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**Ohio Lake Erie Commission to Hold June Meeting
at Heidelberg University Campus Center in Tiffin**

The Ohio Lake Erie Commission will hold its next quarterly meeting Wednesday, June 24, 2015, at 10 a.m. at Heidelberg University Campus Center, Room 120, 44 Greenfield St., Tiffin.

During the meeting, the commission will take action on two recommended Lake Erie Protection Fund grant project proposals. The commission will also hear about the progress of current projects and learn about recommendations for nutrient targets into Lake Erie developed by a binational work group convened under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.

Information about the phosphorus loading from streams into Lake Erie from this spring's season into Lake Erie also will be presented. A tour of the National Center for Water Quality Research laboratory at Heidelberg University will follow the meeting.

OLEC oversees Ohio's Lake Erie Protection Fund, a grant program for projects that benefit the Lake Erie watershed economically and environmentally. This fund is supported by Ohioans who purchase a Lake Erie license plate displaying the Marblehead Lighthouse or the Lake Erie preserver and other donations.

All OLEC meetings are open to the public and include reports from the member state agencies and advisory committees, followed by a public comment period. Organizations and citizens are encouraged to attend.

OLEC was established for the purpose of preserving Lake Erie's natural resources, protecting the quality of its waters and ecosystem and promoting economic development in the region. The director of the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA) serves as the commission's chairman. Additional members include the directors of the state departments of Transportation, Health, Development Services, Agriculture, Natural Resources and four additional members appointed by Governor John Kasich.

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