



Annual Report 2023

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Board of Supervisors

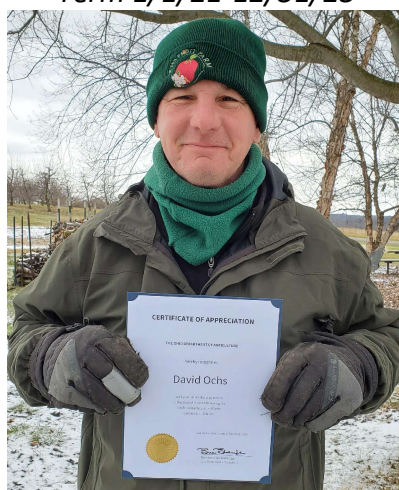
- Gregg Pontius** - Chair
- Doug Tenney** - Vice-Chair
- Amber Hoisington** - Secretary
- David Ochs** - Treasurer
- Linda Claypool** - Member

Staff

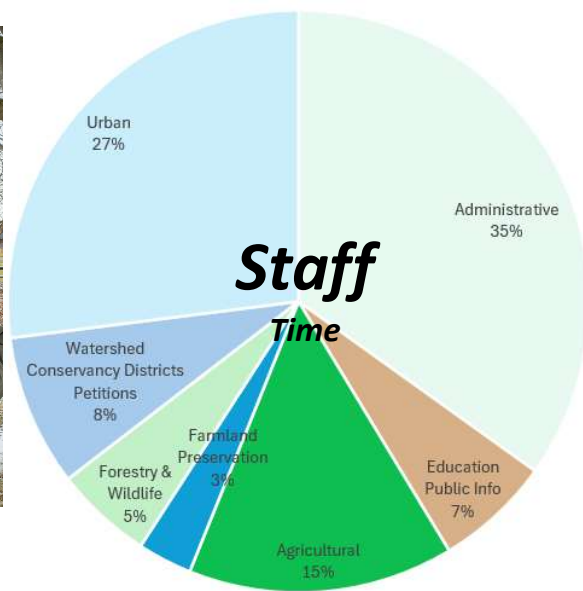
- Nikki Drake** - District Manager/
Engineering Technician
- Jonathan Ferbrache** - Sr. Resource Specialist
- Molly Gilleland** - Urban/Resource Technician
- Christina Holt** - Fiscal Coordinator
- Chad Lucht** - Urban Manager
- Tommy Springer/Lauren Vires** -
Wildlife/Education Specialist
- Josh Troyer** - Engineering Technician

David Ochs

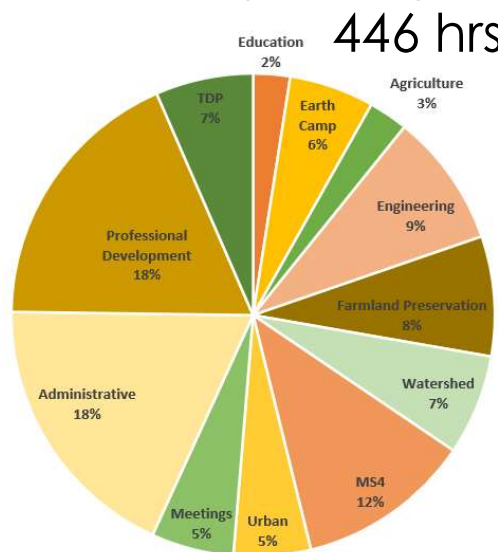
Term 1/1/21-12/31/23



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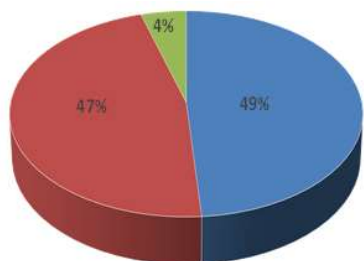


Summer Intern provided by ODA



*Our mission:
to be progressive natural
resource advocates
by assisting the public with
conservation choices*

