

# Maumee Watershed Nutrient TMDL Project: Addressing Lake Erie Impairments



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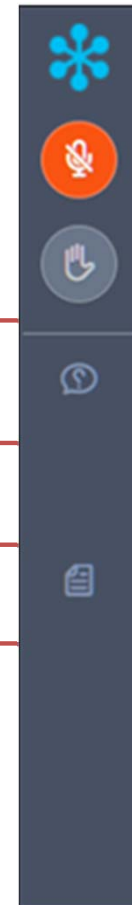
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- Staff will answer questions after the presentation
  - If the question will be addressed in the comment response document, it won't be answered today
  - Some questions may address management decisions that have not been made; those questions will not be addressed today

# Meeting Outline

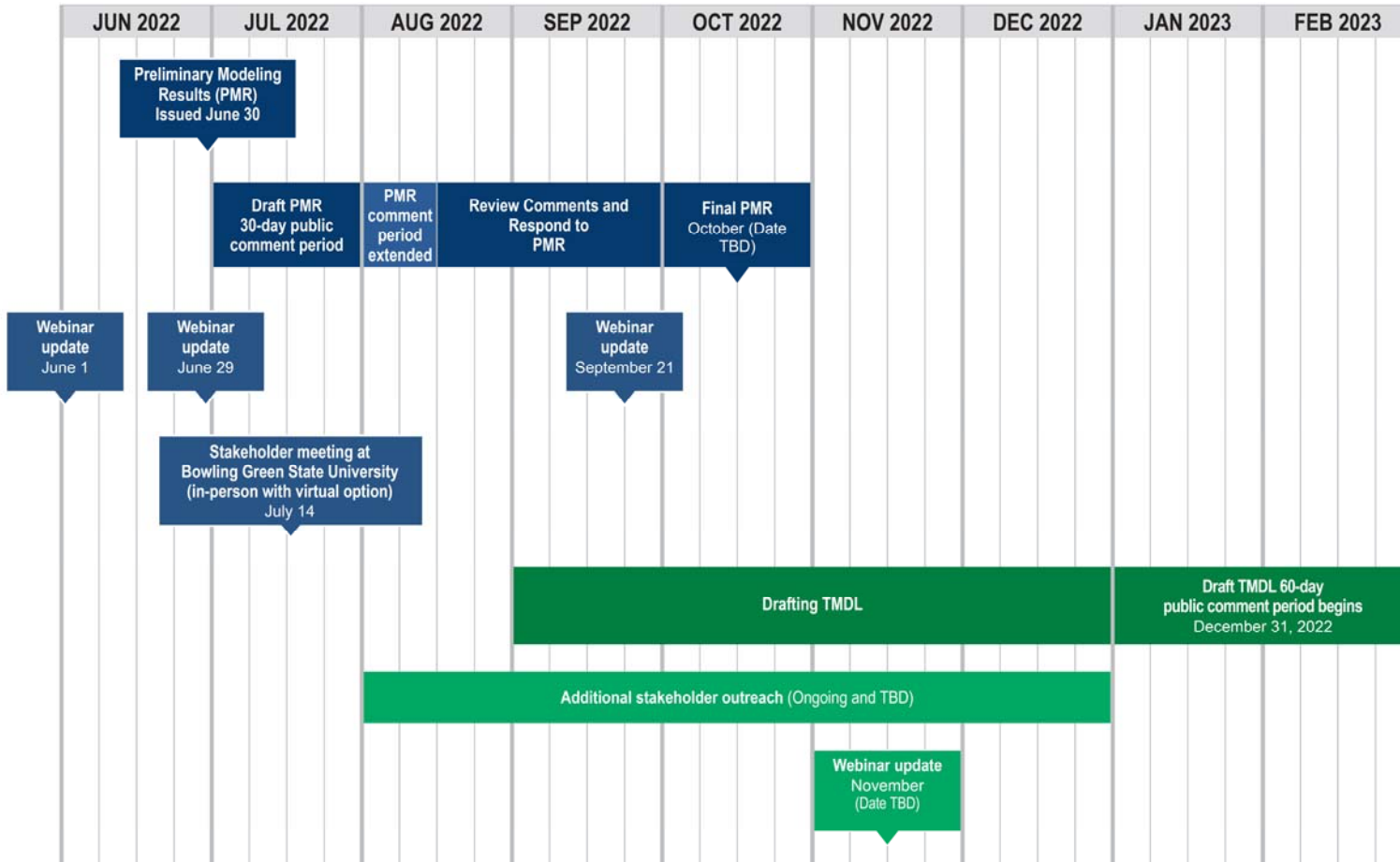
- Update on PMR comments
- Update on schedule
- New outreach effort to target underserved communities

# PMR Comments Received

- We received 17 comment letters on the draft PMR
  - Organizations represent many more individuals and entities
- Together that was greater than 140 pages and several hundred individual comments
- We are preparing the response to comments at this time and making updates to the document
- Thank you to those who submitted comments and are listening today



# Updated Project Timeline



Updated on 8/25/2022

# Targeted Outreach

- U.S. EPA funded contractor support (Tetra Tech)
- Goal: Work with local neighborhood groups and other organizations to reach disadvantaged communities not currently engaged in our outreach efforts
- Tetra Tech will help:
  - Coordinate with local groups
  - Targeted education materials
  - Facilitate an in-person presence

# Questions

- Please enter questions into the Q&A pane of the webinar
- Reminder if you are not on our listserv to receive project updates please go to this link:

[https://ohioepa.custhelp.com/app/utils/login\\_form/redirect/accoun%252Fprofile](https://ohioepa.custhelp.com/app/utils/login_form/redirect/accoun%252Fprofile)

# Questions?

- Maumee TMDL information, updates, FAQs, webinar recordings, and presentation slides are available on the Ohio EPA Maumee Watershed Nutrient TMDL webpage here: [epa.ohio.gov/divisions-and-offices/surface-water/reports-data/maumee-river-watershed](http://epa.ohio.gov/divisions-and-offices/surface-water/reports-data/maumee-river-watershed)
- Please submit questions, comments, or feedback concerning the TMDL process to [epatmdl@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:epatmdl@epa.ohio.gov)

