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Muskingum Watershed
Conservancy District

Annual Report of Operations 2006

MWCD MISSION STATEMENT

The Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District is dedicated to conservation and recreation conducted in harmony with flood control in the area of Ohio drained by the Muskingum River and its tributaries.

Funded from income generated by the stewardship of its lands and waters, the District strives to enhance the quality of life in the Muskingum Lakes Region and beyond.



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The Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District is absolutely committed to safeguarding our area by maintaining our dams and reservoirs for future generations. Adequately meeting this need will require a small investment from all property owners within the 18-county area in the form of a maintenance assessment levied by the MWCD.

The MWCD has functioned successfully for many years, relying almost solely on fees and revenues generated from parks and recreational facilities, land leases and various properties. Through prudent fiscal management, MWCD is the only active Conservancy District in the state that has not required an assessment to maintain flood protection and water quality benefits.

However, the aging system, completed in 1938, now has serious ongoing maintenance challenges, including a basic deterioration of the dam system's infrastructure. Every year, there are enormous costs incurred fighting the effects of erosion, sedimentation, debris collection and threats to water quality including acid mine drainage and sewage.

The current cost estimate for repairs is nearly \$270 million – far more than MWCD revenues that come primarily from recreational fees.

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What is a Watershed?

When it rains, water flows down hill — but where that water goes helps explain a watershed. At any point in a water course, it drains to certain rivers and lakes. The Muskingum Watershed includes all of the area which drains into to the Muskingum River and its tributaries where it joins with the Ohio River.

NARRATIVE

History

Ohio's worst natural disaster continues to play a prominent role today in the existence and operation of the system of flood-reduction reservoirs and dams in the Muskingum River Watershed.

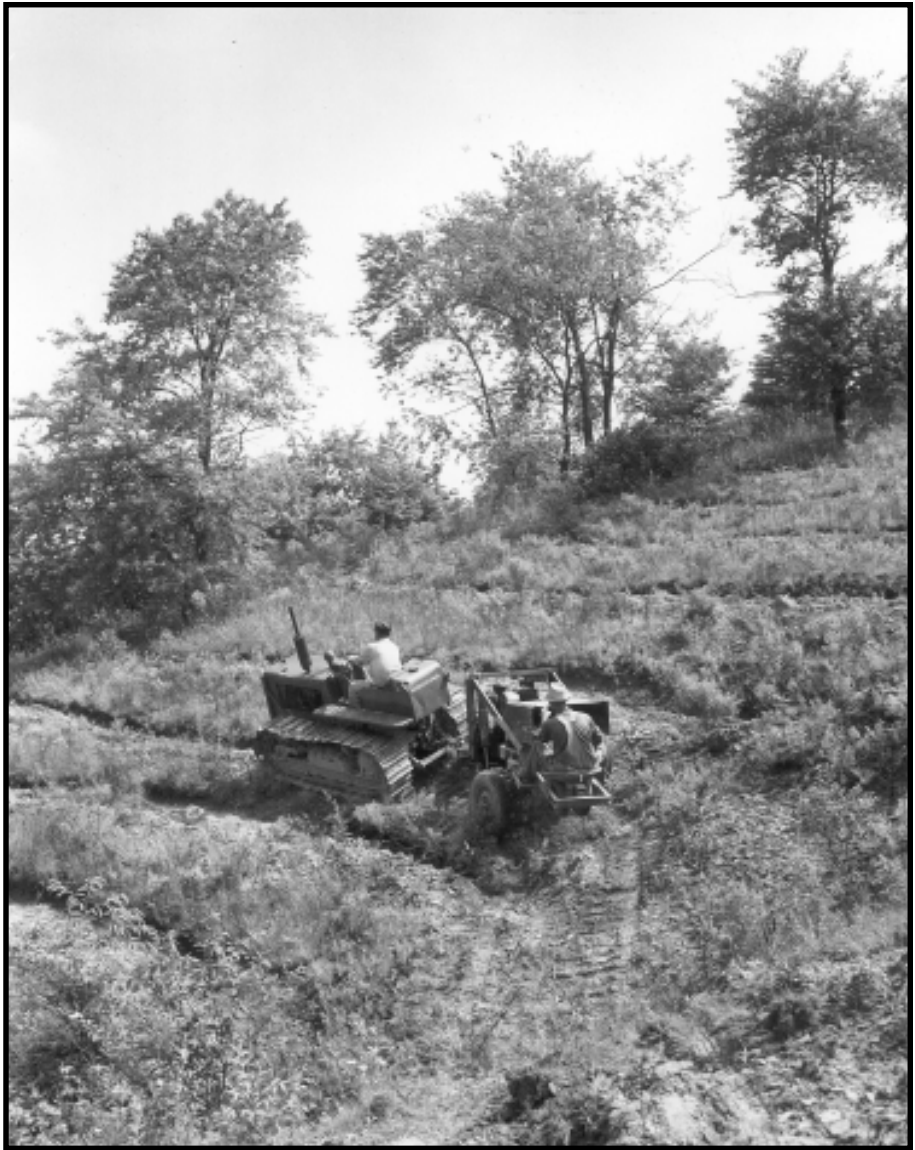
The Great Flood of 1913 claimed nearly 500 lives in Ohio and caused more than \$300 million in property damage. In the Muskingum River Basin drainage area alone, 11 people died and millions of dollars of property damage occurred. But the story can go back even further.

