# PUTNAM COUNTY VILLAGE OF COLUMBUS GROVE EAST SYCAMORE STREET IMPROVEMENT PROJECT CDBG GRANT NUMBER: B-F-21-1CL-1

### **DECEMBER 2021**

# **Prepared by:**

Great Lakes Community Action Partnership
127 S. Front Street Fremont, Ohio 43420

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW RECORD**

### **PUTNAM COUNTY**

### **Village of Columbus Grove Street Improvements Project**

### CDBG GRANT No. B-F-21-1CL-1

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Combined Notice Request for Release of Funds (NOI/RROF) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

# **CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION SUBJECT TO SECTION 58.5 WORKSHEET**



# Categorical Exclusion Subject to Section 58.5 Worksheet

Grantee	Putnam County			
Grant Number	B-F-21-1CL-1			
Activity Name	Street Improvements			
Activity Location	East Sycamore Street, Village of Columbus Grove			
Removing a Street between benefit 1,94	cription and Outcomes:  nd replacing 1,100 LF of deteriorated curb and five catch basins on East Sycamore een Vidette Street and Elm Street. The National Objective is Area Wide Benefit and will 1 individuals, 998 of which are LMI, determined from an income survey that determined s 51.42% LMI.			
Determination:				
□ Categoria	□ Categorical Exclusion Subject to Sec. 58.5 [per 24 CFR Section 58.35(a)]			
Categorical Exclusion, Subsequently <b>Exempt</b> (No compliance or mitigation required for any of the listed statutes or authorities) [per 24 CFR Section 58.34(a)(12)]				
Preparer Na	me: Ben Martens, GLCAP			
Signature _	Be Mart Date: 12/9/2021			



# **List of Attachments**

□ Location Map
Site Photographs
Copies of other Environmental Analyses (if applicable) List:
Other Relevant Correspondence and Notifications (if applicable) List: SHPO Section 106 Coordination Letter
Notice of Intent to Request Release of Funds (NOI/RROF)* Date: 12/22/2021
*Not required if project converts to "Exempt" per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(12)
Request for Release of Funds (RROF)* Date: 1/18/2022
*Or Certification of Determination of Subsequent Exemption For a Categorical Exclusion Project if project converts to "Exempt" per 24 CFR 58.34(a)(12)
Release of Funds (ROF) Date: 2/8/2022
Additional Documentation Describe:



### **Statutory Checklist Instructions:**

For each of the environmental laws and authorities listed below, determine the level of compliance required and provide a narrative explanation and list of supporting documentation. **The narrative must explain decision-making and compliance procedures**. Attach all supporting documentation to this worksheet.

Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5	Compliance Required?	Explanation and List of Compliance Documentation	
Historic Preservation  Resources: State Historic Preservation Office HUD Historic Preservation	No	In accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (36 CFR 800), the Ohio State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) was consulted regarding the proposed project. The SHPO certified that the the proposed project would not affect any historic properties and no further cultural resources coordination is required unless the scope of work changes or archaeological materials are discovered during the course of the project.  SHPO map of project area attached (Attachment A).  SHPO Section 106 Review certification letter attached (Attachment B).	
Floodplain Management  Resources: Floodplain Maps Floodplain Administrators HUD Floodplain Management	No	Based upon the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), the proposed project site is located within an Area of Minimal Flood Hazard.  FEMA FIRM map attached (Attachment C).	
Wetland Protection  Resources: NRCS Web Soil Survey	No	Based upon the National Wetlands Inventory Maps, there are no wetlands present on the proposed project site.  The soil present on the project site, according to the USDA NRCS Soil	
National Wetlands Inventory Ohio EPA Division of Surface Water US Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory (Permits) HUD Wetlands Protection		Survey Map, is a combination of Belmore sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, Hoytville silty clay loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes, Haskins loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes 0.3, and Millgrove loam.  USDA NRCS Soil Survey map attached (Attachment D).  National Wetlands Inventory map attached (Attachment E).	

Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5	Compliance Required?	Explanation and List of Compliance Documentation
Coastal Zone Management  Resources: Ohio Office of Coastal Management Ohio Coastal Atlas Map Viewer	No	The proposed project site is not located in a coastal zone management area.  ODNR Coastal Erosion map attached (Attachment F).  ODNR Coastal Management map attached (Attachment G).
Resources: Ohio EPA Sole Source Aquifers in Ohio HUD Sole Source Aquifers	No	According to the Ohio EPA Sole Source Aquifier Map, the proposed project site is not located within a sole source aquifer, therefore no impacts will occur.  Ohio EPA Sole Source Aquifers map attached (Attachment H).
Endangered Species  Resources: US Fish & Wildlife Service Section 7 information Endangered Species in Ohio Ohio Natural Heritage Database HUD Endangered Species	No	Based upon the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) endangered species list for the proposed project site in Putnam County, and the fact that the proposed project consists of improvements to an existing public road that will not disturb habitat, no impacts are anticipated to occur to endangered or threatened species.  USFWS Endangered Species list for Putnam County attached (Attachment I).
Wild and Scenic Rivers  Resources: ODNR Scenic Rivers HUD Wild and Scenic Rivers	No	The proposed project site is not located near a scenic river, as defined by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources.  ODNR Scenic Rivers map attached (Attachment J).
Air Quality	Yes	No permanent air emissions will be produced in the project area by the proposed improvements to the existing public road.
Resources:  Ohio EPA Asbestos Program Ohio EPA Notification of Demolition and Renovation HUD Air Quality		Project-connected emission sources are machinery exhausts, workers automobile exhausts, and power supplier emissions due to electricity used by the project.  Machinery exhausts during construction will be temporary and will be controlled by requiring equipment to be in good working order.
		Best management practices and reasonably available control measures shall be employed by the contractors to control fugitive dust during construction.

Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5	Compliance Required?	Explanation and List of Compliance Documentation
		Construction drawings/specifications shall be modified to include the following statement: "The Contractor shall at no time incoroprate any materials which are composed of or contain any amount of asbestos. The substitution of materials which contain any amount of asbestos will in no circumstances be acceptable. Upon completion of the project, the Contractor shall submit a written statement or certification asserting that no asbestos-containing materials were used in any portion of the construction."
Farmland Protection	No	As the proposed project consists of improvements to an existing public road, no impacts are anticipated to occur to any farmland.
Resources:  NRCS Farmland Protection Policy Act  HUD Farmlands Protection		
Noise Abatement and Control	Yes	Noise levels in the project area are typical for residential land use and are estimated at 40 - 45 dba. Noise disturbance should be short term as
Resources: HUD Noise Abatement and Control		construction equipment will be operated during daylight hours. The project, once completed, will have no noise additional impacts.
HUD Noise Guidebook HUD Day/Night Noise Level Electronic Assessment Tool		The proposed project site is located approximately 11 miles away from the nearest airport.
HUD Sound Transmission Classification Assessment Tool ODOT Traffic Count Data		Map displaying project site and airport location attached (Attachment K).
Ohio Airport Information Airport Master Records and Reports		
PUCO/ORDC Railroad Information System Federal Railroad Administration Query by Location tool		
Airport Clear Zones and Accident Potential Zones	No	The proposed project site is not located within an Airport Clear Zone or Accident Potential Zone.
Resources: Ohio Airport Information		
HUD Airport Hazards		
Airport Master Records and Reports		

