

# MORPC IN THE NEWS

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### **CENSUS**

#### **COLUMBUS DISPATCH & OHIO NEWS TIME**

Our View: A cowtown no more, but what will Columbus become?

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, a central Ohio planning agency, projects that the 15-county area will grow to 3 million residents by 2050.

#### **COLUMBUS BUSINESS FIRST**

From the editor: Census results show Columbus solidifying its premier position in the Midwest We already have the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission's oft-quoted estimate that the Columbus region will gain 1 million new residents by the year 2050, growing its population by about 50% to around 3 million.

#### LANCASTER EAGLE GAZETTE

Lancaster and Fairfield County grew in the last 10 years as officials prepare for more

(The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission) provides estimates annually, and they were right on the money with the numbers we're seeing this year.

#### **COLUMBUS DISPATCH**

COVID and other issues may distort 2020 Census results, some experts say

"There are some concerns about undercounting potentially," said Aaron Schill, director of data and mapping for the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission.

#### **NEWARK ADVOCATE**

Johnstown population exceeds 5,000; transition from village to city begins

It was expected Johnstown would have about 5,448 residents, based on estimates by the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, but census results show it had 5,182.

## **MOBILITY**

#### EASY 95.1 FM / WMNI

Columbus Concerns with MORPC on their "Gohio Commute" Program

On this week's Columbus Concerns, Mark Nuce interviews Patty Olmsted from the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission on their "Gohio Commute" program to help central Ohioans find new ways to work through public transportation and ride sharing.

## RAPID 5

#### **COLUMBUS BUSINESS FIRST**

#### A Natural Connection

William Murdock, executive director of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, said the same kind of connective transformation is possible with Central Ohio's other waterways.

#### **COLUMBUS BUSINESS FIRST**

From the editor: How kayaks can be key to economic development

As we reported in this week's cover story, the firms were responding to a callout by the Columbus chapter of the Urban Land Institute and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission for ideas on what Central Ohio communities could do to improve the lives of their residents by making nature more accessible.

#### **COLUMBUS MESSENGER SOUTH**

Linking communities through waterways and greenways

ULI (Urban Land Institute) Columbus and the Mid-Ohio Reginal Planning commission (MORPC) partnered in organizing and sponsoring the creative exploration of Franklin County's five major waterways—the Big Darby Creek, Scioto River, Olentangy River, Alum Creek, and Big Walnut Creek.

### **TRANSPORTATION**

#### YALE CLIMATE CONNECTIONS

Cities can play a key role in the transition to electric vehicles

To answer this question for its own city, Smart Columbus worked closely with local electric utility AEP and the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission to create a map of priority charging locations.

## WATER QUALITY

#### **COLUMBUS DISPATCH & CARABINER NEWS**

MORPC Matters: Water-recreation resources must be protected, promoted

Finding information about open and public beaches here in central Ohio was far more difficult until I started to work at the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission.

#### THIS WEEK NEWS DELAWARE

Olentangy River Festival returns with renewed emphasis on land, water stewardship

"More than 20 organizations will participate with displays and activities, including... the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission"