Natural Resources Assistance Council
District 12 – Lucas County, Ohio

Virtual Meeting Policy

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 121.221, Public meetings – virtual meetings, the OPWC Natural Resources Council District 12 adopted the following Virtual Meeting Policy.

Call and Conduct of Public Meeting using Video Conference Technology

Upon the call of the Chair or majority of members in writing, the District Chair and the Clean Ohio Liaison will ensure the following:

• At least 72-hours' notice, accessible by reasonable methods, of the time, place, and purpose or agenda of the meeting/hearing to the public, media, and parties required to be noticed.

• Public access will be ensured such that the public can see and hear all aspects of the meeting/hearing, including any members of the NRAC District 12 that may be participating virtually.

• A roll call vote for any action by the NRAC District 12unless the members attending decides the mater by unanimous consent and without the object on of any member.

• NRAC District 12 members attending the meeting virtually must notify the District Chair or the Clean Ohio Liaison at least 48 hours in advance.

• The public must be given virtual access to any virtual meeting or hearing that is equivalent to the access it would have if a member of the public were in attendance. Such arrangements must be stated in the public notice.

• Chair or acting Chair of the meeting/hearing must originate and host the meeting from a publicly accessible building which time of meeting and location have been included in the legal notice and includes accommodations and access to the public at that time and place.

• All other aspects and conditions of the meeting conducted in accordance with Section 121.221 must follow applicable provisions of the Ohio's Open Meetings Act (R.C. 121.22).

• All virtual meetings will utilize livestreaming tools available through Microsoft Teams, which internet links shall be included in any notice of a virtual meeting.

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