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LIMITED ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW AVAILABILITY NOTICE

The Ohio EPA, through the Water Supply Revolving Loan Account (WSRLA) program, is considering funding a proposed water treatment plant (WTP) improvements project in the City of Napoleon, Ohio, which is subject to Ohio EPA environmental review requirements. The proposed project consists of eight major improvements to the city's WTP and reimbursement of the city for costs to install two previously connected pieces of equipment. The main purpose of the proposed project is to replace the equipment at the city's WTP (such as pumps and chemical feeders) which is either obsolete or at the end of their useful lives. These improvements also are needed to address harmful algal blooms originating from pollutant-laden runoff entering the Maumee River. Perhaps most significantly, the proposed project entails modifying the volume of wastewater and types of pollutants entering the Maumee River from the city's previously National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permitted outfalls. Other associated work includes adhering to the city's storm water pollution prevention plan, traffic control plan, and related mitigation for this project to minimize impacts to residents living nearby, as well as the Maumee River during the expected two-year construction period.

As Ohio EPA will be issuing a Limited Environmental Review (LER) document and an accompanying Final Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) on this project in the near future, this notice is to advise the public that it will have through the middle of April in which to access the LER. This public information period will begin with the release of the document to the public at the city's offices, Ohio EPA's web site, and distribution of the document to interested parties.

With this release, the LER document may be viewed at either: the city's main office, 255 West Riverview Avenue, Napoleon, Ohio 43545; its homepage; or at Ohio EPA's Division of Environmental and Financial Assistance (DEFA) website at:

<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 WSRLA Documents for Review and Comment heading to see a list of documents available for downloading. A copy of the referenced LER will be posted there.

On the other hand, if you would like to receive either an electronic copy via e-mail, or a paper copy of the document via U.S. mail, please contact Kevin Hinkle of Ohio EPA at either: kevin.hinkle@epa.ohio.gov or (614) 644-3712.