Statutes, Executive Orders, and Regulations listed at 24 CFR §58.5	Compliance Required?	Explanation and List of Compliance Documentation	
Explosive and Flammable Operations	No	The proposed project will not contain explosive and flammable operations during construction activities or operations of the proposed street	
Resources: HUD Explosive and Flammable Facilities US EPA NEPAssist US EPA Envirofacts HUD Choosing an Environmentally Safe Site Acceptable Separation Distance Calculator Acceptable Separation Distance Guidebook		improvements.  The project site is located in a residential area. The majority of the surrounding area is buildings of similar construction. There are no adjacent uses that pose an explosive or flammable threat.	
Site Contamination  Resources: HUD Site Contamination US EPA NEPAssist	No	The site is an existing public road. No site contamination exists that threatens the proposed improvements.	
US EPA Envirofacts Ohio Tank Tracking & Environmental Regulations HUD Choosing an Environmentally Safe Site			
Environmental Justice	No	The USEPA defines environmental justice as follows: "Fair treatment means no group of people, including racial, ethnic or socioecnomic groups should	
Resources: HUD Environmental Justice US EPA Environmental Justice		bear a disporportionate share of the negative environmental consequence resulting from industrial, municipal or commercial operations or the execution of federal, state, local and tribal programs and policies".	
US EPA EJSCREEN		As the site is an existing public road, no environmental justice issues are foreseen.	



# 24 CFR Section 58.6 Requirements

Airport Runway Clear Zones and Clear Zones Notification [24 C.F.R. Part 51.303(a)(3)]
Does the project involve the sale or acquisition of property located within a Civil Airport Runway Clear Zone or a Military Airfield Clear Zone?
No. Attach Source Document: (Project complies with 24 CFR 51.303(a)(3).)
Yes. <b>Notice must be provided to buyer.</b> The notice must advise the buyer that the property is in a Runway Clear Zone or Clear Zone, what the implications of such a location are, and that there is a possibility that the property may, at a later date, be acquired by the airport operator. The buyer must sign a statement acknowledging receipt of this information. (for a sample notice, see the



### Statement of Process and Status of Environmental Analysis

### Instructions:

Provide a brief description of the administrative procedures associated with the construction and presentation of the environmental review record (ERR). List the Responsible Entity, Certifying Officer, the physical location of the ERR, the dates and comment periods associated with any public notices, and contact information for the submission of comments regarding the ERR.

The Enviornmental Assessment was completed by Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP) and submitted to Putnam County in December 2021. Instructions were provided regarding the publication of the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)/Request for Release of Funds (RROF) and the necessary 15-day public comment period. During the public comment period, the environmental assessment was made available for review at the offices of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners, 245 E. Main St, Suite 101, Ottawa, OH 45875. Following the 15-day public comment period, Putnam County was to execute the Request for Release of Funds, and forward to the Ohio Department of Development with documentation of public notification. The responsible entity for Grant No. B-F-21-1CL-1 is Putnam County. The certifying officer for Putnam County is Michael Lammers, President of the Putnam County Board of Commissioners.



# **Monitoring and Enforcement Procedures**

### Instructions:

Describe any post-review monitoring or enforcement procedures associated with environmental mitigation actions.

Mitigation measures will be required to be included in construction contract documents and discussed at the pre-construction conference. An on-site construction inspector will be required to monitor construction activities and mitigation requirements.



# **List of Site Visits and Important Meetings**

Date	Participants	Description
3/16/2021	GLCAP, Board of Commissioners, one member of the public	First Public Hearing
3/16/2021	GLCAP, one county employee, County Engineer, two members of service organizations in the County	Community Development Implementation Strategy Meeting
6/1/2021	GLCAP, Board of Commissioners, one member of the public	Second Public Hearing
12/8/2021	GLCAP	Site visit



# Participants in the Review

Name	Title	Organization
Ben Martens	Community Grants Specialist	Great Lakes Community Action Partnership

# Attachment A: SHPO Project Area Map



# **Attachment B: SHPO Section 106 Review Certification Letter**



In reply refer to: 2021-PUT-53308

December 13, 2021

Ben Martens Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP) 127 S. Front Street, P.O. Box 590 Fremont, Ohio 43420

Email: <a href="mailto:wbmartens@glcap.org">wbmartens@glcap.org</a>

RE: Section 106 Review

Putnam County PY2021 Allocation Program

Grant Number: B-F-21-1CL-1

Project: East Sycamore Street Improvements, Village of Columbus Grove, Ohio

Dear Mr. Martens:

This letter is in response to correspondence received on December 8, 2021 regarding the proposed East Sycamore Street Improvements project, Village of Columbus Grove, Putnam County, Ohio. The comments of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) are made in accordance with the provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and the associated regulations at 36 CFR Part 800.

The proposed project will involve replacing 1,100 LF of curbing and five (5) catch basins along East Sycamore Street between Vidette Street and Elm Street. The entire planned activities will take place within the existing right-of-way of East Sycamore Street, which is defined as the direct Area of Potential Effect (APE). According to our records, no historic properties, districts, or previously recorded archaeological sites are documented within or adjacent to the APE. Given the previous disturbances associated with street and utility construction, it is my opinion that this project has little to no potential to impact intact archaeological deposits. Therefore, as proposed, the project will have **no effect on historic properties**. No further coordination is required for this project unless the scope of work changes or archaeological remains are discovered during the course of the project. In such a situation, this office should be contacted as required by 36 CFR § 800.13. If you have any questions concerning this review, please contact me via email at <a href="mailto:sbiehl@ohiohistory.org">sbiehl@ohiohistory.org</a>. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Stephen M. Biehl, Project Reviews Coordinator (archaeology)

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Resource Protection and Review State Historic Preservation Office

RPR Serial No. 1091152

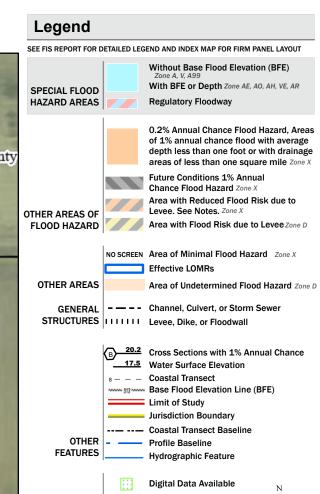
cc: Tim Allen, ODOD (Timothy.Allen@development.ohio.gov)

"Please be advised that this is a Section 106 decision. This review decision may not extend to other SHPO programs."

# **Attachment C: FEMA FIRM Map**

# National Flood Hazard Layer FIRMette





No Digital Data Available MAP PANELS Unmapped The pin displayed on the map is an approximate point selected by the user and does not represent an authoritative property location. This map complies with FEMA's standards for the use of digital flood maps if it is not void as described below. The basemap shown complies with FEMA's basemap

accuracy standards

The flood hazard information is derived directly from the authoritative NFHL web services provided by FEMA. This map was exported on 6/7/2021 at 2:47 PM and does not reflect changes or amendments subsequent to this date and time. The NFHL and effective information may change or become superseded by new data over time.

