



## NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** NOACA Board of Directors

**FROM:** Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

**DATE:** September 1, 2017

**RE:** **Resolution No. 2017-039; Facility Planning Area (FPA) Boundary Modification Request: Lorain County Rural Wastewater District (LORCO) in Columbia Township**

#### **ACTION REQUESTED**

The Board of Directors is asked to approve the proposed FPA modification in Columbia Township, Lorain County. Specifically, the item will transfer two (2) parcels encompassing 1.5 acres in Columbia Township from the Lorain County FPA to the Avon Lake/LORCO Phase I FPA (Phase I FPA).

The Water Quality Subcommittee and Planning and Programming Committee support this request.

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

The property owner of permanent parcel numbers (PPNs) 1200099000007 and 1200099000035 in Columbia Township requested the undeveloped parcels be moved from the Lorain County FPA to the Phase I FPA (Attachments A and B). The property owner intends to construct a single house on the two parcels. LORCO has a sewer line along Hawke Road with frontage to the parcels, but the properties currently reside in the Lorain County FPA (Attachment A). In order for LORCO's sewer line to be available and accessible, the parcels must be transferred to the Phase I FPA (Attachment B). 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.

Columbia Township is not a member of LORCO. In order to allow for Columbia Township parcels along Hawke Road to connect to LORCO's sewers, a sanitary sewer service agreement was reached between Lorain County, LORCO, the City of Avon Lake and Columbia Township. Under the agreement, upon a written request from a landowner along Hawke Road to connect to LORCO's sewer line, all parties agree to give their approval for the FPA change to transfer the requesting parcels from the Lorain County FPA to the Phase I FPA. The agreement also reaffirms Lorain County's sewer planning authority as the Designated Management Agency (DMA) for the Columbia Township parcels along Hawke Road.

The City of Avon Lake, Lorain County and Columbia Township have submitted letters of support for LORCO's request. The support letters fulfill the notification requirements in Policy 4-6 of Clean Water 2000, NOACA's Water Quality Management Plan (208 Plan).

**FINANCIAL IMPACT**

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

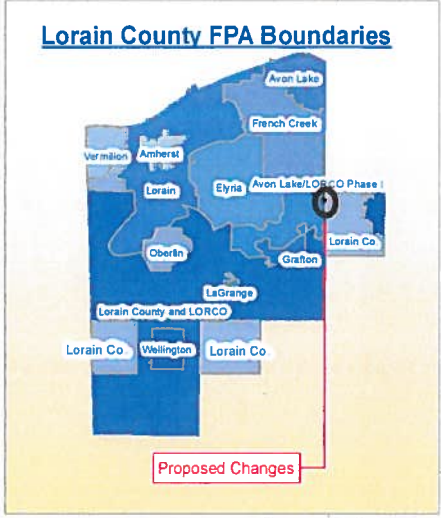
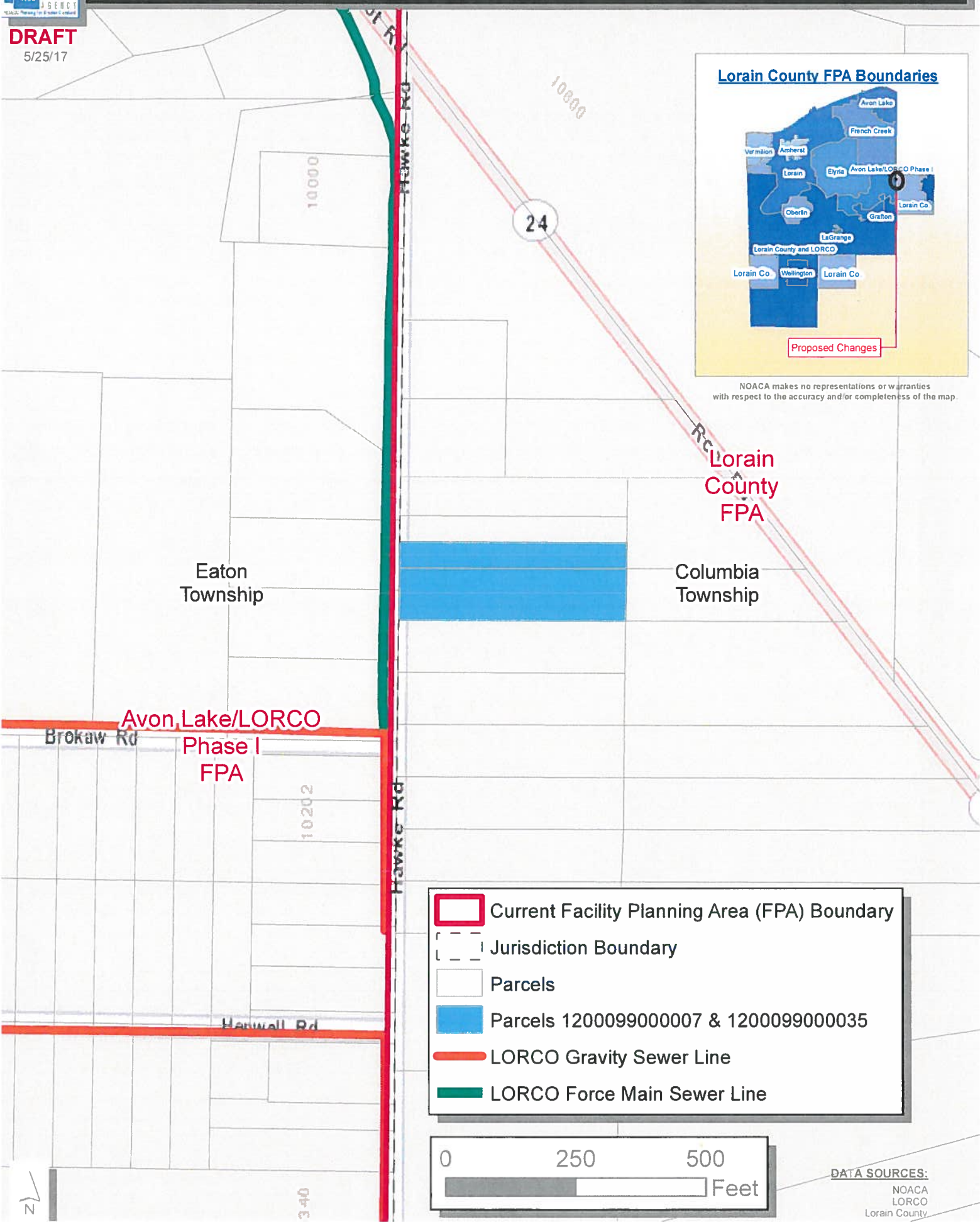
**CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS**

