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Dear Mr. Gulezian:

The Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and the Partners for Clean Streams are hereby submitting this request for a realignment and minor expansion to the Maumee Area of Concern (AOC). As discussed in the enclosed "Maumee Area of Concern Boundary Expansion Request" document, this request for realignment is being made primarily due to Ohio EPA's change from using HUC 11/14 to HUC 10/12 to delineate areas for its sampling, TMDLs, and watershed management programs. With this change, the current Maumee AOC boundary no longer lines up with the watershed boundaries.

Along with the realignment, it is also being requested that the western border of the Maumee AOC be expanded to align with the headwaters of the Swan Creek and Ottawa River watersheds, rather than by the political county boundaries as originally defined. The proposed western border change will make mapping and data management of the system easier and more comprehensive.

If you have any questions concerning this request, please direct them to the Ohio EPA Maumee RAP Coordinator, Cherie Blair. She can be reached at (419) 373-3010 or [Cherie.Blair@epa.state.oh.us](mailto:Cherie.Blair@epa.state.oh.us).

Sincerely,

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