Budget
Commissioner Funds = \$306,800
State Funds = \$293,545
Other Local Funds = \$29,000



\$ Into Fairfield County Economy Through Programs (does not go to FSWCD)

Conservation Reserve Program	\$591,859
Environmental Quality Incentives Program	\$266,770
Conservation Stewardship Program	\$1,058,710
Farmland Preservation Program	\$309,578

\$2,226,917

AGRICULTURE



30 OACI surveys completed

petition ditches inspected w/ Co. Engineer **2**



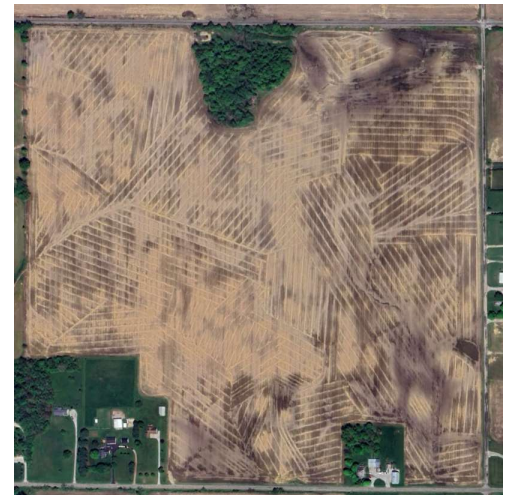
164 drainage calls/visits



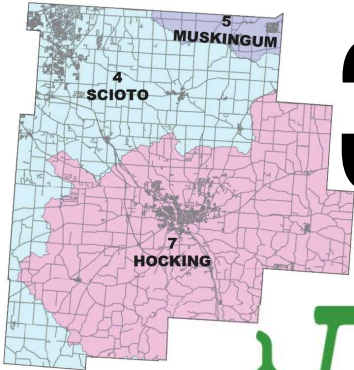
2 grazing plans written



30 drone flights **668** record # acres of tile installed

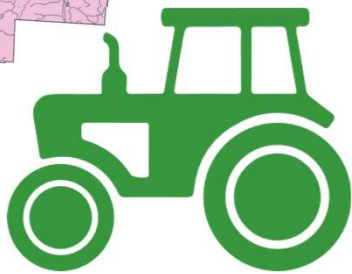


ODA WATERSHED PROGRAM
2021 HBT REGIONS



3 aided in watershed plans

202.5 acres + 2000 grapevines planted w/ drills & tree planter



32 monitoring inspections

71 logjam, well & spring records digitized from 1999-2000



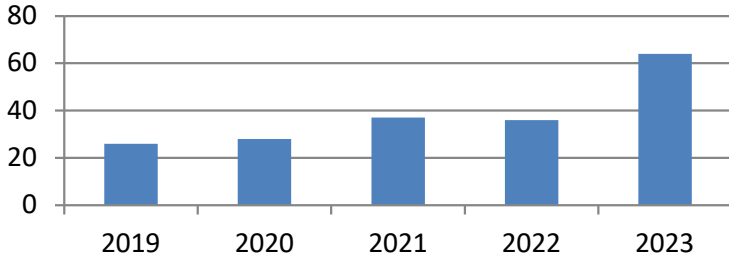
2 farmland preservation applications

\$ 309,578

Clean Ohio funds allocated for easement purchases

2023 Engineering Review

Projects Built



Above: Graph shows 5 years of construction trends. CRP waterway cost-share from 50% to 100% in 2021, staff changes (Carrie 3/2019-7/2021, Josh started 9/2021), and lack of EQIP Farm Bill funding have affected numbers. Design requests remain strong, although cost of materials still may pose an issue.

