

QUARTERLY UPDATE: 208 PLAN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

Water Quality Subcommittee, September 15, 2017

ACTION REQUESTED

For Information Only: Staff will ultimately request support for a new 208 Plan after a multi-year planning process.

- **New 208 Plan (Quarterly Update)**

PREVIOUS ACTION

Informational Quarterly Updates

BACKGROUND

Staff initiated the new 208 Plan development process in October 2016.

Section 208 of the Clean Water Act

- NOACA is a water quality management agency (Governor of Ohio)
- NOACA required to maintain and update the region's 208 Plan

A Working Group of regional stakeholders and technical experts will help staff develop a new 208 Plan



BACKGROUND

208 Working Group last met on August 30, 2017

Agenda Items Included:

- Recap of May 24, 2017 meeting
- Overview of Chapter Focus Groups
- Discussion on Upcoming Public Engagement Opportunities
- Feedback on Chapter 3: NOACA's Processes, Plan Modifications and Community Engagement (post-plan)
- Discussion on Draft Components for Chapter 2: Current Conditions & Projected Development
- Discussion on Draft Chapter 8: Watershed Planning in Northeast Ohio

BACKGROUND

Chapter Focus Group Purpose:

- Update chapters on specific water quality topics
- Policies, recommendations and strategies

Members:

- Active professionals and stakeholders
- Expertise in the chapter's content

Chapters with Focus Groups:

- Chapter 4: Wastewater Management Facility Planning
- Chapter 5: Management of Home Sewage and Semi-Public Disposal Systems
- Chapter 6: Management of Nonpoint Source Pollution and Storm Water Runoff



BACKGROUND

NOACA's Public Participation Goals:

- Provide timely information about planning issues and processes to the public;
- Foster transparency by providing reasonable public access to technical and policy information used in the development of plans;
- Provide adequate notice of public involvement and planning activities;
- Continually seek specific ways to engage and consider the needs of all segments of the population; and
- Obtain early and continuous public involvement in NOACA's planning processes

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Upcoming Engagement Events:

Saturday, September 16, 2017

NEORSD's 10th Annual 2017 Open House

Tuesday, September 26, 2017

Medina Soil & Water Conservation District's (SWCD) Open House

October 2017

Lorain County Designated Management Agency (DMA) Meeting



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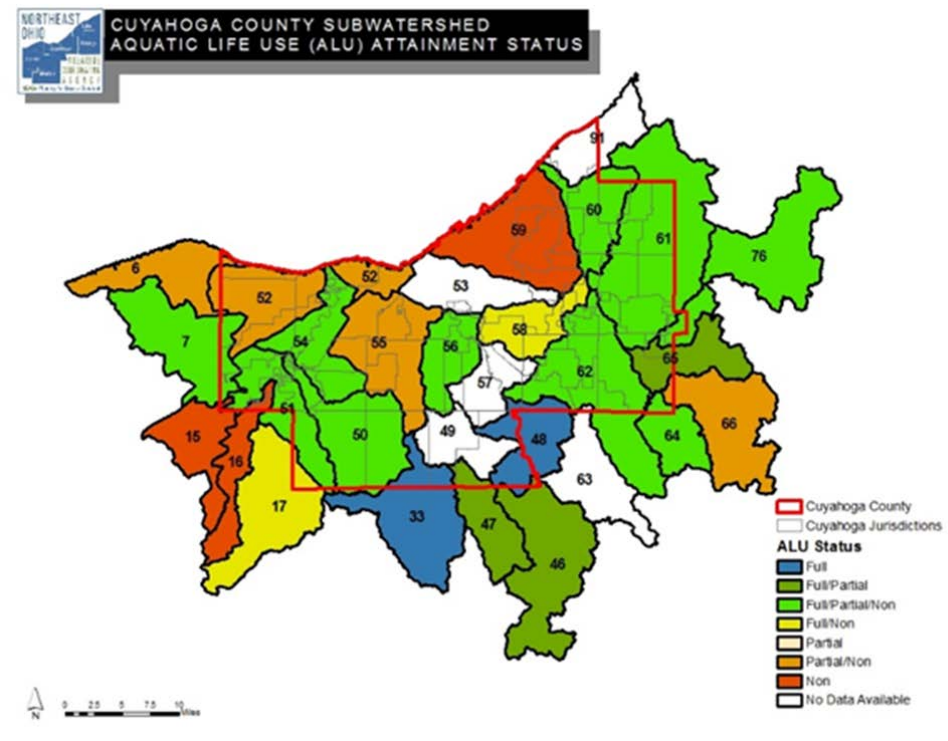
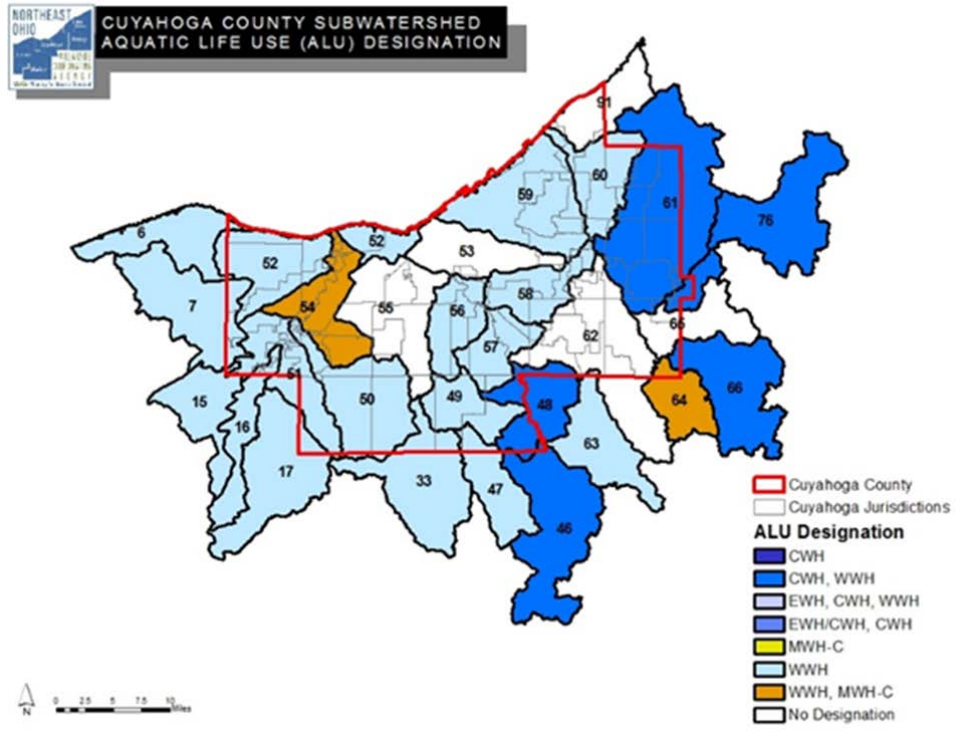
Chapter 2: Current Conditions Organization

- Overview
- Introduction
- Stream Water Quality Conditions and Standards
- Ohio EPA's Designation of Aquatic Life Uses
- Current and Forecast Population and Employment

Theme: Streams & Runoff contribute to Lake Erie and ground water conditions

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Chapter 2: ALU Designations & Attainment Status



