



Black River Advisory Committee

LoCo 'Yaks | Facilitating Organization

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BI-MONTHLY (COVID) MEETING | Tuesday, February 9, 2021 @ 1:00 PM


Zoom link to join:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88573535699?pwd=VWIPV2xJc25zaS9YQU1DZHFTYnF4QT09>

Meeting ID: 885 7353 5699

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Agenda

- ❖ Welcome / Call to Order
- ❖ Fiscal Report
 - Spent \$47,874.40 of \$113,210.00 through the end of January 2021.
 - Cumulative fiscal report attached.
 - Cumulative progress report attached.
- ❖ Old Business
 - Approval of Meeting Minutes 12/08/2020
 - Doodly video
 - App – sub-contractor letter has been submitted. Waiting for approval.
- ❖ Black River Restoration Project Updates
 - County
 - City
- ❖ Ohio AOC Program Updates
 - 100th GLAOC BUI has been removed --- AND --- it was #11 on the Black River!! 
 - From Lynn Garrity:
 - The Ohio Lake Erie Commission has established a new website including a webpage for the [Ohio AOC Program](#). The previous Ohio EPA page provides a link to the new OLEC webpage. Please note to update any bookmarks or links you may have to the [Ohio AOC program](#). The Ohio AOC Program webpages provide links to each existing active local AOC webpage for further resources on individual AOCs.
 - The dates of September 28-30 have been set for the [2021 GL AOC Conference](#) with the location of Muskegon Michigan. Any announcements/information on the Conference will come through from the Michigan AOC program and USEPA and the Conference website when available. We will keep you posted when more information becomes available. Options for attendance to the Conference due to COVID conditions continue to be assessed.
- ❖ New Business
- ❖ Announcements
- ❖ Adjourn

2019-2022 - ERIE19 AOC Facilitating Organization Support

Category	Approved funds	Apr-19	May-19	Jun-19	Jul-19	Aug-19	Sep-19
Personnel + Fringe	\$ 80,570.00	\$ 2,429.38	\$ 3,022.50	\$ 2,916.88	\$ 2,405.01	\$ 1,909.38	\$ 3,136.26
Travel	\$ 4,500.00	\$ 39.62	\$ 117.59	\$ 757.59	\$ -	\$ 5.69	\$ 152.65
Equipment	\$ 400.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Supplies	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sub-Contractual	\$ 23,540.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 700.00	\$ -	\$ -
Other	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total grant	\$ 113,210.00						
Monthly expenditures		\$ 2,469.00	\$ 3,140.09	\$ 3,674.47	\$ 3,105.01	\$ 1,915.07	\$ 3,288.91
Cumulative expenditures		\$ 2,469.00	\$ 5,609.09	\$ 9,283.56	\$ 12,388.57	\$ 14,303.64	\$ 17,592.55
Remaining funds		\$ 110,741.00	\$ 107,600.91	\$ 103,926.44	\$ 100,821.43	\$ 98,906.36	\$ 95,617.45

Oct-19	Nov-19	Dec-19	Jan-20	Feb-20	Mar-20	Apr-20	May-20
\$ 2,323.75	\$ 2,535.00	\$ 2,080.00	\$ 2,827.50	\$ 2,494.38	\$ 1,836.25	\$ -	\$ -
\$ 47.36	\$ 116.02	\$ 19.60	\$ 512.15	\$ 148.24	\$ 6.90	\$ -	\$ -
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\$ -	\$ 39.49	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 16.00
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\$ 2,371.11	\$ 2,690.51	\$ 2,099.60	\$ 3,339.65	\$ 2,642.62	\$ 1,843.15	\$ -	\$ 16.00
\$ 19,963.66	\$ 22,654.17	\$ 24,753.77	\$ 28,093.42	\$ 30,736.04	\$ 32,579.19	\$ 32,579.19	\$ 32,595.19
\$ 93,246.34	\$ 90,555.83	\$ 88,456.23	\$ 85,116.58	\$ 82,473.96	\$ 80,630.81	\$ 80,630.81	\$ 80,614.81

	Jun-20	Jul-20	Aug-20	Sep-20	Oct-20	Nov-20	Dec-20	Jan-21
\$	-	\$ 723.13	\$ 2,031.25	\$ 1,885.00	\$ 2,311.00	\$ 2,424.63	\$ 2,355.75	\$ 2,913.63
\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$	-	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 399.98	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
\$	16.00	\$ 16.00	\$ 107.88	\$ 94.96	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
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\$	16.00	\$ 739.13	\$ 2,139.13	\$ 2,379.94	\$ 2,311.00	\$ 2,424.63	\$ 2,355.75	\$ 2,913.63
\$	32,611.19	\$ 33,350.32	\$ 35,489.45	\$ 37,869.39	\$ 40,180.39	\$ 42,605.02	\$ 44,960.77	\$ 47,874.40
\$	80,598.81	\$ 79,859.68	\$ 77,720.55	\$ 75,340.61	\$ 73,029.61	\$ 70,604.98	\$ 68,249.23	\$ 65,335.60