Projects constructed = 64

- 25 waterways
- 22 tile systems
- 5 grade stabilizations
- 4 heavy use pads
- 4 watering facilities
- 2 access roads
- 1 hoop roof runoff
- 1 ditch



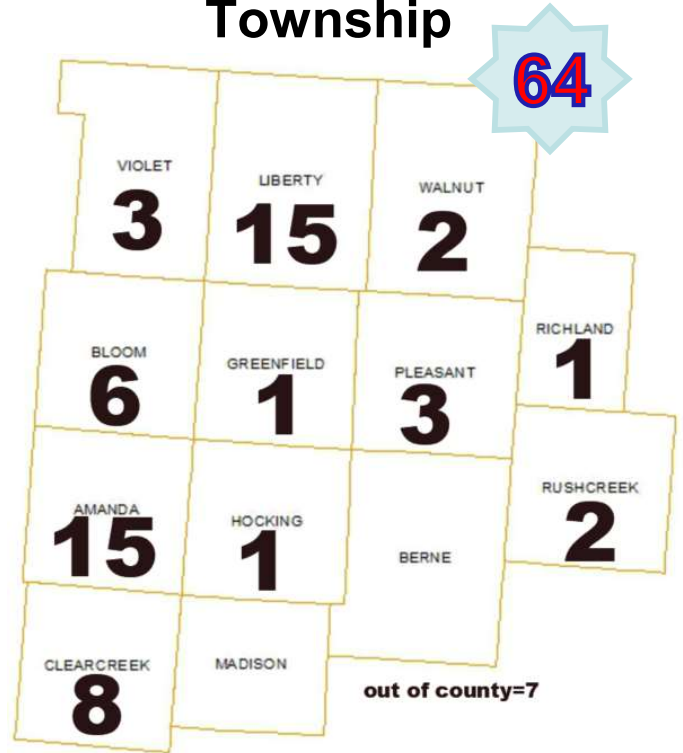
Projects designed = 56

- 37 waterways
- 11 tile systems
- 2 access roads
- 2 heavy use pads
- 2 site grading
- 1 chemical containment eval
- 1 ditch eval

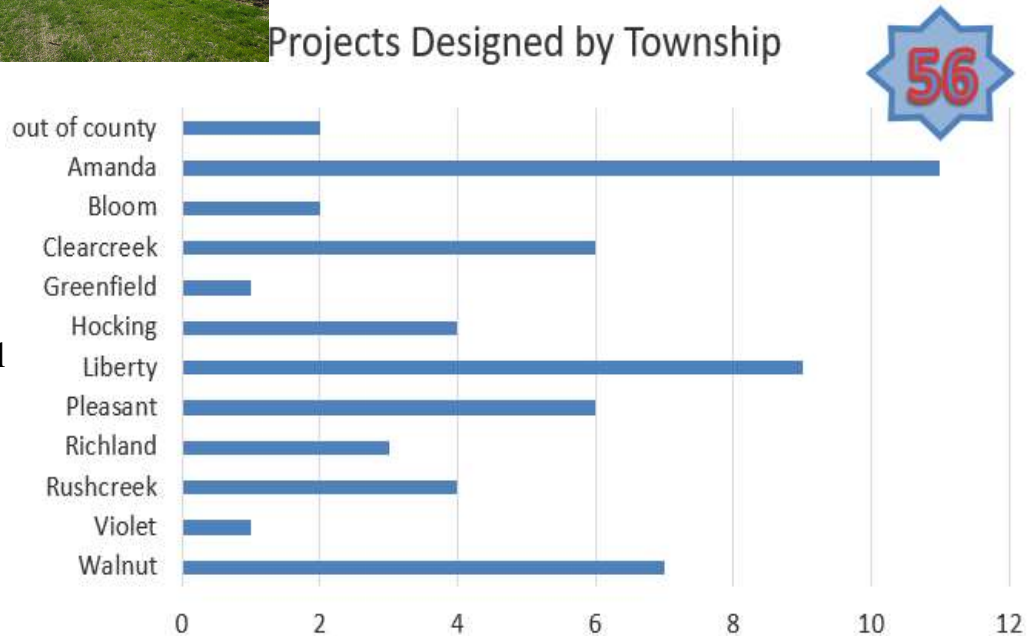
Projects surveyed = 50

- 29 waterways
- 12 tile systems
- 2 heavy use pads
- 2 site grading
- 1 watering facility
- 1 access road
- 1 roof runoff
- 1 ditch
- 1 sediment study

