

Maumee AOC Coordinator Report for the Maumee AOC Advisory Committee February 9, 2023

- **WildMAPs** (*BUI 14b: Wildlife Habitat*)
 - Several projects have been completed since we last met, including Oak Savannah Expansion at Secor Metropark (MAP 15-16), Penn 7 (MAP 24-17), and Maumee Bay State Park Wetland (MAP 29-17). Only 4 projects left and 3 of those are scheduled to be done in 2023!
 - ODNR Division of Forestry is making progress on their second Maumee State Forest Expansion project, however they are still looking for approximately 60 acres of additional land to acquire for enhancement, restoration, and protection. If you know of any possible property in western Lucas, eastern Fulton, or northeastern Henry counties, please let me or Don Schmenk know ASAP.
 - An updated Summary Table of the WildMAPs was provided with this report.
 - A detailed narrative tracking of the WildMAPs is available upon request.
- **AquaMAPs** (*BUI 3a, 6, 14a: Fish Pops, Benthic Pops, Fish Habitat*)
 - Two projects have been completed since we last met, both are Toledo Metroparks projects (PD-5.0, PD-6.0) that were related to the expansion work at Secor Metropark.
 - Lots of AquaMAPs are getting underway. Many have released RFPs in the last 3-4 months or will be in the next 3-4 months.
 - The AOC Program will be requesting \$5 million in implementation funding to be allocated for the Delaware/Horseshoe Islands project in March. This project is making great progress and will be having an open house information session on March 14, if you would like to learn more about the project beyond the presentation that will be given at today's meeting.
 - An updated Summary Table of the AquaMAPs was provided with this report.
 - A narrative tracking of the AquaMAPs is available upon request.
- **SedMAPs** (*BUIs vary by project site, GLLA contaminated sediment*)
 - Ohio continues to work with federal partners to make progress on these sediment projects.
 - The Sediment Site Characterization Reports are complete for both Swan Creek and the Lower Maumee River (LMR). Links to these documents are available on the Maumee AOC website on the Sediment Projects tab.
 - Focused Feasibility Studies for Swan Creek and the 2 Lower Maumee River sites continue. Draft FFS reports and associated public meeting(s) are expect in the Summer 2023.
 - An updated Summary Table of the SedMAPs was provided with this report.
 - A narrative tracking of the SedMAPs is available upon request.
- **Misc. MAPs** (*BUIs 4, 7, 8, 10, 11*)
 - **BUI 4: Deformities & Tumors** – US FWS will be conducting additional liver tumor sampling and possibly from fish community sampling this summer.
 - **BUI 7: Dredging** – Ohio EPA personnel are reviewing the sediment data collected in 2021.
 - **BUI 10a: Beach Closings (advisories)** – Project is in progress.
 - **BUI 8b: Eutrophication** – I will update the committee at a future meeting.
 - **BUI 11: Aesthetics** – BUI removal package is being updated based on US EPA comments. Hope to share it with the MAAC for their review before the end of February, then it will go to public comment.
- **AOC Program Updates**
 - US AOC Conference is being planned for this Fall, most likely in September in the upper Great Lakes. Stay tuned for more info.