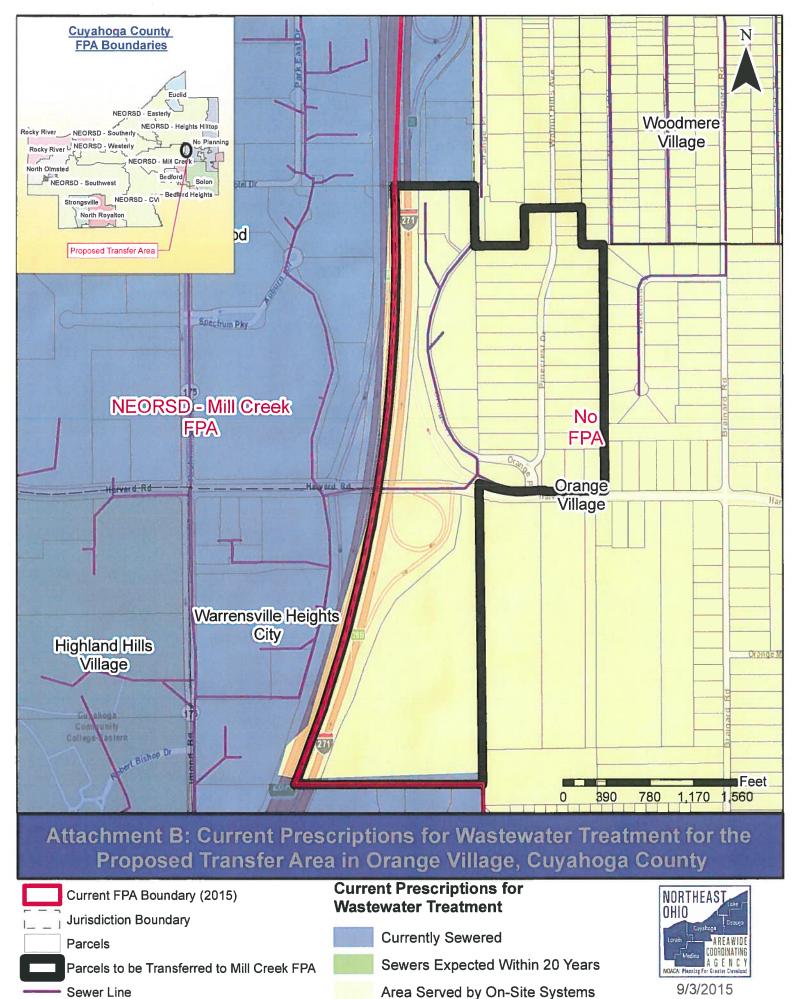
NOACA's approval of the boundary change will not result in any financial impact to NOACA.

#### **CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS**

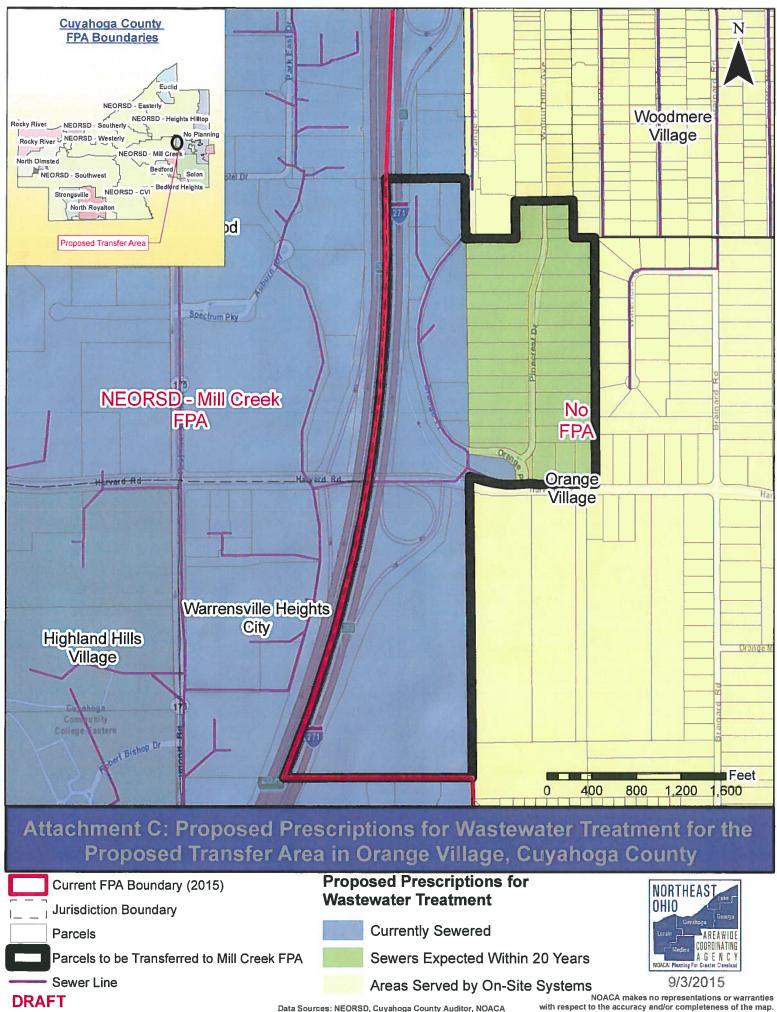
Pending Board approval, NOACA staff will submit the updated FPA boundaries and prescriptions to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

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

<u>WHEREAS</u>, 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

- <u>WHEREAS</u>, 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
- <u>WHEREAS</u>, 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
- <u>WHEREAS</u>, the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District (NEORSD), with the support of the Village of Orange, has requested a transfer of 45 parcels totaling 184.25 acres from an non-FPA to the NEORSD Mille Creek FPA for the benefit of regional water quality and economic development; and
- <u>WHEREAS</u>, the NEORSD, with the support of the Village of Orange, requested changes to the prescriptions for wastewater treatment for 45 parcels totaling 184.25 acres in the Village of Orange to allow of the extension of sanitary sewers; and
- <u>WHEREAS</u>, the NOACA Water Quality Subcommittee, Planning and Programming Committee and Executive Committee reviewed the transfer request and recommended that the Board of Directors approve the FPA boundary and 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:
- <u>Section 1</u>. The *Clean Water 2000* Plan's FPA Boundary Map is amended to reflect the transfer of 45 parcels totaling 184.25 acres shown in Attachment A from a non-FPA to the NEORSD Mill Creek FPA.
- <u>Section 2</u>. The *Clean Water 2000* Plan's Prescriptions for Wastewater Treatment Map is amended for 45 parcels totaling 184.25 acres in the Village of Orange as shown in Attachment C.
- **Section 3.** The Executive Director is authorized to submit the new boundaries to Ohio EPA for certification by the Governor.
- <u>Section 2</u>. 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 11th day of December 2015.

Secretary: Meall June

Date Signed: 12-11-15