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Ohio EPA Accepting Comments on Plain City Wastewater Treatment Plant Proposal

Information Session and Public Hearing Scheduled July 11

Ohio EPA will hold a public hearing to discuss the draft wastewater discharge permit that, if approved, would authorize the expansion of the Plain City wastewater treatment plant in Madison County.

An information session will begin at 6 p.m., Monday, July 11, at Tolles Career and Technical Center, 7877 U.S. 42 South, immediately followed by a hearing to accept public comments on the proposed wastewater discharge permit. Participants who want handouts for the meeting should email Paula.Payne@epa.ohio.gov so electronic copies may be emailed on the day of the public meeting.

If approved, Plain City would be authorized to increase the average flow of the wastewater treatment plant from 0.75 million gallons per day to 1.5 million gallons per day. This expansion would result in degradation to, or lowering of, the water quality in Big Darby Creek. However, discharges cannot violate Ohio's water quality standards that protect human health and the environment. Ohio EPA will consider technical, economic, social, and environmental aspects of the project before deciding whether to issue or deny the permit.

Anyone may submit comments or request to be on the mailing list for information. To comment or receive information on the permit, write to: Ohio EPA-DSW, Attn: Permits Processing Unit, P.O. Box 1049, Columbus, OH 43216-1049 or email epa.dswcomments@epa.ohio.gov. (Include the permit number (4PB00016*JD) and public notice number (OEPA 22-05-024 DFT) with each comment or physical page of correspondence.) All comments received at the hearing or through mail or email by close of business July 18, will be considered by Ohio EPA prior to final action on this proposal.

Copies of the draft permit and the associated [fact sheet](#) and documentation can be obtained on Ohio EPA's website: <https://epa.ohio.gov/static/Portals/35/permits/4PB00016.pdf> or by calling 614-644-2001. To request a reasonable accommodation due to a disability, visit: epa.ohio.gov/ada.