In the 1800s early settlers came to the Muskingum River Valley for the abundance of natural resources, dense forests and excellent crop soil. As trees were cleared away, the land's natural protection was destroyed, creating soil erosion and uncontrolled water runoff. These factors contributed to a number of major floods during the 1800s, causing widespread property damage and loss of life.

The single greatest flood disaster followed in 1913, raising the awareness of state residents to the need for reliable flood protection and reduction.

The Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District (MWCD) was born, nurtured and continues today from those identified needs.

MWCD was created in 1933 under Ohio Law as a separate political subdivision. The district encompasses 20 percent of the state including all or portions of 18 counties: Ashland, Belmont, Carroll, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Richland, Stark, Summit, Tuscarawas, Washington and Wayne.



Following construction of the system of reservoirs and dams, the MWCD began a program to reduce erosion and improve water quality in the reservoirs by planting millions of trees.

By its original plan, MWCD was responsible for raising funds and planning, building and administering flood reduction and water conservation projects. The federal government announced availability of funds to construct the necessary reservoirs and the MWCD joined forces with federal and state governments to accomplish the work. By 1938, the construction of 13 earthen dams and one concrete dam was complete.

In 1939, the Federal Flood Control Act transferred flood control operations to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. MWCD remains responsible for conservation and recreation on its lands and lakes.

Each of the 14 MWCD reservoirs connects with the Muskingum River, which was the foundation for the name Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District. The 10 permanent reservoirs



Bryce C. Browning

are Atwood, Beach City, Charles Mill, Clendening, Leesville, Piedmont, Pleasant Hill, Seneca, Tappan and Wills Creek. Bolivar, Dover, Mohawk and Mohicanville dams impound water only in times of high water.

The headquarters of MWCD is located in New Philadelphia and the Conservancy District's staff is guided by a Board of Directors. The members of the Board are appointed by the Conservancy Court, which is made up of one elected common pleas court judge from each of the 18 counties.

Over the years, the success of the MWCD has been the subject of study throughout the United States and in some foreign countries. At the core of this success are four basic policies adopted by the first Board of Directors:

- 1) The MWCD would pay real estate taxes to the various counties on land not dedicated to public use. For the first 29 years, taxes were paid on all Conservancy District lands. Since then, taxes have been paid on lands not used strictly

for public purposes. In all, the total has been well over \$5 million.

- 2) The MWCD would operate on a minimum of tax income.
- 3) The MWCD would make its lands and waters available to the public for fishing, swimming, boating, camping, picnicking and other outdoor activities.
- 4) The MWCD would not do the same work as any other state or federal government agency. It's a successful policy that encourages the MWCD to combine the resources and efforts of some 13 state and federal agencies into MWCD programs and plans.