This map image is void if the one or more of the following map elements do not appear: basemap imagery, flood zone labels, legend, scale bar, map creation date, community identifiers, FIRM panel number, and FIRM effective date. Map images for unmapped and unmodernized areas cannot be used for regulatory purposes.



# **Attachment D: USDA NRCS Soil Survey Map**



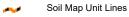
### MAP LEGEND

### Area of Interest (AOI)

Area of Interest (AOI)

### Soils

Soil Map Unit Polygons



Soil Map Unit Points

### Special Point Features

Blowout

Borrow Pit

Clay Spot

Closed Depression

Gravel Pit

Gravelly Spot

Candfill

Lava Flow

Marsh or swamp

Mine or Quarry

Miscellaneous Water

Perennial Water

Rock Outcrop

Saline Spot
Sandy Spot

Severely Eroded Spot

Sinkhole

Slide or Slip

Sodic Spot

Stony Spot

Very Stony Spot

Spoil Area

Wet Spot
Other

Special Line Features

### Water Features

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Streams and Canals

### Transportation

Rails

Interstate Highways

US Routes

Major Roads

Local Roads

### Background

Aerial Photography

### MAP INFORMATION

The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:20.000.

Warning: Soil Map may not be valid at this scale.

Enlargement of maps beyond the scale of mapping can cause misunderstanding of the detail of mapping and accuracy of soil line placement. The maps do not show the small areas of contrasting soils that could have been shown at a more detailed scale

Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey URL:

Coordinate System: Web Mercator (EPSG:3857)

Maps from the Web Soil Survey are based on the Web Mercator projection, which preserves direction and shape but distorts distance and area. A projection that preserves area, such as the Albers equal-area conic projection, should be used if more accurate calculations of distance or area are required.

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: Putnam County, Ohio Survey Area Data: Version 20, Sep 13, 2021

Soil map units are labeled (as space allows) for map scales 1:50.000 or larger.

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: Oct 14, 2019—Oct 23, 2019

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

# **Map Unit Legend**

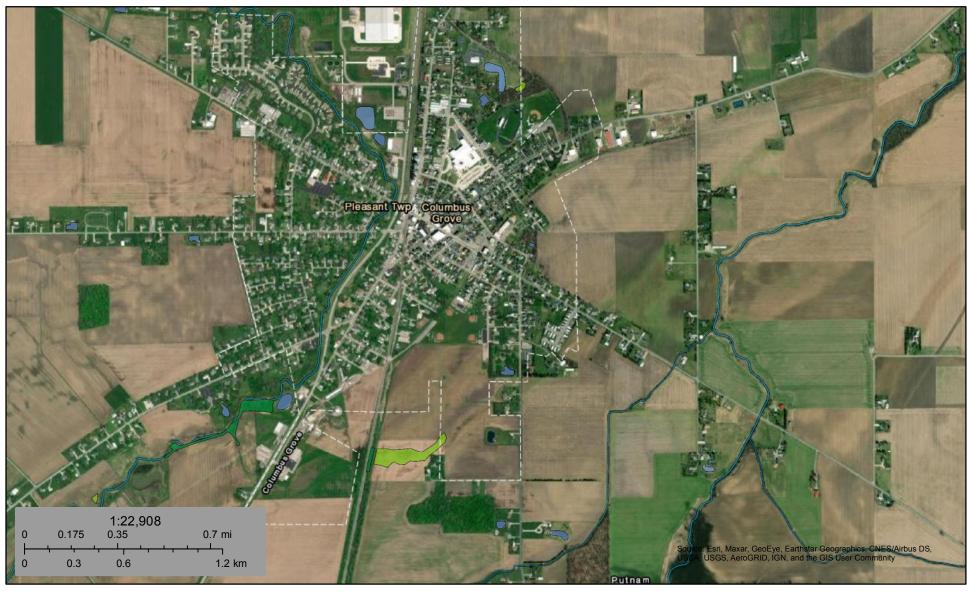
Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
BIB	Belmore sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes	0.5	40.8%
HcA	Hoytville silty clay loam, 0 to 1 percent slopes	0.3	20.1%
HnA	Haskins loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	0.3	21.7%
Mf	Millgrove loam	0.2	17.4%
Totals for Area of Interest		1.3	100.0%

# **Attachment E: National Wetlands Inventory Map**

# U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

# National Wetlands Inventory

# Columbus Grove PY21 - Wetlands Inventor



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### Wetlands

Estuarine and Marine Deepwater

Estuarine and Marine Wetland

Freshwater Emergent Wetland

Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetland

Freshwater Pond

Lake

Other

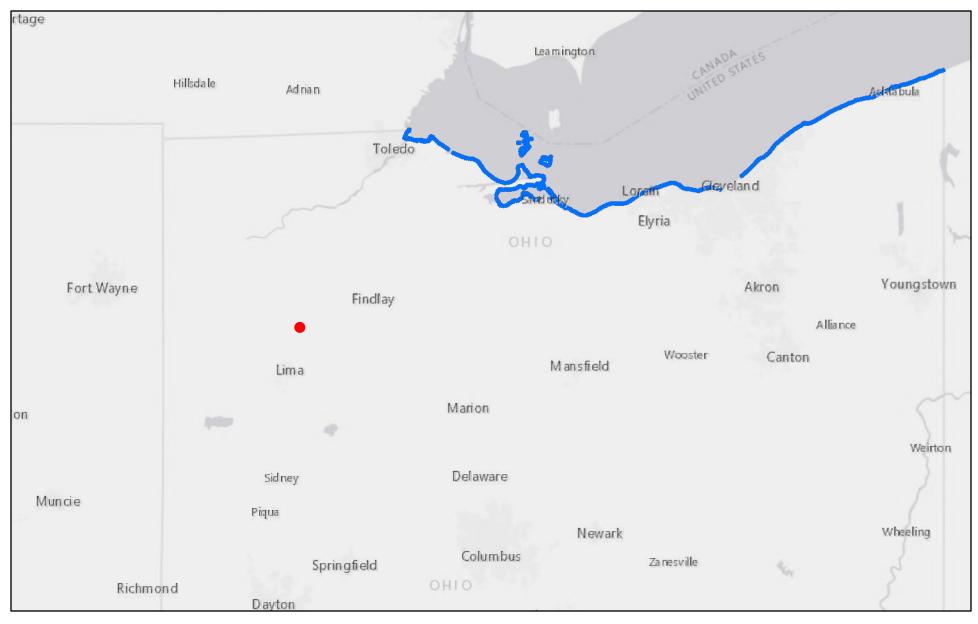
Riverine



This map is for general reference only. The US Fish and Wildlife Service is not responsible for the accuracy or currentness of the base data shown on this map. All wetlands related data should be used in accordance with the layer metadata found on the Wetlands Mapper web site.

