

District 8 Natural Resources Assistance Council **Clean Ohio Funding**

Within the Department of Development, the [Ohio Public Works Commission](#) (OPWC) funds the Clean Ohio Program. The Clean Ohio Green Conservation Program helps fund preservation of open spaces, sensitive ecological areas and stream corridors. Projects are reviewed and evaluated locally, with the highest ranking projects recommended to the OPWC for funding.

We are currently accepting applications for three (3) NRAC Board members. We need to receive all application materials no later than **Friday April 19, 2024.**

If you are interested in serving on the NRAC Board, you need to submit the following materials to:

Dennis Tubbs, District 8 OPWC Integrating Committee Liaison
dtubbs@summitoh.net
[330-643-7440](tel:330-643-7440)

Please submit the following materials:

1. A letter of interest in serving on the Natural Resources Assistance Council (NRAC) Board
2. A letter of nomination from a recognized entity in group 1 thru 5 (see Natural Resources Assistance Council (NRAC) Nomination Ballot form)
3. A statement of the nominee's background or qualifications
4. A completed Natural Resources Assistance Council Nomination Ballot (form available at <https://co.summitoh.net/files-committee-resources/NRAC-Nomination-Form.html>)

GREEN SPACE CONSERVATION PROGRAM

Natural Resource Assistance Council Nomination Form

Name:

Address:

Phone:

E-Mail:

Public Works District Integrating Committee Number:

Representing:

(Check one and complete name of organization)

1. _____ A county, municipal corporation, township, conservancy district, regional or joint district or unit of local government, or regional or joint political subdivision that is located within the geographical jurisdiction of the appointing integrating committee.

ORGANIZATION:

2. _____ A conservation organization, an environmental advocacy organization, an organization with a primary interest in watershed protection and restoration, the department of natural resources, the environmental protection agency, or the United States natural resources conservation service.

ORGANIZATION:

3. _____ A city parks system or metropolitan parks system or a board of park commissioners from a county that is located within the geographical jurisdiction of the appointing integrating committee, a statewide parks and recreation organization, or the United States national park service.

ORGANIZATION:

4. _____ A statewide organization representing agriculture, an organization representing forestry interests, the department of agriculture, or the United States department of agriculture.

ORGANIZATION:

5. _____ An organization representing business, local realtors, or a planning agency, including a port authority, located within the geographical jurisdiction of the appointing integrating committee.

ORGANIZATION:

Attachments

- A. A letter of nomination from a recognized, eligible entity in group 1 through 5.
- B. A statement of the nominee's background or qualifications.

The membership of a natural resources assistance council shall reflect the demographic and economic diversity of the population located within the geographical area represented by the council. (Ref: R.C. O.R.C.164.21 (A))

Nomination Procedures

- Nominees must represent a recognized organization or entity from one of the groupings defined in R.C. 164.21(A) and provide the required documentation.

Exception: Nominations for the member which shall be a member of the appointing integrating committee shall be accepted and voted upon at a public meeting of the respective integrating committee, and nominations for the member which shall represent a soil and water conservation district shall be accepted by letter from the soil and water conservation district(s) within the respective integrating committee and be voted upon at a public meeting.

- Nominations shall be emailed to the respective district integrating committee's Liaison and shall be copied to the OPWC program representative. The OPWC shall confirm the nominee's eligibility to the liaison.
- District committees or, if applicable, the executive committee, shall meet to consider all nominations received and by vote at a public meeting appoint members of their respective Natural Resources Assistance Council.
- The District Liaison shall provide nominees with the date, time and location of the integrating committee meeting at which their nomination will be considered.

Conditions

- Terms of office shall be for three years, with each term ending on the same day of the same month as did the term that it succeeds. Each member shall hold office from the date of appointment until the end of the term for which the member is appointed, except that, with respect to any member who is an elected or appointed official of a township, municipal corporation, or county, the term of office for that person on the council shall not extend beyond the member's term as an elected or appointed official.
- Members may be reappointed. Vacancies shall be filled in the same manner provided for original appointments. Any member appointed to fill a vacancy occurring prior to the expiration date of the term for which the member was appointed shall hold office for the remainder of that term. A member shall continue in office subsequent to the expiration date of the member's term until the member's successor takes office or until a period of sixty days has elapsed, whichever occurs first. Members may be removed by the district public works integrating committee for misfeasance, malfeasance, or nonfeasance in office.
- Serving as a member of a natural resources assistance council under this section does not constitute holding a public office or position of employment under the laws of this state and does not confer a right to compensation from any agency of this state.

The Ohio Public Works Commission is responsible for the administration of Revised Code sections 164.20 to 164.27 (Clean Ohio Conservation program). Questions relative to the nomination and appointment process should be directed to the Commission staff.