APPENDIX A-Project Deliverables

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Black River AOC Support & Community Outreach

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Revised September 2020

Project Reporting Period: QTRs 1-7 / April 1, 2019 -- Dec. 31, 2020

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		Target #	Units	# Complete	% Complete	
A. AOC Coordination, Support and Communication Activities	1	General secretariat services to AOC Advisory Committee	ongoing			
	2	Coordinate scheduling of AOC Advisory Committee meetings	11	Meetings	10	90.91%
	3	Create/post minutes from AOC Advisory Committee meetings	11	Minutes Posted	8	72.73%
	4	Provide progress and fiscal update to AOC Advisory Committee	11	Updates	8	72.73%
	5	Assist with BUI Removal/Delisting Documents	1	Document	1	100.00%
	6	Assist with developing/maintaining Management Action Project list	1	Assist	1	100.00%
	7	Assist AOC-specific project teams, sub-committees or workgroups	6	Teams	6	100.00%
<p>Explanation for AOC Coordination, Support & Communication Deliverables: 4. Eight quarterly & bi-monthly meetings to date. 5. BUI 11 removal report submitted Nov, & Dec 2020. 7. 1) BRCU'19, 2) 2019KAT, 3) one kayak trip by end of 2ndQ, 4) Summit sub-committee, 5) River Chatter sub-committee, 6) YouTube sub-committee</p>						
B. Grants Administration and Management			Target #	Units	# Complete	% Complete
	1	Maintain separate account and grant financial accounting system	ongoing			
	2	Maintain an AOC Facilitating Organization Time Code & Tracking System	ongoing			
	3	Prepare and submit an AOC-specific annual report	2	Reports	1	50.00%
	4	Submit semi-annual progress reports	5	Reports	4	80.00%
	5	Submit quarterly fiscal reports	11	Reports	7	63.64%
6	Submit final progress and fiscal reports at grant closing	2	Reports		0.00%	
<p>Explanation for Grants Administration & Management Deliverables: 3. cumulative fiscal report presented to BRAC 4. submitted Oct. 2019, Jan. 2020, July 2020, this one. 5. Submitted July 2019, Oct. 2019, Jan 2020, April 2020, July 2020, Oct 2020, this one.</p>						
C. Public Involvement and Engagement			Target #	Units	# Complete	% Complete
	1	Conduct annual public program highlighting AOC activities	2	Meetings	1	50.00%
	2	Enlist additional AOC Advisory Committee members as needed	16	Members	14	87.50%
3	Assist Ohio EPA with BUI removal public meeting	1	Meeting	1	100.00%	
<p>Explanation for Public Involvement/Engagement Deliverables: 1. July/ Summer 2019 Meeting & River Tour. 2. Two committee members helped plan 2019 KAT logistics; 1 for kayak field trip; 2 for Sunset Beach Fest; 1 for NOACA 208 Meeting, 4 for Summit sub-committee, 4 for River Chatter sub-committee. 3. A "Comment Period" was offered due to the pandemic & social distancing restrictions.</p>						
			Target #	Units	# Complete	% Complete
1	Establish/maintain an AOC-specific website	26	Updates	12	46.15%	
2	Establish/Maintain an AOC-Specific Facebook page	250	Updates	186	74.40%	

D. AOC Specific Education, Outreach and Information Management Activities	3	Establish/Maintain other social media accounts	2	Accounts	2	100.00%	
	4	Create/post short AOC-specific videos on social media	20	Videos	11	55.00%	
	5	Create/distribute longer AOC-specific videos on DVD (or another media)	1	Video		0.00%	
	6	Create/distribute AOC-specific print newsletters	1	Newsletter		0.00%	
	7	Create/distribute AOC-specific e-newsletter	12	E-Newsletters	2	16.67%	
	8	Develop/distribute AOC-specific press releases	2	Press Releases	2	100.00%	
	9	Develop/distribute AOC-specific brochure or fact sheet	2	Brochures		0.00%	
	10	Develop/distribute Management Action Project brochures or fact sheets	2	Brochures		0.00%	
	11	Develop AOC-specific exhibit and/or display	2	Displays	2	100.00%	
	12	Use exhibit/display regarding AOC program at environmental festivals/events	6	Events	6	100.00%	
	13	Present regarding AOC-specific issues at webinar, workshop, meeting	6	Events	6	100.00%	
	14	Attend AOC program related webinar, workshop, conference	4	Events	2	50.00%	
	18	Conduct AOC-specific Town Hall meeting, symposium, summit	2	Events		0.00%	
	19	Conduct AOC-specific management action project site visit/field day	2	Events	1	50.00%	
	20	Conduct boat, bus and/or walking tour for public, officials or other audience	2	Events	1	50.00%	
	21	Conduct AOC-specific stream clean-up	6	Events	3	50.00%	
	22	Other: Educational kayak tour with follow-up assignment for display	4	Events	1	25.00%	
		<p>Explanation for AOC Specific Education, Outreach and Information Management Deliverables: 8. 1) Public Comment period for BUI 11 removal recommendation; 2) BUI 11 Removal announcement. 11. 1) Art display used at GLAOC Conference and other events; 2) VR 360 videos. 12. 1) Adventure Fest 5/18/19; 2) Sunset Paddle Fest 8/17/19; 3) GLAOC 9/11-9/12/19; 4) NEORS Clean Water Fest 9/21/19; 5) NOACA 208 Plan public meeting; 6) University Club winter meeting 2/2020. 13. 1-2) BR AOC presented twice at the GLAOC Conference; 3) University Club meeting 2/2020; 4-6) River Chatter Nov. 2019, Jan. & Feb.2020. 14. GLAOC Conference 2019 and Ohio AOC Conference 3/2020. 19. Summer public meeting & river tour 7/22/19. 20. Summer public meeting & river tour 7/22/19. 21. 1) BRCU'19 5/5 & 5/6/19; 2) Hyland Software Volunteer Day 7/12/19; 3) Lorain High School Environmental Science classes 9/27/19. 22. Amherst AP Biology 9/20/19.</p>					
	Project Implementation Details		<p>At a minimum please provide the items referenced under photographs, publications, and outreach & education; if the project is not at a stage where these items are available, please specify "not applicable". Use of the "other" category is optional.</p>				
			Photographs:	Please provide project photos (electronic format preferred) showing before, during, and after implementation details; label photos with project site and locational information and provide a caption identifying what is			
			List Photographs provided here:				
			Publications:	Please provide copies (electronic format preferred) of all project publications and/or products completed during this reporting period; examples include fact sheets, brochures, videos, project specific assessment report, QAPPs, website pages, workshop and field day announcements and training			
		List Publications provided here:					
		Outreach & Education (use the space below to provide this information):	Please identify outreach targeted during this reporting period (general public, project stakeholders, technical experts, particular stakeholder group; e.g. farmers, park users, etc.), type of outreach (meeting, field day, mailing, river festival, canoe float, project site tour, volunteer implementation such as				

