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**OHIO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
PORTAGE RIVER WATERSHED  
TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD REPORT**

Public notice is hereby given that the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) Division of Surface Water (DSW) is providing for public review and comment the Portage River Watershed Total Maximum Daily Load Report (TMDL) Document. Ohio EPA developed the Document in fulfillment of Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act, which requires the identification of impaired water bodies for which technology based effluent limitations are not stringent enough to achieve applicable water quality standards and to develop Total Maximum Daily Loads for such waters. The Document addresses impairments in the Portage River watershed that appear on the Ohio 2010 303(d) list (assessment units 0410001001 01 through 04, 0410001002 01 through 05, 0410001003 01 and 02, 0410001004 01 and 02 and 0410001005 01 and 02). The impaired waters are located in the Counties of Wood, Ottawa, Hancock, Sandusky, and Seneca.

All interested persons wishing to submit comments for Ohio EPA's consideration may do so in writing to Ohio EPA, Northwest District Office, 347 North Dunbridge Road, Bowling Green, Ohio 43402, Attn: Katie McKibben, or by email to [katie.mckibben@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:katie.mckibben@epa.state.oh.us) by the close of business, August 15, 2011. Comments received after this date may be considered as time and circumstances permit. After consideration of comments, Ohio EPA will submit the Document to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) for approval.

To obtain a copy of the Document or other information, or to arrange to inspect Agency files or records pertaining to the Document, or to request notice of when Ohio EPA submits the Document to U.S. EPA, please contact Katie McKibben at the address above or by calling 1-419-352-3013. The Document will be posted (on or before July 15, 2011) to the Ohio EPA Division of Surface Water Web site <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/dsw/Home.aspx>.