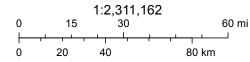
# **Attachment F: ODNR Coastal Erosion Map**

# Ohio Coastal Erosion Area



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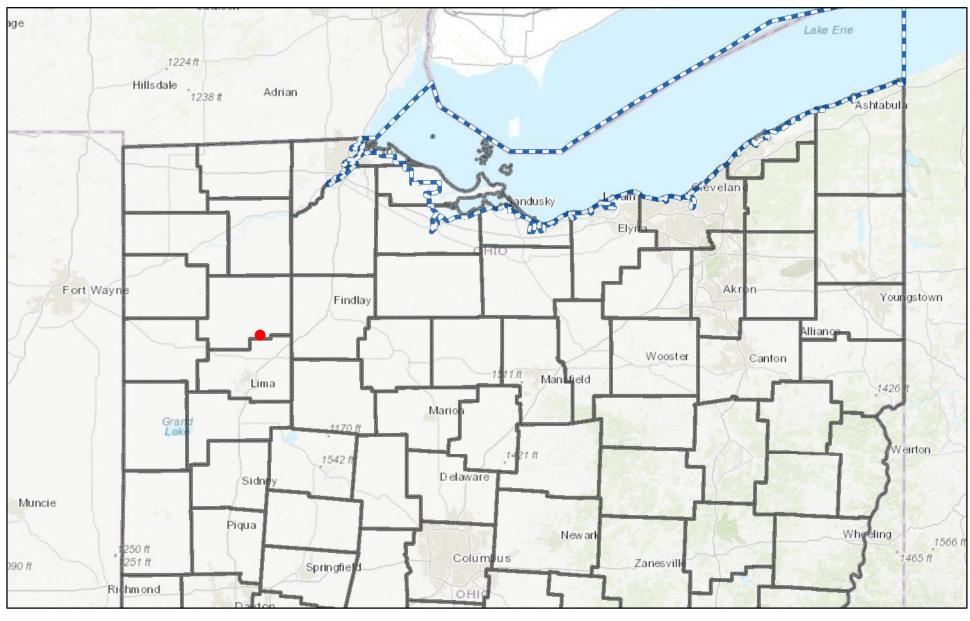
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Esri, HERE, Garmin, (c) OpenStreetMap contributors, and the GIS user community

# **Attachment G: ODNR Coastal Management Map**

# Ohio Coastal Atlas Map Viewer



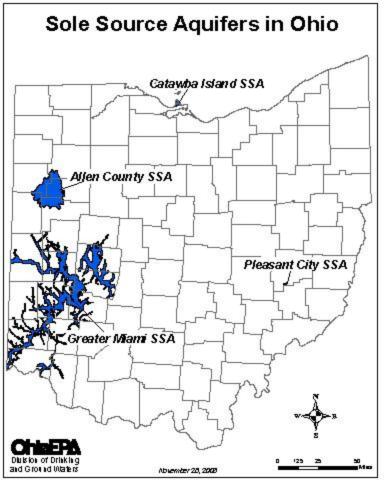
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Coastal Management Area Boundary



Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri

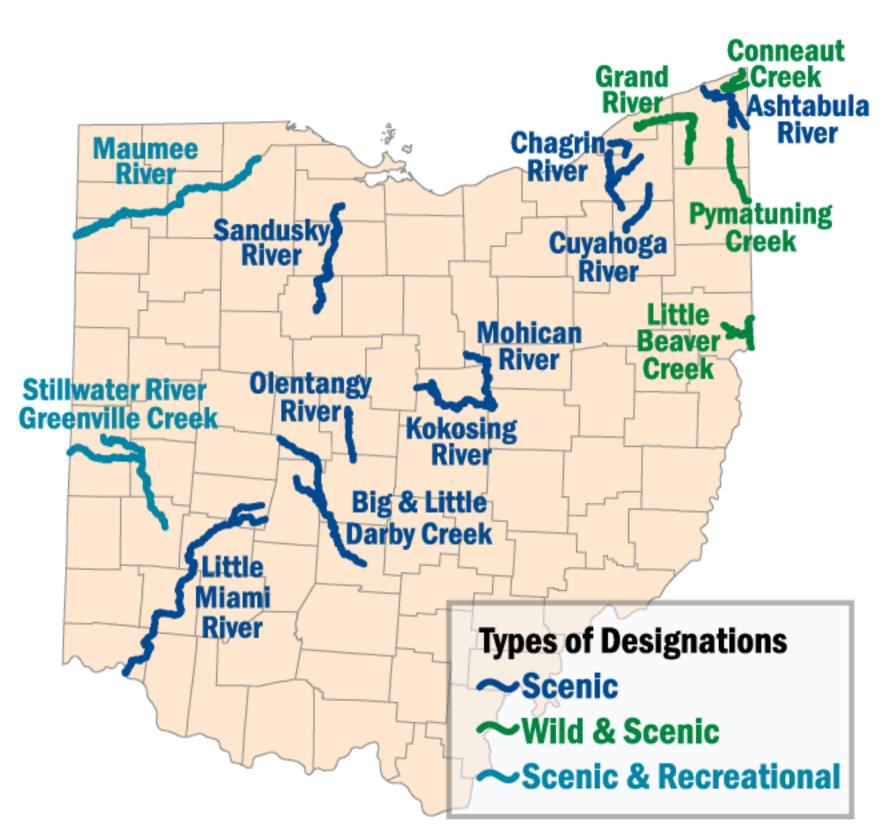
# Attachment H: Ohio EPA Sole Source Aquifers Map



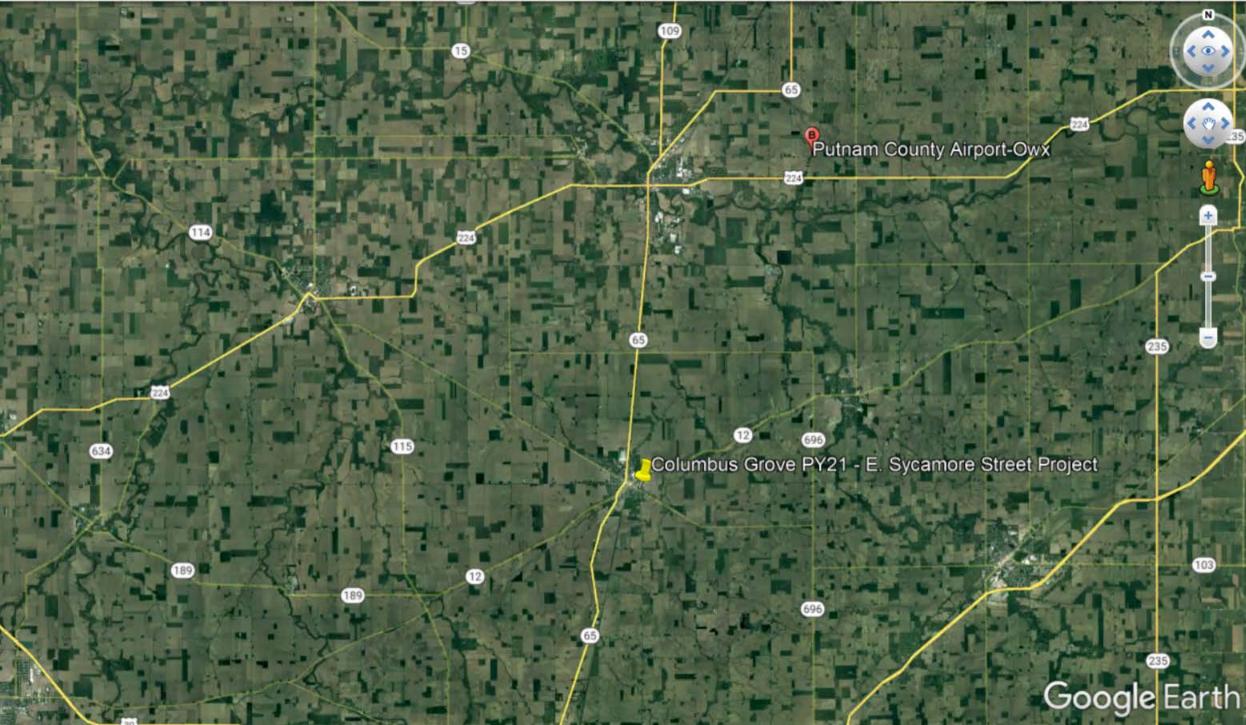
# Attachment I: USFWS Endangered Species List