		monitoring, tree planting, bank stabilization, etc.) and results of outreach (number of participants, summary of evaluation comments received, number
	Education and Outreach:	
	Other (optional; use the space below to provide this information)	Please share any noteworthy project accomplishments and/or project challenges during this reporting period; project accomplishment examples include chemical, physical, or biological water quality improvements; special designation or recognition of the project site or project partners; overwhelming public response to outreach & education; or anything else you'd like to share with us; project challenge examples include unexpected
	Other: COVID-19 Pandemic.	
	3Q &4Q newsarticles about Black River &/or BRAC:	
		https://www.morningjournal.com/news/lorain-county/giant-geopool-strains-sediment-from-black-river-water/article_a33886dc-e3e1-11ea-b1e8-73752122207e.html
		https://www.morningjournal.com/news/lorain-county/lorain-dredge-material-project-moves-forward/article_2d672518-fd17-11ea-a490-f7a6487fedd0.html?
		https://www.morningjournal.com/news/lorain-county/lorain-landscape-changing-from-slag-piles-to-grass-on-black-river/article_2839e37e-bca2-11ea-a776-aff8071ef7a5.html?fbclid=IwAR3CwNt1o_FnyHli5oMx2QCr8GmHy5zBqhMpTVGnJFN3yJJI_dGGV-3FM_Q
		https://www.morningjournal.com/news/lake-erie/lorain-officials-laud-black-river-conservation-efforts/article_e179485a-0817-11eb-920a-cf3b02f030bd.html?fbclid=IwAR268UowZfOYVK06bAJ_xeRmOI5w0q3KcrtuYo8HCnbMsdUD9ba7r1AvSE
		https://www.cleveland.com/news/2020/10/ashtabula-river-is-so-clean-its-no-longer-listed-as-epa-area-of-concern-lorain-and-cuyahoga-rivers-making-progress.html?fbclid=IwAR0OWvbd6LQeCFWKjDanQEbQkVK7-w8dAL2kNBpPmrJUENb4FXhEL1zv2Pw
		https://www.morningjournal.com/news/lorain-county/epa-report-outlines-black-river-water-shoreline-improvements/article_b2e22ca6-398a-11eb-8bcf-67c0a184bc0f.html?fbclid=IwAR35r_8fAoXpHoDd8ssF1cZ3SfjilrBPguYSyi40XJTdIYWW7WhqoQ-GxZI
		https://www.morningjournal.com/news/lorain-county/lorain-grant-to-support-fairport-harbor-dredging/article_224e0d10-4f8b-11eb-a02e-63ed8bdd4599.html?utm_content=fb-morningjournal&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=socialflow&utm_source=facebook.com&fbclid=IwAR0cfFjuSCJoDrtygEqqXN5CxOt3FOCieDat1fapHcUSZRMqeKXBtvCvUps
		https://www.morningjournal.com/news/lorain-county/black-river-looking-better-epa-says/article_5cb9e3ba-5a86-11eb-be31-a3d64a953997.html?utm_source=facebook.com&utm_content=fb-morningjournal&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=socialflow&fbclid=IwAR2oMs1xiB3L9sYVQWNNqF3lrfz_gVuobkLW-bwEp7Eoivye2Hks82Cnjl

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