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**CENTRAL OHIO BLUEWAYS ADVISORY PANEL**  
**MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**  
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***HYBRID MEETING***

**September 13, 2023, 10:30 am to 12:00 pm**

**AGENDA**

- 1. Welcome & Purpose**
- 2. Partnership Agreement Draft Updates**
- 3. Summit on Sustainability Panel Questions**
- 4. Central Ohio Blueways Steering Committee**
  - a. By-Laws / Charter
- 5. Access Point Design Guideline Project**
  - a. OSU EEDS (Environmental, Economic Development, and Sustainability) Capstone Class
- 6. Wrap-Up & Next Steps**
- 7. Adjourn**

Please Notify Lynn Kaufman at [lkaufman@morpc.org](mailto:lkaufman@morpc.org) if you will not be able to attend this meeting, or if you require special assistance.

The next Central Ohio Blueways Advisory Panel Meeting will be Wednesday, October 11, 2023 at 10:30 AM, and will be held as Hybrid.

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# CENTRAL OHIO BLUEWAYS

ADVISORY PANEL

SEPTEMBER 13, 2023



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# PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS: UPDATED DRAFTS

- Verbiage cleanup
- Added signature lines for Pickaway and Franklin Counties
- Other Comments?

*\*Will send updated drafts for final review following this meeting.*



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# SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABILITY PANEL QUESTIONS

## PANELISTS

Heather Doherty, Tina Mohn, Lisa Daris\*, Callia Tellez\*

## TOPIC AREAS

- *Aspects of Blueways Programs that can impacts the environment*
  - *Human Impact (Increased Use)*
  - *Direct Built Environment (Access Points)*
  - *Indirect Built Environment (Increased Interest)*
- *Programmatic elements that can help mitigate concerns*
  - *Litter*
  - *Maintenance*
  - *Restoration*

## POTENTIAL QUESTIONS

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## Blueways: Navigating the Balance Between Ecology and Recreation

*Discover the delicate balance between encouraging outdoor paddling experiences and preserving the ecology of Central Ohio's waterways. Join our panel of environmental experts and paddling enthusiasts as we explore the significance of effective strategies for promoting responsible paddling. Through interactive discussions, we'll uncover innovative ways to nurture biodiversity, create environmentally conscious paddlers, and design sustainable water trails. By considering a well-balanced approach to the promotion of outdoor recreation on the waterways, this session aims to inspire a united front in safeguarding our water ecosystems while enhancing public health and quality of life.*

*Attendees will gain a profound understanding of the intersection between outdoor paddling and ecological preservation. Armed with practical strategies and tools, participants will leave with a vision for harmonizing human enjoyment of waterways with the protection of our natural treasures, ensuring that paddling in Central Ohio is beneficial for both people and the environment.*

# CENTRAL OHIO BLUEWAYS STEERING COMMITTEE

## Need for Permanent Organized Structure

- Charter
- By-Laws

## Elements

- Mission
- Vision
- Member Designations
- Meeting Cadence
- Working Groups (if applicable)
- Potential Funding Sources



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# ACCESS POINT DESIGN GUIDELINE PROJECT

## OSU EEDS CLASS CAPSTONE

- Semester Project

## PROJECT ELEMENTS

- Access Point Typologies
- Access Point Components
- Design Considerations

## PROJECT EMPHASES

- The creation of design guidelines for non-motorized waterway access points with a focus on contextually appropriate elements and considerations.



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## WRAP-UP & NEXT STEPS

- CONTINUE REVIEW OF UPDATED DRAFTS
- REVIEW DRAFT CHARTER / BY-LAWS
- ACCESS POINT DESIGN GUIDELINES PROJECT
  - Volunteer for committee (3 to 5 people)
  - Provide any questions, comments, or ideas
- REGISTER FOR SUMMIT ON SUSTAINABILITY



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# THANK YOU

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