



MID-OHIO REGIONAL  
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PLANNING COMMISSION

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## NOTICE OF A MEETING

# CENTRAL OHIO BLUEWAYS USER EXPERIENCE WORKING GROUP

## MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION VIRTUAL MEETING

November 21, 2024, 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

### AGENDA

1. **Welcome & Purpose**
2. **Hazard Removal Consortium**
  - a. Central Ohio Blueways Role (Facilitator V Implementor)
    - Members and staff discussed the Group's potential role, debating between being a facilitator or an implementer of the Hazard Removal Consortium.
    - As a facilitator, Central Ohio Blueways would provide guidance and support but not direct involvement in hazard removal processes.
    - The consensus leaned towards Central Ohio Blueways acting primarily as a facilitator to avoid the complexities of direct implementation.
  - b. Procedural Considerations / Legalities
    - Detailed discussions on procedural steps necessary for approving and implementing hazard removal, including the roles of local municipalities and potential legal considerations.
    - The need for clear protocols and agreements for hazard removal was emphasized, highlighting the importance of defining operational boundaries and responsibilities.
    - Discussions about the procurement process and the threshold for requiring an RFP (Request for Proposals) versus using a quote process were highlighted.
  - c. Defining Hazards
    - An extensive discussion on defining what constitutes a hazard within the waterways was conducted.
    - Various methods and criteria for hazard assessment and removal were debated, including engagement with external contractors and the use of standardized definitions for consistency.
3. **Next Steps**
  - The group agreed to refine their role as facilitators in the Hazard Removal Consortium.
  - A commitment was made to develop clearer procedural guidelines and legal frameworks for future meetings.
  - Plans to define and standardize hazard descriptions and removal processes were set to be developed further.
4. **Adjourn**

William Murdock, AICP  
Executive Director

Chris Amorose Groomes  
Chair

Michelle Crandall  
Vice Chair

Ben Kessler  
Secretary

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Members Present

- Laura Ball, City of Westerville
- Elizabeth Ellman, City of Bexley
- Dan Kaderly, Metro Parks
- Randall Morgan, River Rangers International

Staff Present

- Lynn Kaufman
  - Jonathan Miller
  - Karina Peggau
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