The value of the Conservancy District's capital investments during the first six decades approached \$25

million, and the annual recreation benefits exceeded \$65 million. All this has been firmly established on a self-sustaining basis – paid through visitors' fees, commercial and residential leases, contracts for services provided to other public agencies, self-liquidating bonds and occasional federal and state grants.

The MWCD's system of dams and reservoirs, operated in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, has tamed the watershed and built beautiful lakes that receive millions of visitors each year. MWCD has developed marinas, campgrounds, boat launch ramps, picnic areas and leased residential sites, which provide visitors with a variety of ways to enjoy the outdoors.



The construction of the system of reservoirs and dams in the Muskingum River Watershed reduces the effects of flooding and has had a positive impact on economic development.

Introduction

The idea holds water.

The original development of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District challenged the original MWCD administration and staff to create and execute a plan for flood reduction and improved water conservation in the Muskingum River Watershed.

Hence, the idea holds water.

More than 70 years later, the challenge is to properly maintain and improve upon that plan.

The MWCD is focused on the development of projects that will maintain and enhance the aging system of reservoirs and dams in the Muskingum River Basin.

The Amendment to the Official Plan of the MWCD, adopted in 2005, will be the basis for the work to be completed. Funding for the \$270 million plan will be from a proposed assessment of owners of property in the MWCD. Ohio law outlines the process to be followed.

“This is an historic period for our conservancy district,” said John M. Hoopingarner, MWCD executive director/secretary. “Our staff has devoted more than three years working on this process and communicating the need for this watershed initiative to public officials, business leaders and property owners throughout the region.

“We are nearing the implementation of the plan, which will allow us to reconfigure our operations to focus on our core mission of flood reduction and water conservation.”

MWCD estimates the assessment will generate more than \$11 million annu-



Flood conditions at Mohawk Reservoir (2005) — Besides partnering with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for dam safety projects, the MWCD also will support other programs in the watershed that protect the benefits of flood reduction and water conservation generated by the performance of the system of reservoirs and dams. The system temporarily stores floodwaters for safe release downstream to protect people and property, and provides water for public uses.

ally for projects including repairs to dams, sediment removal, shoreline stabilization, water quality improvement and a coordinated watershed management approach to future maintenance projects – the last item being key to its success.

“Our forefathers had the wisdom and vision to conceive this system. We must have the wisdom and vision to protect it.” Mark Kessinger, project manager of the Huntington District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

A 12-agency task force, including state and federal agencies, has identified a long list of maintenance needs produced by age, changing times and unanticipated demands, that threaten

flood protection, water quality, public safety and economic growth in the watershed.

“Our forefathers had the wisdom and vision to conceive this system. We must have the wisdom and vision to protect it,” said Mark Kessinger, project manager for the Huntington (West Virginia) District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and a member of the task force.

The operation of this system of dams and reservoirs exemplifies the strong and vital partnership between the MWCD, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and a variety of state, local and private entities. A 1998 economic impact study revealed that 7,500 jobs were related to the system’s facilities, with an annual total payroll for reservoir-related jobs at \$68 million, and tax revenues generated by reservoir facilities of \$11.5 million.

With dam safety being a major concern, the MWCD will concentrate its maintenance effort on projects that will assure the optimum performance of these structures, especially in times of flooding. Although the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has owned and operated the original 14 dams since 1939, it is required by the federal government to secure a local sponsor to pay for a portion of the cost of repairs and maintenance.

