



**OHIO WATER RESOURCES COUNCIL  
MEETING NOTES**

Tuesday, March 31, 2015, 2:30 p.m.  
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency  
Lazarus Government Center, Center for Excellence  
50 W. Town Street, Columbus, OH

**1. Welcome & Introductions** . . . . .Director Craig Butler, OEPA; Chairman

<b>Notes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting called to order by Director Butler.</li> <li>• Introductions around the room were given. (sign-in sheet enclosed)</li> </ul>
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**2. Overview of OWRC**  
Brian Hall, OEPA; SACG Leader

<b>Notes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Power Point of about the OWRC was presented to the Council</li> </ul>
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**3. OWRC 2015-2019 Strategic Action Plan** (briefing enclosed)  
Brian Hall, OEPA; SACG Leader

Action Request	Final Action	Notes
Approval of the Strategic Action Plan	<b>Approved</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Brian presented an overview of the OWRC and the proposed Action Plan.</li> <li>• The themes in the Action Plan are implemented through work groups and projects. Progress is tracked through a spreadsheet that is discussed at SACG meetings.</li> <li>• The Council needs to give more direction to the SACG.</li> <li>• The Council will contemplate and discuss if the OWRC is still necessary.</li> <li>• John Schlichter made a motion to approve the Action Plan. The motion was seconded by Rick Hodges. The motion carried.</li> </ul>

**4. OWRC Budget & Authorization for Assessments** (briefing enclosed)  
 Brian Hall, OEPA; SACG Leader

Action Request	Final Action	Notes
Approval of the OWRC Budget and Assessments	<b>Approved</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The proposed budget includes contributions of \$10,000 per Agency and allows for \$72,000 per year for project funding.</li> <li>• It was also requested for the Council to grant the Council Chair the authority to enter into contracts and/or agreements on behalf of the Council that do not exceed the adopted budget.</li> <li>• James Zehringer made a motion to approve the budget. The motion was seconded by Rick Hodges. The motion carried.</li> </ul>

**5. Endorsement of the Upper Scioto Watershed Balanced Growth Plan** (briefing enclosed)  
 Gail Hesse, OLEC; Executive Director

Action Request	Final Action	Notes
Endorsement of the Upper Scioto Watershed Balanced Growth Plan that was developed by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)	<b>Approved</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gail presented an overview of the Balanced Growth Program.</li> <li>• Lynn Slaby made a motion to endorse the Plan. The motion was seconded by Sadicka White. The motion carried.</li> </ul>

**6. Adoption of the Regulations and Technical Guidance for Sealing Unused Water Wells and Boreholes** (briefing enclosed)  
 Jim Raab, ODNR; Workgroup Chair

Action Request	Final Action	Notes
Adoption of the Document	<b>Approved</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jim presented an overview of the revisions made to the document.</li> <li>• Once finalized, copies will be mailed out to the local Health Departments.</li> <li>• James Zehringer made a motion to adopt the document. The motion was seconded by Lynn Slaby. The motion carried.</li> </ul>

**7. Meeting was adjourned.**