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## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AVAILABILITY NOTICE

The Ohio EPA, through the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) program, is considering funding a project which is subject to environmental review requirements. Upper Sandusky's Water Reclamation Facility (WRF) and systems improvements project consists of influent piping improvements, new preliminary treatment components, a continuous-flow Sequencing Batch Reactor (SBR), tertiary filters, ultraviolet disinfection units, cascade aeration and a relocated outfall structure, residuals handling improvements, an administration building and lab improvements, demolition of existing facilities, and site work at the existing site of the city's WRF wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) located on 5.6 acres at 155 Indian Mill Road. Construction of the project is estimated to take 2.5 years with the total project cost being an estimated \$23,846,000. This project is expected to handle the peak wet-weather flows conveyed to the city's WRF over at least the next twenty years, including eliminating the WWTP's raw bypass by August 2020. The terms of the city's loan are expected to be a blended interest rate under 1% and a loan repayment period of 30 years.

As Ohio EPA has issued a Draft Finding of No Significant Impact and an accompanying Environmental Assessment (EA) on this project, this notice is to advise the public that it will have a 30-day period in which to review the EA and provide comments to the Ohio EPA contact named at the end of the document. This public comment period will begin with the release of the EA to the public through posting of the document in the city's offices, on Ohio EPA's website, and mailing of the EA to interested residents who either attended the city's public meeting, or respond to this availability notice by providing Ohio EPA with their name and address. A copy of this notice will also appear on the city's web site.

If you would like to receive either an electronic (PDF) copy via e-mail or a paper copy via U.S. mail upon the EA's release, please contact Kevin Hinkle at either: [kevin.hinkle@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:kevin.hinkle@epa.ohio.gov), (614) 644-3712, or by sending a written request to:

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In addition to distributing the EA to interested parties, Ohio EPA will post the EA document at the following website: <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/defa/ofa.aspx>. Once there, please scroll down to the "Documents Available for Review and Comment" heading at the bottom of the linked page. Then, please click on the "WPCLF Documents for Review and Comment" heading to see a list of documents available for downloading. A copy of Upper Sandusky WWTP and Systems EA will be posted there.