

Welcome to the Middle Cuyahoga River Watershed Action Plan

This is a state-endorsed Watershed Action Plan. It provides a framework for projects that protect and improve the water quality, water resources, and watershed of the Middle Cuyahoga River. It lists the action items and goals that the partners wish to pursue. Listed actions are more eligible for certain funding like Section 319 grants.

About The Plan

The watershed plan documents are .pdf files with extensive bookmarks to simplify navigation. The Plan is on the NEFCO website, <http://www.nefcoplanning.org>.

The plan consists of the following sections in three volumes:

- Inventory and assessment of watershed conditions Vol. I
- Problem areas and opportunities - Whole watershed Vol. I Parts 5, 6; by subwatershed – Part 7, Vol. II
- Goals and objectives/action items to improve and protect water quality and the watershed – Detailed tables Vol. II
- Photographic inventory by subwatershed – Vol. III, Section 4P

Most projects that partners wish to pursue will be found in the Action Items.

The plan will be amended periodically to reflect new needs, new action items, changing conditions, and changes to target amounts.

Using the plan for grant applications

- Locate the subwatershed that your community or project is in – See What Watershed Am I In?
- If necessary, check the watershed or subwatershed map
- Check the Action Items for the subwatershed.
- Is your project type and target amount on the list? If yes, you're good to go, work with the watershed coordinator and partners to help identify resources, opportunities for collaboration, match funding, etc.
- If not, the watershed coordinator can submit an amendment to the plan if...
 - The specific type of project is not listed, but it meets the goals. The funding agencies may fund it anyway, but why risk rejection?
 - The target amount is much too small.
 - A new need has been identified that is not in the plan at all.

If the plan needs to be amended, let the watershed coordinator know well before you seek funding for the best chance of getting the funding.

Please let the watershed coordinator know which projects you are working on, to coordinate resources and make sure the target amounts are increased as necessary.