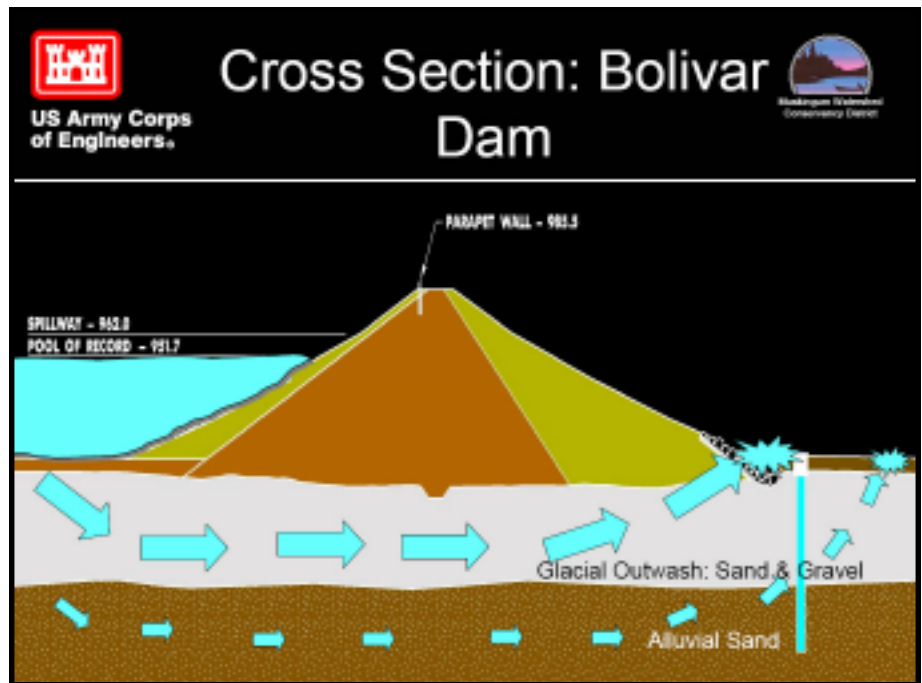
Given the fact that MWCD owns and operates more than 54,000 acres of reservoir area in coordination with these U.S. Army Corps of Engineers dams, it has committed its resources to the cause, Hoopingartner said. But the commitment of the MWCD to provide the sponsor share of the cost to repair and maintain the dams alone will not be sufficient to address the needs within the watershed system.

“We must also address erosion, shoreline stabilization and the impacts of storm water runoff as it affects this system of dams and reservoirs,” said Richard A. Bible, MWCD chief engineer. “The dams alone will do us no good if we do not have the storage capacity in the reservoirs.”

In addition, storm water runoff from highly developed urban areas, especially to the north of the dams and reservoirs in the Tuscarawas and Walhonding river watersheds are impacting the ability of the system to operate at optimum performance.

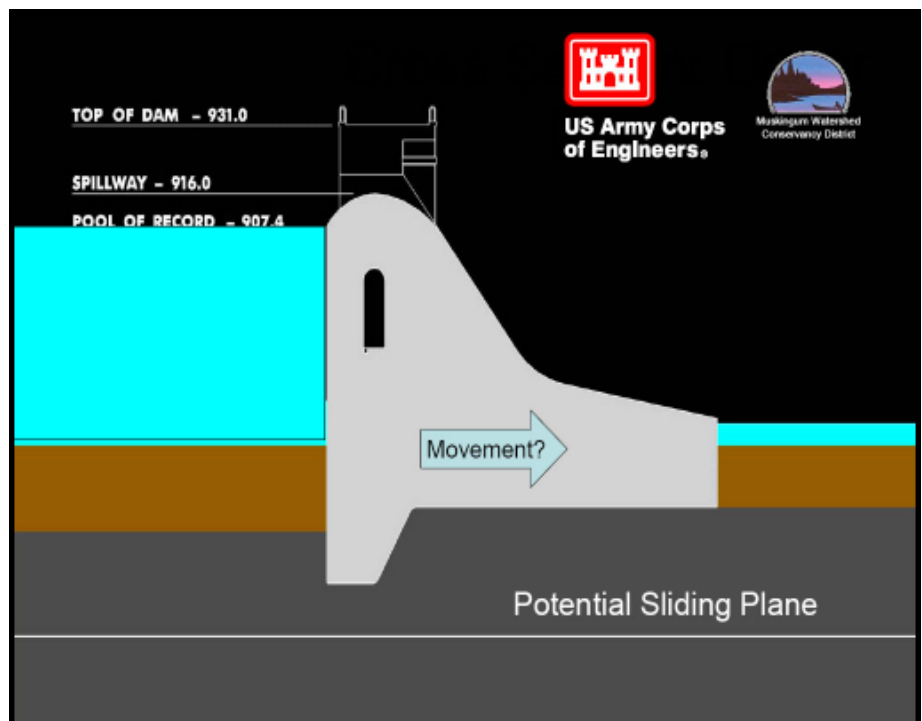
“This initiative will allow the MWCD and its partners to address these issues on a watershed basis, thereby having the greatest impact on the system as a whole,” Bible said.