Putnam	Indiana bat (Myotis sodalis)	Endangered	Hibernacula = Caves and mines; Maternity and foraging habitat = small stream corridors with well developed riparian woods; upland forests
	Northern long-eared bat Myotis septentrionalis	Threatened	Hibernates in caves and mines - swarming in surrounding wooded areas in autumn. During late spring and summer roosts and forages in upland forests.

# **Attachment J: ODNR Scenic Rivers Map**



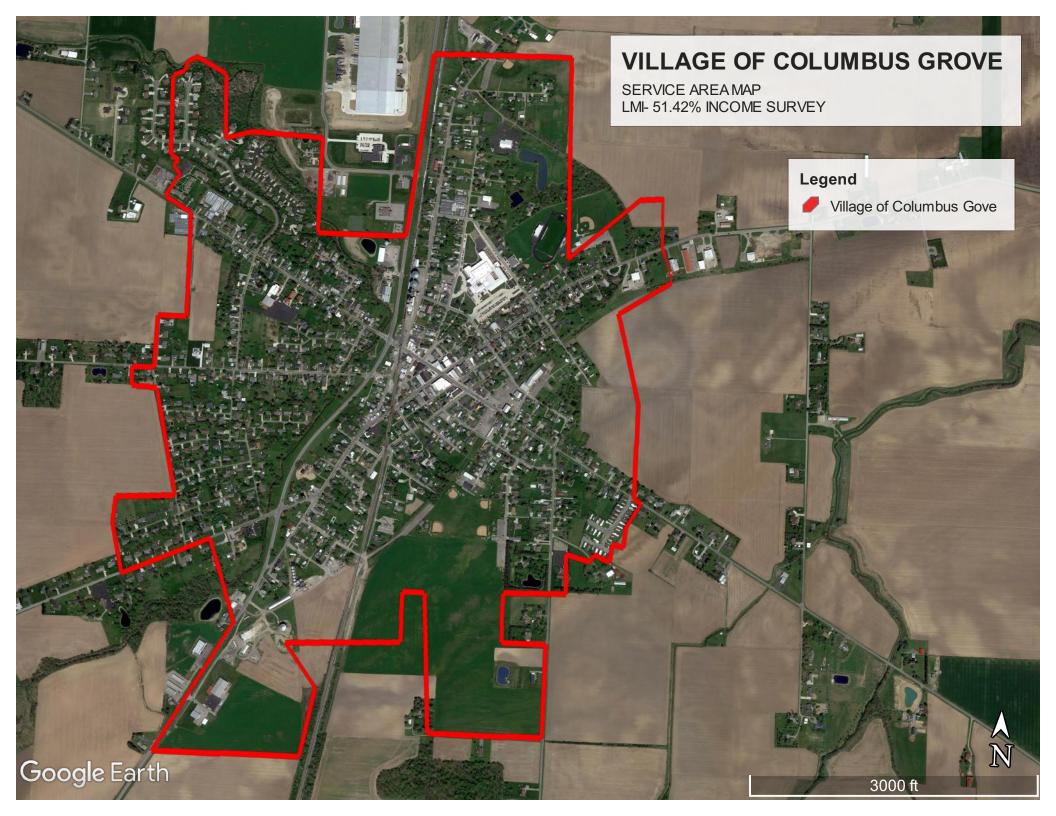
## **Attachment K: Airport Proximity Map**



## **Location Map**



## Service Area Map



## **Cost Estimate**





#### Engineer's Opinion of Probable Costs

Client

Village of Columbus Grove, Ohio E. Sycamore St. Improvements

Project PDG No.

141000-00074

Resurfacing (High St. to East Corp. Line) (700'x38', 250'x30', 420'x24' and 1,430'x22')

Curb Replacement (Vidette St. to Elm St.)

New Curb and Sidewalk (Elm St. to East Corp. Line)

	New Cold and Sidewark (Citil St. to East Colp. Line)					
ltem				Total	Unit	Total
No.	Item		Units	Quantity	Price	Price
				•		
1	Remove / Replace 6" Curb		1100	l.f.	\$35.00	\$38,500.00
2	Curb Inlet Removal and Replacement		5	each	\$2,200.00	\$11,000.00
3	Concrete Pavement Repair - Drives		25	s.y.	\$70.00	\$1,750.00
4	Asphalt Pavement Repair - Drives		25	s.y.	\$70,00	\$1,750.00
5	Curb Repair		4	each	\$750.00	\$3,000.00
6	Seeding and Mulching		1	lump sum	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
7	Construction Video		1	lump sum	\$500.00	\$500.00
8	Pavement marking and signage		1	lump sum	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
9	Traffic Maintenance		1	lump sum	\$2,500.00	<u>\$2,500.00</u>
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				SUB-TOTAL		\$67,650.00
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	Design Services:					
		Topo Survey	,	\$1,200.00		
		Design		\$2,500.00		
		Bidding		\$2,000.00		
		Construction Administration		\$2,000.00		
		Construction Administration		\$7,700.00		
				Ψ1,100.00		

#### **TOTAL CONSTRUCTION COSTS**

\$75,350.00

This estimate was prepared utilizing Federal Davis Bacon Wage Rates. I hereby state that this is an accurate estimate of probable cost and the weighted useful life of the project is at least 15 years.

Prepared By: POGGEMEYER DESIGN GROUP, INC.

101 Clinton St., Ste. 1300 Defiance, OH 43512

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03/31/21

Kenneth A. Maag, P.E. Principal Owner

Date

## **Photos**

## **VILLAGE OF COLUMBUS GROVE**













## **Historic Properties & Section 106 Review**



December 8, 2021

Diana Welling
Department Head, Resource Protection and Review
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
800 E. 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43211

RE: Section 106 Review

Village of Columbus Grove, Putnam County, CDBG PY21

Grant # B-F-21-1CL-1

Ms. Welling,

Please be advised that Putnam County has a project ready in connection with the grant listed above.

