

NORTHEAST OHIO AREAWIDE COORDINATING AGENCY

MEMORANDUM

TO: NOACA Board of Directors

FROM: Grace Gallucci, Executive Director

DATE: October 3, 2014

RE: Resolution 2014-036 – Code of Regulations - Ratification Period Extension

ACTION REQUESTED

The Board is asked to approve Resolution 2014-036 which extends the period for ratification of the Resolutions 2014-033 and 2014-034, which made changes to the NOACA Code of Regulation, to December 1, 2014. The Governance Committee recommends this action.

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION

In July, the Board adopted three resolutions related to the NOACA Code of Regulations – 2014-032, 2014-033 and 2014-034. The latter two of these resolutions require ratification by NOACA's five counties because they make revisions to Articles IV and IX of the Code. The resolutions stated that ratification had to occur prior to September 12th to align with the Governance Committee schedule. However, a request was made to extend the ratification period until December 1, 2014 to allow counties more time for deliberation on the changes. Since this will increase the chances for successfully amending the Code of Regulations, staff recommends the extension of time permitted for ratification.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

There is no financial impact.

CONCLUSION/NEXT STEPS

With Board approval, counties which have not yet taken action on Resolutions 2014-033 and 2014-034 will have additional time to do so.

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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>, the NOACA Code of Regulations provides for the organization and operation of NOACA, its officers, its committees, and the Board of Directors itself; and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the NOACA Code of Regulations is periodically reviewed in order to increase the agency's functionality and efficiency, to allow the agency to provide greater service to its members, and to allow for increased public participation and transparency; and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the NOACA Governance Committee met to discuss improvements that might be made to the Code of Regulations and made recommendation to amend the Code to the Board of Directors; and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the Board of Directors adopted Resolutions 2014-033 and 2014-034 which revised articles IV and IX of the Code of Regulations; and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, these resolutions require ratification by all five counties in order to become effective; and

WHEREAS, a request to extend the ratification period to December 1, 2014 has been made; and

<u>WHEREAS</u>, the extended ratification period will increase the chances for successful ratification of the resolutions;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency, consisting of 45 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 ratification period for Resolutions 2014-033 and 2014-034 is extended until December 1, 2014.

Certified to be a true copy of a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency adopted this 10th day of October 2014.

Secretary

Date Signed: 10 OCT 14

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