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## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AVAILABILITY NOTICE

The Ohio EPA, through the Water Pollution Control Loan Fund (WPCLF) program, is considering funding a project which is subject to environmental review requirements. Youngstown's project currently under construction consists of 3,664 lineal feet (lf) of 96-inch diameter sewer pipe, 257 lf of 72-inch diameter sewer pipe, 770 lf of 60-inch diameter sewer, 506 lf of 48-inch diameter sewer pipe, 692 lf of 24-inch diameter sewer pipe, 20 lf of 36-inch diameter sewer pipe, 245 lf of 8-inch diameter sewer pipe, 785 lf of laterals, 13 manholes, three special concrete connecting chambers, related appurtenances, a submersible pump station, and 550 lf of force main. In the short-term, the city's plan is to route flows from the new 96" diameter interceptor sewer north through a 72-inch diameter sewer back to the existing 84-inch sanitary sewer. From here, the flows will continue on to the siphons under the Mahoning River and eventually the city's Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The city's long-term plan is to connect this sanitary sewer network to a future, proposed tunnel under the Mahoning River and its WWTP, and to abandon the temporary connection built as part of this project. The estimated cost of this related, future project is \$16.3 million with the project scheduled to be designed by Spring 2020 and constructed by Autumn 2025. In addition, the on-going project includes the following improvements that are not sanitary sewers: storm sewers, a parking lot, Covelli Center Pond modifications, petroleum contaminated water and soil treatment and removal, and proper removal of other contaminated materials, such as asbestos. Finally, the on-going project includes in-place abandonment of about 2550 lf of existing sanitary sewers and related manholes, and site restoration.

As Ohio EPA has issued a Draft Finding of No Significant Impact and an accompanying Environmental Assessment (EA) on this project, this notice is to advise the public that it will have a 30-day period in which to review the EA and provide comments to the Ohio EPA contact named at the end of the document. This public comment period will begin with the release of the document to the public through posting of the EA in the city's offices, on Ohio EPA's website, and mailing of the document to interested residents who respond to this availability notice by providing Ohio EPA with their name and address. If you would like to receive either an electronic (PDF) copy via e-mail or a paper copy via U.S. mail upon the EA's release, please contact Kevin Hinkle at either: [kevin.hinkle@epa.ohio.gov](mailto:kevin.hinkle@epa.ohio.gov), (614) 644-3712, or by sending a written request to:

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In addition to distributing the EA to interested parties, Ohio EPA will post the EA document at the following website: <http://www.epa.ohio.gov/defa/ofa.aspx>

Once there, please scroll down to the "Documents Available for Review and Comment" heading at the bottom of the linked page. Then, please click on the "WPCLF Documents for Review and Comment" heading to see a list of documents available for downloading. A copy of Youngstown's 84-inch sewer relocation project EA will be posted there.