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**NOTICE OF A MEETING
SUSTAINING SCIOTO BOARD
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

REMOTE MEETING

December 9, 2020, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm

AGENDA

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| 2:00pm | Welcome
<i>Kristen Atha, Chair</i> |
| 2:05 – 2:15 pm | 2020 Year in Review –
<i>Brandi Whetstone, MORPC</i> |
| 2:15 - 2:30 pm | 2021 Look Ahead –
<i>Brooke White, MORPC</i> |
| 2:25 – 2:35 pm | Agricultural and Rural Communities Outreach Team –
<i>Jessica d'Ambrosio, Ag&Rural Working Team Chair</i> |
| 2:35 – 2:55 pm | Board member updates |
| 2:55 – 3:00 pm | Next Steps –
<i>Kristen Atha , Chair</i> |
| 3:00 pm | Adjourn |

Please notify Lynn Kaufman at 614-233-4189 or LKaufman@morpc.org to confirm your attendance for this meeting or if you require special assistance.

**The next Sustaining Scioto Board Meeting
will be on February 24, 2020, 2:30 pm – Location to be determined**

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Karen J. Angelou
Chair

Erik J. Janas
Vice Chair

Chris Amorose Grooms
Secretary



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2020 Year in Review

**Brandi Whetstone,
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SUSTAINING SCIOTO IMPLEMENTATION PLAN



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Short Term (10 Years)

2015 – 2025

- Regional Collaborative Forum
- Public Education
- Improve Emergency Preparedness Capacities
- Enhance Operational Procedures (WQ Monitoring & Treatment SOPs)
- Resource Protection/Source Management

LAYERS





2020 PRIORITIES



Informed Decision Making

- Strategy 1** Establish Leadership structure & sustainable program funding
- Strategy 2** Create and update climate data tools and projections to support planning and implementation initiatives
- Strategy 3** Develop and implement a comprehensive Water Quality Monitoring Program



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2020 PRIORITIES



Prepared and Connected Communities

Strategy 1 Establish Public Outreach Team

Strategy 2 Develop Outreach Framework



Protected Resources

Strategy 1 Develop a cooperative program with agricultural community to reduce runoff pollutant loads



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Speakers and Topics



Organization

Topic

University of Heidelberg

Water Quality Monitoring and Research

Ohio EPA

Upper Scioto Water Quality Overview

Byrd Polar and Climate Research Center

Climate, Agriculture, and Water Quality

US EPA

Watershed Monitoring and Cooperative





2021 Look Ahead

**Brooke White,
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Water Quality Monitoring

- **No OWDA funding**
- **Look for other opportunities**
- **Potential NSF grant funding**



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Regional Climate Data and Tools

- **Exploring concepts:**
- **Data to support infrastructure planning**



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Subcommittees

- **Agricultural and Rural Communities Outreach Team**
- **Communications Team**



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Topics and Presenters

- **Climate Data and Tools**
- **Climate Change Communication**



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Agricultural and Rural Outreach Working Team

Jessica D'Ambrosio, Chair





Agricultural & Rural Communities Outreach Team



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- The Ag and Rural Communities Outreach Team's maiden meeting was successfully held on Nov. 19th.
- Short Term Planning Activities:
 - Modelling/Monitoring - Developing a baseline of information from in the watershed through continuous and discreet sampling activities.
 - Outreach – Information gathering focused on outreach activities in the watershed, the partners involved, any gaps identified and the development of new outreach programs.
 - Social Science Study – Overview of farmers in the watershed, characteristics including their motivations in the watershed.

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