

To: Interested Parties in Mahoning and Trumbull Counties

From: Eastgate Regional Council of Governments (Eastgate)
Stephanie Dyer, District 6 Natural Resource Assistance Council Liaison

Date: February 19, 2021

Subject: Call for Nominations to fill TWO seats on the District Six Natural Resource Assistance Council for the Clean Ohio Greenspace Conservation Fund.

The Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) District Six Integrating Committee is seeking nominations to fill two at-large seats on the District Six Natural Resources Assistance Council (NRAC) as defined in Section 164.21 (A) of the Ohio Revised Code. Each position will serve a three-year term. Nominations may include a nomination from any one of the five NRAC member categories listed below:

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 District 6 Integrating Committee.
2. A conservation organization, and environmental advocacy organization, and 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 resource conservation service.
3. A city park system or a metropolitan park system or a board of park commissioners from a county that is located within the geographical jurisdiction of the District 6 Integrating Committee, a statewide parks and recreation organization, or the United States national park service.
4. A statewide organization representing agriculture, and an organization representing forestry interests, the department of agriculture, or the United States department of agriculture.
5. An organization representing business, local Realtors, or a planning agency, including a port authority, located within the geographical jurisdiction of the District 6 Integrating Committee.

No organization, unit of government, or agency listed shall nominate more than one individual to serve on the NRAC or be represented by more than one member on the NRAC at any given time. The membership of the NRAC shall reflect the demographic and economic diversity of the population located within the geographic area represented by the NRAC.

The NRAC is responsible for allocating funds made available to Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC) District Six (Mahoning and Trumbull Counties) through the Clean Ohio Greenspace Conservation Fund program. The program is designed to fund preservation/restoration of open space and/or the protection and enhancement of riparian corridors and watersheds. Eligible projects are reviewed and selected by the District Six NRAC in accordance with Ohio Revised Code (ORC) 164.24. Members of NRAC may not be compensated for personal or professional services provided, through contract or employment, for any project considered for Commission funding by the NRAC.

Anyone interested in serving on the NRAC shall submit the following:

- A letter of nomination from the appropriate nominating organization's director;
- Completed nomination form; and
- A current resume or summary of qualifications.

Nomination forms are available at the Eastgate Regional Council of Governments website at <http://www.eastgatecog.org/environmental-planning/CleanOhio>. Nominations shall be submitted on or before **3:00 pm Friday, April 9th, 2021** to the District 6 Clean Ohio Conservation Fund Liaison, Stephanie Dyer, via email sdyer@eastgatecog.org. Additional information regarding the Clean Ohio Greenspace Conservation Fund program can be found on the OPWC website, <https://www.pwc.ohio.gov/Programs/All-OPWC-Funding-Programs#56415-clean-ohio>.