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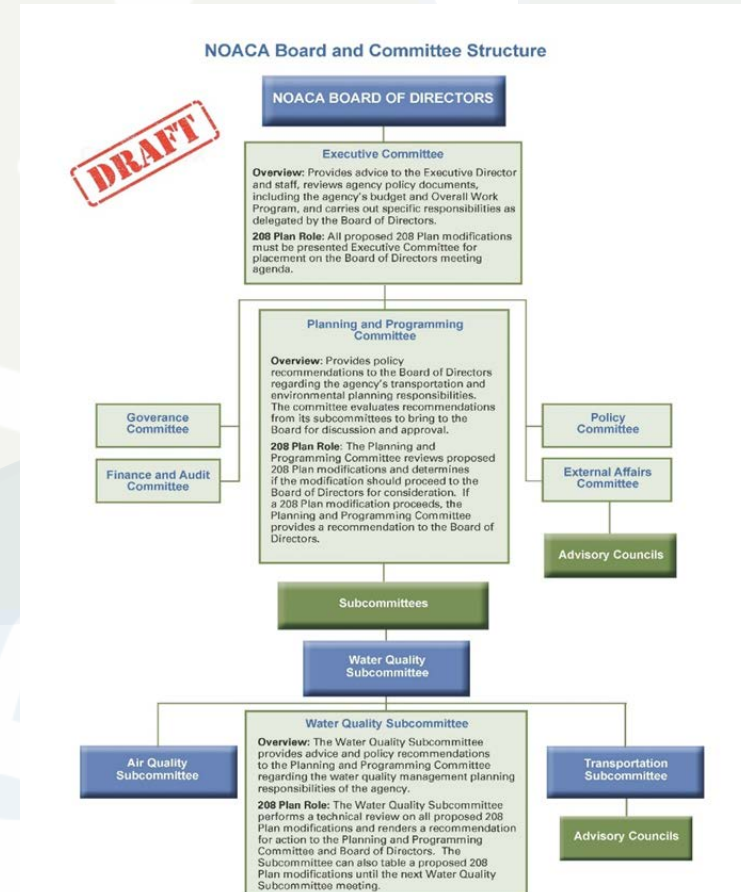
Chapter 3: NOACA Structure

A. Board of Directors

B. Committees & Subcommittees

C. NOACA Staff

Overview & 208 Plan Role



BACKGROUND

Chapter 3: Plan Modification Process:

A. 208 Plan Modifications and NOACA Board Approval

- Changes to limited and specific information can be made without Board approval
- Examples (must be listed):
 - Population and employment forecast results
 - Water quality information, maps and tables
 - Contact information
 - Critical water resources tables, graphics and maps
- Changes not listed must receive Board approval



BACKGROUND

Chapter 8: Watershed Planning

- Overview
- Introduction
- Formative Influences in Watershed Planning
- Focus on Nonpoint Source (NPS) Watershed Planning
- Federal focus on USEPA's Nine-Element Nonpoint Source Implementation Strategic Plans (NPS-IS Plans)
- Watershed Planning in Northeast Ohio

BACKGROUND

Chapter 8: Watershed Planning – Regional Watershed Planning Recommendations & Policies

- **NOACA and water quality management agencies should participate in and support watershed planning groups**
- **Water planning efforts by NOACA and local communities should adopt USEPA's and Ohio EPA's nonpoint source planning approaches**
- **Water quality management agencies should adopt regional watershed planning best management practices (BMPs)**
- **NOACA should support and advance “One Water”**
- **NOACA will support Areas of Concern (AOCs) in Northeast Ohio**
- **Others?**



NEXT STEPS

Revise, edit and finalize draft chapters 2, 3, & 8 text

Revise/finalize draft maps and tables

Initiate Focus Group meetings

Chapter 4: Wastewater Management Facility Planning

Chapter 6: Management of Nonpoint Source Pollution and Storm Water Runoff

Revise draft Chapter 7 Audit – draft text

Next 208 Plan Working Group meeting

November 15, 2017 – 9:30-11:30 a.m.

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NOACA: Planning For Greater Cleveland

NOACA will **STRENGTHEN** regional cohesion, **PRESERVE** existing infrastructure, and **BUILD** a sustainable multimodal transportation system to **SUPPORT** economic development and **ENHANCE** quality of life in Northeast Ohio.