Projects Constructed by Township



Projects Designed by Township



NRCS Contribution agreement funding received for engineering projects completed:

\$10,021.50 CRP

\$7,311.00 EQIP

CRP waterway renewal inspections = 17 (every 10 years for re-enrollment)

Ag. pollution complaints – 3 investigated (all non-violations)
1 from 2022 resolved

2 OUTREACH

drug
collection
events

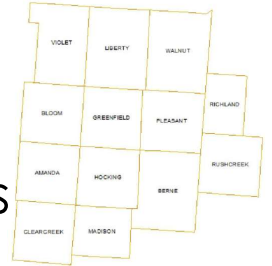


189 cars
6.2 tons electronics
105 lbs. drugs

3 Fairfield
Features
Newsletters
sent to **4,845**



19 county
land use
meetings



7 sci fair
4-H
poster
judges



875 tree seedlings
donated to
5th graders at
8 schools



134 customers

8,089 sold

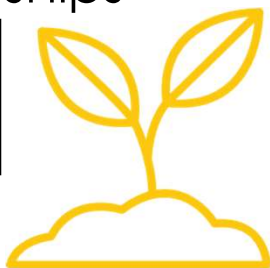
34 **2,950** kids
events reached
2,516 adults



3 college
scholarships

Camp
Canopy
sponsorship

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40 Students at Earth Camp
at Smeck Park



WILDLIFE

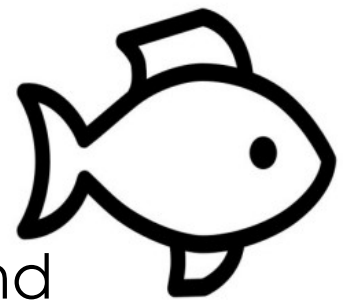
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Radio Interviews



since 2015

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pond visits/inquiries

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Wildlife Related Newspaper Articles Published

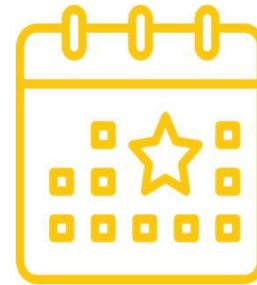
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attended pond clinic



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Wildlife Related Programs



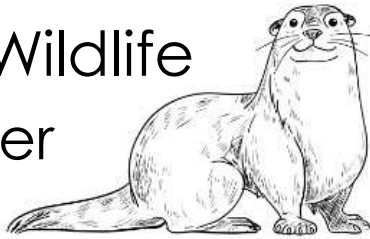
SURVEYS

conducted w/

Division of Wildlife



-  River otter
-  Roadkill
-  Mid-Winter Waterfowl
-  Deer Aging Station
-  CWD Sampling Station



Thousands visited our Fairfield County Fair display



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Landowners with crop damage provided deer damage permits

Landowners provided Habitat Assistance

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URBAN

176

drainage
calls/visits across
10 townships



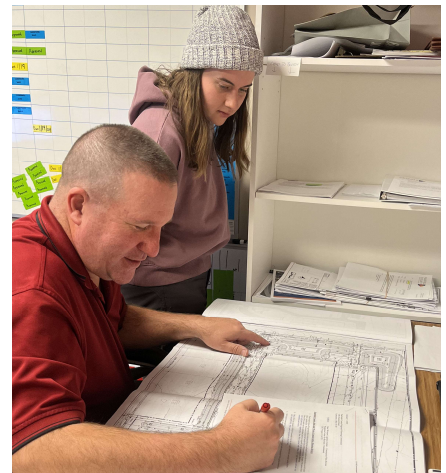
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dry weather
inspections
across **4** MS4
communities



195

Construction Site
inspections across
16 sites



5 MS4
communities
assisted



60

Plans
reviewed

3,054

Residential lot inspections
and **140** new DESC
permits issued