With Board approval, NOACA staff will update FPA boundary descriptions and maps and submit the appropriate documents to the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency.

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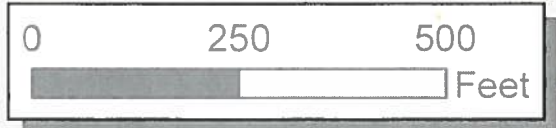
**ATTACHMENT A: CURRENT FPA BOUNDARY FOR PARCELS 1200099000007 AND 1200099000035 IN COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, LORAIN COUNTY.**

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

	Current Facility Planning Area (FPA) Boundary
	Jurisdiction Boundary
	Parcels
	Parcels 1200099000007 & 1200099000035
	LORCO Gravity Sewer Line
	LORCO Force Main Sewer Line

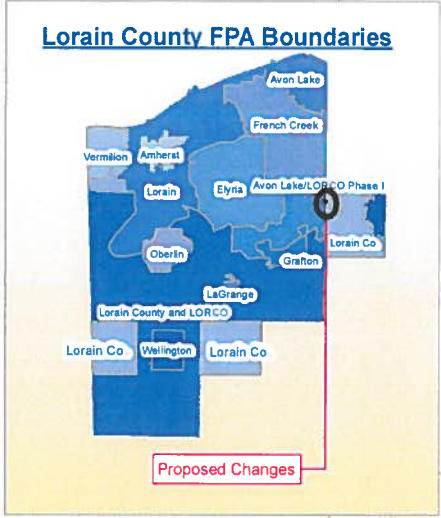
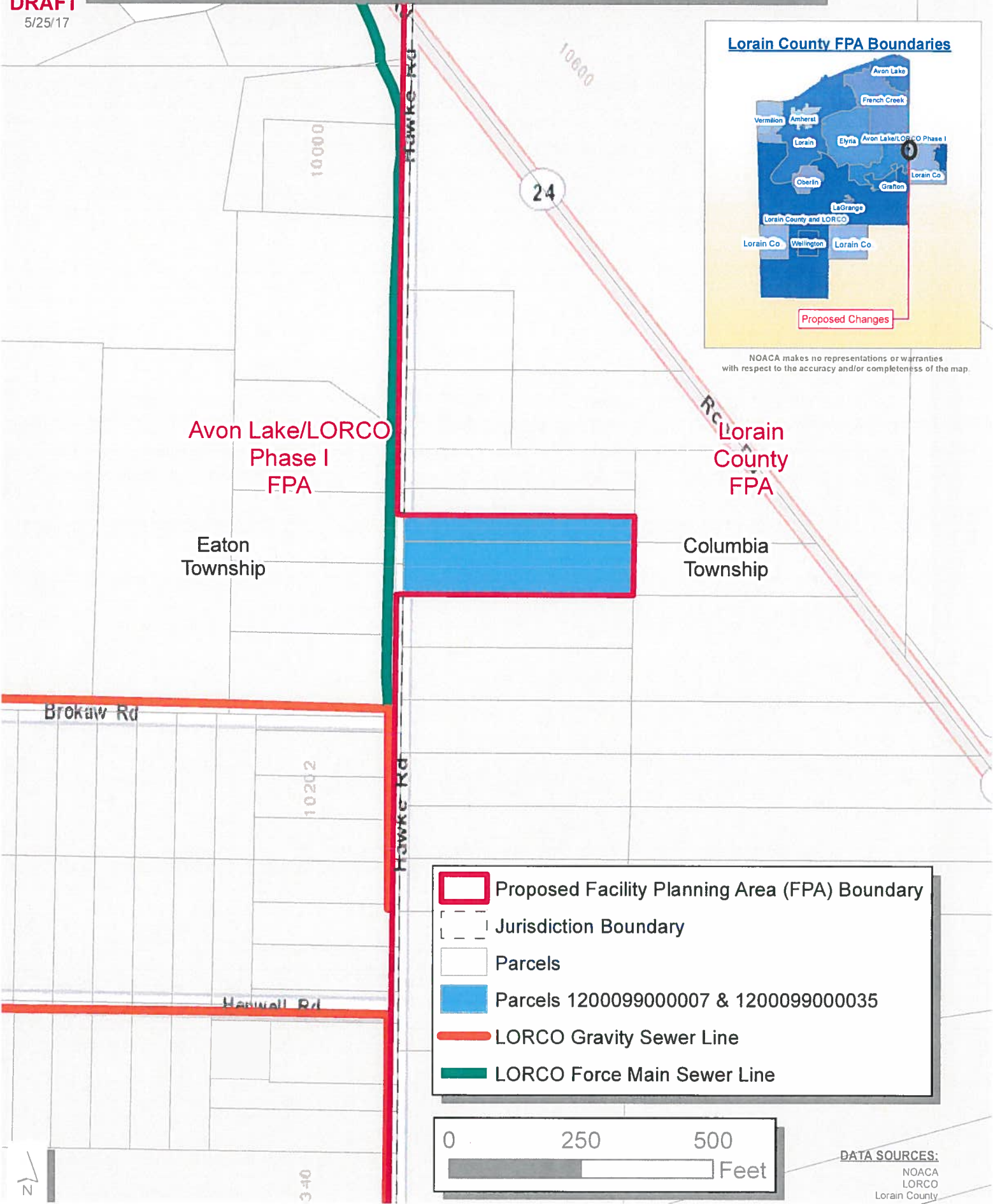


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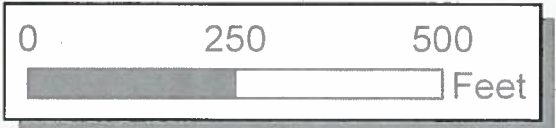
# ATTACHMENT B: PROPOSED FPA BOUNDARY FOR PARCELS 1200099000007 & 1200099000035 IN COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP, LORAIN COUNTY.

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**RESOLUTION 2017-039  
(LORAIN COUNTY RURAL  
WASTEWATER DISTRICT (LORCO)  
FPA BOUNDARY MODIFICATION  
REQUEST IN COLUMBIA TOWNSHIP)**

**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 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 Lorain County Rural Wastewater District (LORCO), with the support of Lorain County, City of Avon Lake and Columbia Township, proposes a modification of the FPA boundary between the Avon Lake/LORCO Phase I FPA and the Lorain County FPA to allow for the connection of sanitary sewer connections within the Columbia Township for the benefit of regional water quality and economic development; and

**WHEREAS**, the FPA boundary change will transfer two parcels covering 1.5 acres from the Lorain County FPA to the Avon Lake/LORCO Phase I; 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 change.

**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 two parcels totaling 1.5 acres from the Lorain County FPA to the Avon Lake/LORCO Phase I FPA as shown in Attachment B.

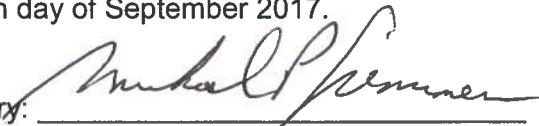
**Section 2.** The Executive Director is authorized to submit the new boundaries to Ohio EPA for certification by the Governor.

**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 8th day of September 2017.

Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Signed: \_\_\_\_\_



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