

# FEEDER CHANNEL RESTORATION

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The Feeder Channel Restoration project will reclaim the roughly 9-mile channel that connects Buckeye Lake to the South Fork of the Licking River. The channel was originally constructed in 1839 to provide a fresh water source to the lake when it acted as reservoir for the Ohio and Erie Canal. Restoring water flow through the channel is anticipated to improve water quality and provide sufficient water levels in the lake.

Prioritized by:  
**FAIRFIELD COUNTY**

**Project Type:**

**Water & Sewer**

**Estimated Cost:**

**TBD**

**Lead Agency:**

**Buckeye Lake Region Corporation - Water Quality Task Force**

**Project Contact:**

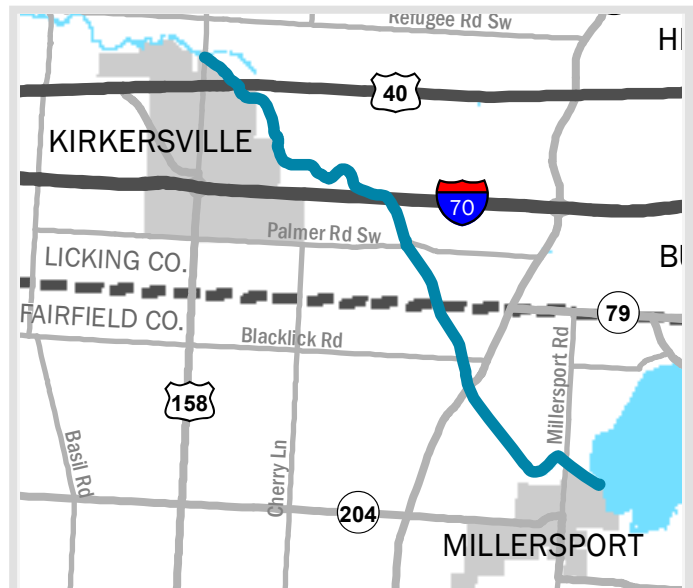
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**Partner Agencies:**

**Ohio Department of Natural Resources,  
Fairfield County, Licking County**

**Jobs Supported:**

**Tourism-industry related employment**



**Project Location**

Northwest corner of Buckeye Lake near Millersport to the South Fork of the Licking River near Kirkersville

## Project Benefits

- Provides for improved water quality of Buckeye Lake by reducing sediment build-up and harmful pollutant runoff, benefitting both habitat and recreation
- Increases source water to the lake, ensuring sufficient supply during drier and hotter summer months for boating and recreation
- Promotes tourism in the Buckeye Lake area
- Leverages previous investments, including the recent reconstruction of the dam
- Aligns with existing planning documents, including the 2013 Buckeye Lake Nutrient Reduction Plan and Buckeye Lake 2036 Planning Charrette



Buckeye Lake during reconstruction of the dam

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