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NOTICE OF A MEETING

CENTRAL OHIO BLUEWAYS WATER TRAIL DESIGNATION WORKING GROUP

MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION VIRTUAL MEETING

November 21st, 2024, 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM

AGENDA

1. Welcome & Purpose

Jonathan Miller announced that the purpose of this meeting is to review the newly updated field maps essential for the Water Trail Designation project. There is a need to verify and potentially update the community contacts listed for the Big Walnut area. He explained how these contacts play a role in fostering effective communication and collaboration between the various administrative bodies and the Working Group, to ensure that the project aligns with local policies and community needs.

2. Data Collection – esri Field Maps

a. Map Review

- Staff presented the maps, and emphasized the transition to a new schema for better usability and introduced editing capabilities in ArcGIS online. Members discussed portage routes and the need for communities to add information about portage locations. Staff explained the current and proposed categorizations in the maps, emphasizing the use of dropdown menus to minimize typing errors.
- Members debated the representation of "navigability" based on water levels and seasonality, leading to a suggestion to link cubic feet per second data to website resources like American Whitewater for real-time navigability information. The maps highlight the setup of access points, hazard types, and the differentiation between permanent and temporary hazards.

3. Big Walnut Communities

a. Contact Review

Staff reviewed the community contacts for Big Walnut, discussing the variability in community representatives and the need for updates, and solicited suggestions for additional contacts and emphasized the need for precise community engagement.

4. Adjourn

Please notify Tunazzina Alam at talam@morpc.org to confirm your attendance for this meeting or if you require special assistance.

The next Water Trail Designation Working Group Meeting is December 19, 2024
This Meeting will be virtual; details to follow.

William Murdock, AICP
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Chair

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Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Remote Meeting

Water Trail Designation Working Group Meeting

November 21, 2024

Members Present

- Maria Conroy, OSU
- Zac Guthrie, City of Gahanna
- Dan Kaderly, Metro Parks
- Justin Milam, City of Upper Arlington
- Alex Miu, City of Columbus
- J, Rayburn, City of Dublin

Staff Present

- Tunazzina Alam
 - Morgan Fuller
 - Lynn Kaufman
 - Jonathan Miller
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