208 Process Review Committee Recommendation

April 3, 2025



MID-OHIO REGIONAL MORPC PLANNING COMMISSION

Background

- MORPC has been providing services to Ohio EPA in support of 208 planning and mapping in Central Ohio for the past several years.
- Ohio EPA requested that MORPC further their role and consider becoming a designated Areawide Planning Agency for the region.
- An Ad hoc committee was created in June 2024 to evaluate this request and the requirements for designation.

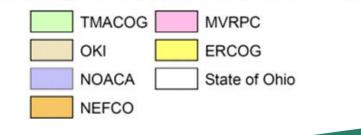


ROLE OF A DESIGNATED AREAWIDE PLANNING AGENCY

- Update and maintain the region's water quality management plans.
- Work with local governments to determine sewer service providers and define Facility Planning Areas (FPAs) for wastewater treatment.
- Facilitate boundary modifications and dispute resolution related to FPAs.
- Assist with reviews of permit-to-install applications received by Ohio EPA for the designated service area.



Government Agencies Responsible for 208 Plans



BENEFITS OF A CENTRAL OHIO AREAWIDE

Drive investment and support economic growth

Expedited permit review with reduced impact on Ohio EPA

Created for the region, by the region

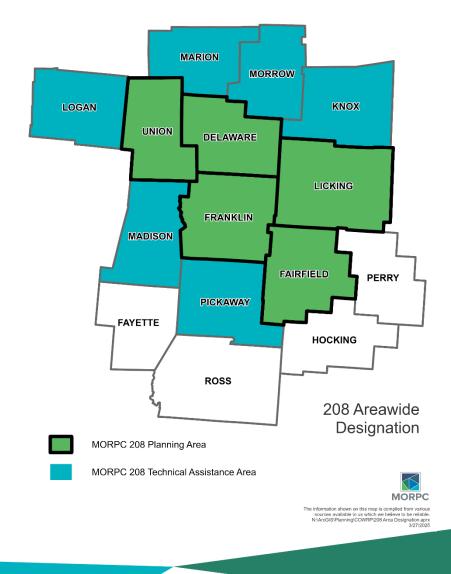


208 PROCESS REVIEW COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

The Committee recommends that MORPC pursue the state's 208 Areawide Planning Agency designation, contingent upon the following:

- MORPC secures sufficient funding for staff capacity to support an areawide planning agency;
- The Areawide Planning Agency is governed by policies and procedures developed by MORPC and the 208 Process Review Committee; and
- The Areawide Agency's governing body includes the 208 Process Review Committee's recommended representation.









Commission approval

Secure funding

Work with Ohio EPA on public engagement and policy approval

Seek approval from the Governor and U.S. EPA

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