1. Street Improvements, Village of Columbus Grove

CDBG funds will be used for removing and replacing 1,100 LF of deteriorated curb and five catch basins on East Sycamore Street between Vidette Street and Elm Street. The National Objective is Area Wide Benefit and will benefit 1,941 individuals, 998 of which are LMI, determined from an income survey that determined the Village is 51.42% LMI..

I am enclosing the Section 106 Review - Project Summary Form for your office's review, along with the required documentation.

Please return the results from your review to me at Great Lakes Community Action Partnership, 127 S. Front Street, P.O. Box 590, Fremont, Ohio 43420. Should you have any questions or comments, or require additional documentation, please feel free to contact me at (440) 552-3680, or via email at wbmartens@glcap.org.

Thank you for your anticipated cooperation in this matter.

Best Regards,

Ben Martens Community Grants Specialist



### OHIO HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE: RESOURCE PROTECTION AND REVIEW

#### Section 106 Review - Project Summary Form

For projects requiring a license from the Federal Communications Commission, please use FCC Forms 620 or 621. <u>DO NOT USE THIS FORM.</u>

#### **SECTION 1: GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION**

All contact information provided must include the name, address and phone number of the person listed. Email addresses should also be included, if available. Please refer to the Instructions or contact an OHPO reviewer (mailto:Section106@ohiohistory.org) if you need help completing this Form. Unless otherwise requested, we will contact the person submitting this Form with questions or comments about this project.

Date: 12/8/2021

Name/Affiliation of person submitting form: Ben Martens, GLCAP

Mailing Address: 127 S. Front St., P.O. Box 590, Fremont, Ohio 4342-0

Phone/Email: 440-552-3680 – wbmartens@glcap.org

#### A. Project Info:

1. This Form provides information about:

New Project Submittal:

YES NO

Additional information relating to previously submitted project:

YES NO

OHPO/RPR Serial Number from previous submission:

- 2. Project Name (if applicable): East Sycamore Street Improvements, Village of Columbus Grove
- 3. Internal tracking or reference number used by Federal Agency, consultant, and/or applicant to identify this project (if applicable):

- B. Project Address or vicinity: East Sycamore Street, Columbus Grove, Ohio 45830
- C. City/Township: Columbus Grove, Ohio
- D. County: **Putnam**
- **E.** Federal Agency and Agency Contact. *If you do not know the federal agency involved in your project, please contact the party asking you to apply for Section 106 Review, not OHPO, for this information. HUD Entitlement Communities acting under delegated environmental review authority should list their own contact information.*
- F. Type of Federal Assistance. List all known federal sources of federal funding, approvals, and permits to avoid repeated reviews.
- G. State Agency and Contact Person (if applicable): **Ohio Department of Development Office of Community Development, Tiffany Laffitte**
- H. Type of State Assistance: **Community Development Block Grant Allocation Program, grant # B-F-21-1CL-1**
- I. Is this project being submitted at the direction of a state agency **solely** under Ohio Revised Code 149.53 or at the direction of a State Agency? *Answering yes to this question means that you are sure that no federal funding, permits or approvals will be used for any part of your project, and that you are seeking comments only under ORC 149.53.*

#### YES NO

- J. Public Involvement- Describe how the public has been/will be informed about this project and its potential to affect historic properties. Please summarize how they will have an opportunity to provide comments about any effects to historic properties. (This step is required for all projects under 36 CFR § 800.2): The public has been informed of the project through advertisements in the newspaper of record, two public hearings, and a community development implementation strategy meeting. The public will continue to be advised of the project development during county commissioner meetings, scheduled public meetings, and during public comment period related to environmental assessments.
- K. Please list other consulting parties that you have contacted/will contact about this project, such as Indian Tribes, Certified Local Governments, local officials, property owners, or preservation groups. (See 36 CFR § 800.2 for more information about involving other consulting parties). Please summarize how they will have an opportunity to provide comments: The Putnam County Board of Commissioners office and Engineer's office have been contacted/consulted on the project. Further opportunity for comment will be available through the comment period related to the environmental assessment, bid process, and pre-construction meeting.

#### SECTION 2: PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND AREA OF POTENTIAL EFFECTS (APE)

Provide a description of your project, its site, and geographical information. You will also describe your project's Area of Potential Effects (APE). Please refer to the Instructions or contact an OHPO reviewer if you need help with developing the APE or completing this form.

For challenging projects, provide as much information as possible in all sections, and then check the box in Section 5.A. to ask OHPO to offer preliminary comments or make recommendations about how to proceed with your project consultation. This is recommended if your project involves effects to significant historic properties or if there may be challenging procedural issues related to your project. Please note that providing information to complete all Sections will still be required and that asking OHPO for preliminary comments may tend to delay completion of the review process for some projects.

- A. Does this project involve any Ground-Disturbing activity: **YES** NO (If **Yes**, you must complete all of Section 2.A. If **No**, proceed directly to Section 2. B.)
- 1. General description of width, length and depth of proposed ground disturbing activity: The project will consist of replacing 1,100 LF of deteriorated curb and five catch basins on East Sycamore Street between Vidette Street and Elm Street.
- 2. Narrative description of previous land use and past ground disturbances, if known: Prior ground disturbance is that of a typical village with construction of homes, businesses, roadways, and public utilities. The proposed project will consist of replacing existing infrastructure.
- 3. Narrative description of current land use and conditions: The current land use is that of a residential neighborhood.
- 4. Does the landowner know of any archaeological resources found on the property? YES **NO** If yes, please describe:
- B. Submit the exact project site location on a USGS 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle map for all projects. Map sections, photocopies of map sections, and online versions of USGS maps are acceptable as long as the location is clearly marked. Show the project's Area of Potential Effects (APE). It should be clearly distinguished from other features shown on the map:
- 1. USGS Quad Map Name: Columbus Grove Quadrangle
- 2. Township/City/Village Name: Village of Columbus Grove, Ohio
- C. Provide a street-level map indicating the location of the project site; road names must be identified and legible. Your map must show the exact location of the boundaries for the project site. Show the project's Area of Potential Effects (APE). It should be clearly distinguished from other features shown on the map: **See attached site map.**
- D. Provide a verbal description of the APE, including a discussion of how the APE will include areas with the potential for direct and indirect effects from the project. Explain the steps taken to identify the project's APE, and your justification for the specific boundaries chosen: The APE will be East Sycamore Street between Vidette Street and Elm Street. Street improvements will occur only along East Sycamore Street. The APE contains no historic properties or archaeological sites according to Ohio History Connection mapping. Due to the project elements being replacement of existing infrastructure, it is not anticipated that adverse effects will occur to historic properties due to the severe prior disturbance.

E. Provide a detailed description of the project. This is a critical part of your submission. Your description should be prepared for a cold reader who may not be an expert in this type of project. The information provided must help support your analysis of effects to historic properties, not other types of project impacts. Do not simply include copies of environmental documents or other types of specialized project reports. If there are multiple project alternatives, you should include information about all alternatives that are still under active consideration: The proposed project will consist of the following: replacing 1,100 LF of deteriorated curb and five catch basins on East Sycamore Street between Vidette Street and Elm Street.

#### **SECTION 3: IDENTIFICATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES**

Describe whether there are historic properties located within your project APE. To make that determination, use information generated from your own Background Research and Field Survey. Then choose one of the following options to report your findings. Please refer to the Instructions and/or contact an OHPO reviewer if you are unsure about how to identify historic properties for your project.

If you read the Instructions and you're still confused as to which reporting option best fits your project, or you are not sure if your project needs a survey, you may choose to skip this section, but provide as much supporting documentation as possible in all other Sections, then check the box in Section 5.A. to request preliminary comments from OHPO. After reviewing the information provided, OHPO will then offer comments as to which reporting option is best suited to document historic properties for your project. Please note that providing information to complete this Section will still be required and that asking OHPO for preliminary comments may tend to delay completion of the review process for some projects.

#### Recording the Results of Background Research and Field Survey:

- A. **Summary of discussions and/or consultation with OHPO** about this project that demonstrates how the Agency Official and OHPO have agreed that no Field Survey was necessary for this project (typically due to extreme ground disturbance or other special circumstances). Please **attach copies** of emails/correspondence that document this agreement. You must explain how the project's potential to affect both archaeological and historic resources were considered.
- B. A table that includes the minimum information listed in the OHPO Section 106 Documentation Table (which is generally equivalent to the information found on an inventory form). This information must be printed and mailed with the Project Summary Form. To provide sufficient information to complete this Section, you must also include summary observations from your field survey, background research and eligibility determinations for each property that was evaluated in the project APE. A review of the OHPO on-line records was completed and notes several historic structures within a one-mile radius of the project site, but no such structures located within the project's APE.
- C. OHI (Ohio Historic Inventory) or OAI (Ohio Archaeological Inventory) forms- New or updated inventory forms may be prepared using the OHI pdf form with data population capabilities, the Internet IForm, or typed on archival quality inventory forms. To provide sufficient information to complete this Section, you must include summary observations from your field survey and background research. You must also include eligibility determinations for each property that was evaluated in the project APE
- D. A historic or archaeological survey report prepared by a qualified consultant that meets

professional standards. The survey report should meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Identification and OHPO Archaeological Guidelines. You may also include new inventory forms with your survey or update previous inventory forms. To complete this section, your survey report must include summary observations from your field survey, background research and eligibility determinations for each property that was evaluated within the APE.

E. **Project Findings**. Based on the conclusions you reached in completing Section 3, please choose one finding for your project. There are (mark one):

X No Historic Properties Present in the APE: There are no historic properties present in the immediate APE.

#### **SECTION 4: SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

This information must be provided for all projects.

- 1. Photographs must be keyed to a street-level map and should be included as attachments to this application. Please label all forms, tables, and CDs with the date of your submission and project name, as identified in Section 1. You must present enough documentation to clearly show existing conditions at your project site and convey details about the buildings, structures or sites that are described in your submission. Faxed or photocopied photographs are not acceptable. See Instructions for more info about photo submissions or 36 CFR § 800.11 for federal documentation standards.
- a. Provide photos of the entire project site and take photos to/from historic properties from/towards your project site to support your determination of effect in Section 5. **See attached.**
- b. Provide current photos of all buildings/structures/sites described. **See attached.**
- 2. Project plan, specifications, site drawings and any other media presentation that conveys detailed information about your project and its potential to affect historic properties. **See attached.**
- 3. Copies or summaries of any comments provided by consulting parties or the public. **N/A**

#### **SECTION 5: DETERMINATION OF EFFECT**

- A. Request Preliminary Comments. For challenging projects, provide as much information as possible in previous sections and ask OHPO to offer preliminary comments or make recommendations about how to proceed with your project consultation. This is recommended if your project involves effects to significant historic properties, if the public has concerns about your project's potential to affect historic properties, or if there may be challenging procedural issues related to your project. Please be aware that providing information in all Sections will still be required and that asking OHPO for preliminary comments may tend to delay completion of the review process for some projects.
  - 1. We request preliminary comments from OHPO about this project: YES **NO**
  - 2. Please specify as clearly as possible the issues that you would like OHPO to examine for your project (for example- help with developing an APE, addressing the concerns of consulting parties, survey methodology, etc.):
- B. **Determination of Effect.** If you believe that you have gathered enough information to conclude the Section 106 process, you may be ready to make a determination of effect and ask OHPO for concurrence, while considering public comments. Please select and mark one of the following determinations, then explain the basis for your decision on an attached sheet of paper:

No historic properties will be affected based on 36 CFR § 800.4(d) (1). Please explain how you made this determination: A determination has been made that no historic properties will be affected by the proposed project due to the nature of the project involving improvements to an existing public street. The project area would have received severe disturbance from the installation of the existing infrastructure. Construction activities will only occur on East Sycamore Street. A search of OHPO on-line records does not indicate the presence of historic properties in the immediate project area and a site visit confirms the project area contains no structures of an historic significance.

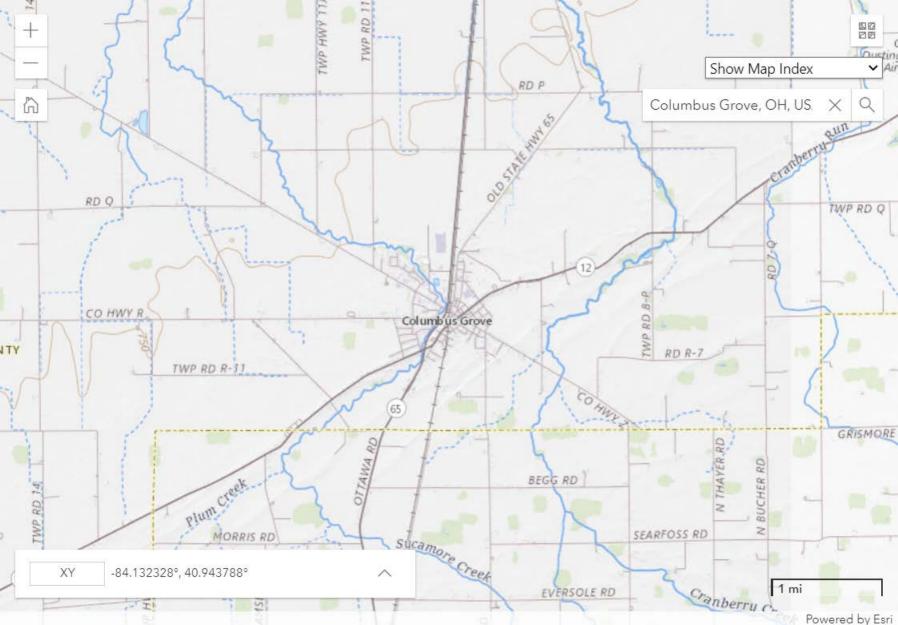
No Adverse Effect [36 CFR § 800.5(b)] on historic properties. This finding cannot be used if there are no historic properties present in your project APE. Please explain why the Criteria of Adverse Effect, [36 CFR Part 800.5(a) (1)], were found not to be applicable for your project: The Criteria of Adverse Effect was not found to be applicable to the project, as the street improvements will not undermine any of the characteristics of a historic property that qualify the property for inclusion in the National Register in a manner that would diminish the integrity of the property's location, design, setting, materials, workmanship, feeling, or association.

Adverse Effect [36 CFR § 800.5(d) (2)] on historic properties. Please explain why the criteria of adverse effect, [36 CFR Part 800.5(a) (1)], were found to be applicable to your project. You may also include an explanation of how these adverse effects might be avoided, reduced or mitigated:

Please print and mail completed form and supporting documentation to:
Ohio Historic Preservation Office
Attn: Resource Protection and Review Department Head
Resource Protection and Review
800 E. 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Columbus, OH 43211-2497







## **VILLAGE OF COLUMBUS GROVE**















In reply refer to: 2021-PUT-53308

December 13, 2021

Ben Martens Great Lakes Community Action Partnership (GLCAP) 127 S. Front Street, P.O. Box 590 Fremont, Ohio 43420

Email: <a href="mailto:wbmartens@glcap.org">wbmartens@glcap.org</a>

RE: Section 106 Review

Putnam County PY2021 Allocation Program

Grant Number: B-F-21-1CL-1

Project: East Sycamore Street Improvements, Village of Columbus Grove, Ohio

Dear Mr. Martens:

This letter is in response to correspondence received on December 8, 2021 regarding the proposed East Sycamore Street Improvements project, Village of Columbus Grove, Putnam County, Ohio. The comments of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) are made in accordance with the provisions of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, and the associated regulations at 36 CFR Part 800.

The proposed project will involve replacing 1,100 LF of curbing and five (5) catch basins along East Sycamore Street between Vidette Street and Elm Street. The entire planned activities will take place within the existing right-of-way of East Sycamore Street, which is defined as the direct Area of Potential Effect (APE). According to our records, no historic properties, districts, or previously recorded archaeological sites are documented within or adjacent to the APE. Given the previous disturbances associated with street and utility construction, it is my opinion that this project has little to no potential to impact intact archaeological deposits. Therefore, as proposed, the project will have **no effect on historic properties**. No further coordination is required for this project unless the scope of work changes or archaeological remains are discovered during the course of the project. In such a situation, this office should be contacted as required by 36 CFR § 800.13. If you have any questions concerning this review, please contact me via email at <a href="mailto:sbiehl@ohiohistory.org">sbiehl@ohiohistory.org</a>. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Stephen M. Biehl, Project Reviews Coordinator (archaeology)

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Resource Protection and Review State Historic Preservation Office

RPR Serial No. 1091152

cc: Tim Allen, ODOD (Timothy.Allen@development.ohio.gov)

"Please be advised that this is a Section 106 decision. This review decision may not extend to other SHPO programs."

# COMBINED NOTICE FONSI/NOI RROF

## NOTICE TO PUBLIC OF A FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE ENVIRONMENT (FONSI) COMBINED NOTICE

December 22, 2021

Putnam County Board of Commissioners 245 E. Main Street, Suite 101 Ottawa, OH 45875 419-523-3656

To All Interested Persons, Agencies, and Groups:

The City of Fremont proposes to request that the State of Ohio release Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the following project(s):

Public Rehabilitation Source of Federal Funds: CDBG

Community Center Improvements, located in Gilboa, Ohio

<u>Two-Year Project</u>

<u>Putnam County, Ohio</u>

\$40,000

Street Improvements
Source of Federal Funds:
CDBG

East Sycamore Street Improvements, located in Columbus Grove, Ohio

Two-Year Project

Putnam County, Ohio

\$30,000

<u>Water Facilities Improvements</u> <u>Source of Federal Funds:</u>

**CDBG** 

1st Street Water Line Improvements, located in Continental, Ohio

Two-Year Project

Putnam County, Ohio

\$50,000

Putnam County has determined that the project(s) will have no significant impact on the environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended is not required.

Putnam County has prepared an Environmental Review Record (ERR) for each of the projects listed above. The ERR(s) documents the environmental review of the project(s). The ERR(s) is (are) on file and available for the public's examination and copying, upon request, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays) at the above address.

No further environmental review of the project will be conducted prior to the request for release of Federal funds.

Putnam County plans to undertake the project(s) described above with the Federal funds cited above. Any interested person, agency, or group wishing to comment on the project or disagreeing with this Finding of No Significant Impact decision may submit written comments for consideration to the Putnam County Board of Commissioners at the above listed address by 5:00 p. m. on <u>January 14, 2022</u>, which is at least 15 days after the publication of this combined notice. A notice regarding the responsible entity's intent to request the release of funds is listed immediately below.

#### NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS (NOI/RROF)

To All Interested Persons, Agencies, and Groups:

On or about, but not before, <u>January 18, 2022</u>, the Putnam County Board of Commissioners will submit a request to the State of Ohio for the release of Federal funds under Section 104 (g) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended; Section 288 of Title II of the Cranston Gonzales National Affordable Housing Act (NAHA), as amended; and/or Title IV of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, as amended; to be used for the project(s) listed above.

Putnam County certifies to the State of Ohio that Michael Lammers, in his capacity as President of the Board of Commissioners, consents to accept the jurisdiction of Federal courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied.

The legal effect of the certification is that upon its approval, Putnam County may use the Federal funds, and the State of Ohio will have satisfied its responsibilities under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, as amended.

The State of Ohio will accept an objection to its approval of the release of funds and acceptance of the certification only if it is on one of the following grounds: (a) the certification was not, in fact, executed by the responsible entity's Certifying Officer; (b) the responsible entity has failed to make one of the two findings pursuant to Section 58.40 or to make the written determination required by section 58.35, 58.47, or 58.53 for the project, as applicable; c) the responsible entity has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subpart E of 24 CFR Part 58 for the preparation, publication, and completion of an Environmental Assessment; d) the responsible entity has omitted one or more of the steps set forth at subparts F and G of 24 CFR Part 58 for the conduct, preparation, publication, and completion of an Environmental Impact Statement; e) the recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before release of funds and approval of the environmental certification by the State; or f) another federal agency, acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504, has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality.

Written objections must meet the conditions and procedures set forth in subpart H of 24 CFR Part 58 and be addressed to: State of Ohio Development Services Agency; Office of Community Development; Environmental Officer; P. O. Box 1001; Columbus, Ohio 43216-1001.

Objections to the Release of Funds on bases other than those stated above will not be considered by the State of Ohio. No objections received after <u>February 8, 2022</u> (which is 15 days after it is anticipated that the State will receive a request for release of funds) will be considered by the State of Ohio.

The address of the certifying officer is:

Michael Lammers, President Putnam County Board of Commissioners 245 East Main Street, Suite 101 Ottawa, Ohio 45875