Since its inception, this system of dams and reservoirs has prevented billions of dollars worth of potential property damage from flooding, according to



Graphic courtesy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

The schematics shown above and below are for improvement projects at Dover and Bolivar dams. Projects to meet safety standards at several dams in the Muskingum River Watershed are planned in upcoming years. The MWCD has pledged to serve as the non-federal local sponsor of the projects, assisting the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.



Graphic courtesy of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

federal sources. The MWCD plans to address maintenance needs on a watershed basis that will allow for continued protection from flooding as well as the creation of much needed jobs as a result of the implementation of projects and the enhancement of economic development in the region.

“The partnering opportunities identified in this plan could easily multiply the benefits from each MWCD dollar by as much as 16 to 1, according to an independent benefits analysis conducted by Jack Fawcett Associates,” emphasized Hoopingarner.

If the proposed assessment is approved, funds collected may only be used for maintenance and cannot be used to fund recreation projects.

“This assures that 100 percent of the money will be dedicated to maintaining the system on a watershed basis,” Hoopingarner stressed.

Many major media outlets in the region, along with others, have endorsed the plan of work and assessment program.

Details are available by visiting www.mwcd.org on the Internet.

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Facts about the MWCD and the Assessment Program

Misconception: “The MWCD has nothing to do with flood control and tells the Corps of Engineers when to release water to improve boating and camping.”

The Facts: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) and the MWCD have a recognized partnership for flood reduction and water conservation in the Muskingum River Watershed. The USACE owns and operates the dams for the federal government, and MWCD manages the reservoirs for storage of floodwaters and water conservation. The USACE operates the dams under a federally adopted management plan and MWCD has no jurisdiction over water storage and release.

**MWCD
ORGANIZATIONAL
STRUCTURE**

**Conservancy
Court**

Judges from the Court of Common Pleas from the 18 counties of jurisdiction.

Board of Directors

5 members appointed by Conservancy Court and limited to two five-year terms.

Board of Appraisers

3 members appointed by the Conservancy Court.

**Development
Advisory Committee**

18 members appointed by the Board of Directors to act in an advisory capacity to the Board and staff.

Legal Counsel

Miller & Kyler Law Firm

Executive Director

John M. Hoopingarner

Oversees Human Resources Coordinator, Public Information Officer, Safety Coordinator, and Development Coordinator, and support staff

Executive Management

James B. Cugliari

Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer

Oversees Finance Staff of Accountant, Systems Coordinator, and support staff

Richard A. Bible, P.E.

Chief Engineer

Oversees GIS Specialist, Engineering Staff and Chippewa Watershed Specialist

Mark A. Jukich

Manager of Operations

Oversees Natural Resources Administrator and support staff; Parks Coordinator/Chief Ranger, Park Superintendents and support staff

Conservancy Court

Chapter 6101 of the Ohio Revised Code provides that the Conservancy Court, comprised of one common pleas court judge from each county in the Conservancy District, shall be vested with the power to exercise jurisdiction over the Conservancy District, including the appointment of the Board of Directors.

The Court of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District, which traditionally meets annually on the second Saturday of June, held three sessions during 2006 – on January 21, February 25 and June 10. All three sessions were held in the Tuscarawas County Courthouse at New Philadelphia. The Honorable William J. Martin (Carroll County) presided over the sessions.

At the January 21 session, the Court reviewed the progress the MWCD had made toward implementation of a proposed assessment of property owners to fund the maintenance and improvement work in the Amendment to the Official Plan of the MWCD, which was approved by the Court in 2005. The Court ordered the MWCD to hold a public meeting and accept comments about the proposed assessment methodology as developed by the MWCD Board of Directors.

The Court approved the assessment methodology during its February 25 session, after reviewing the entire proposal developed by the MWCD Board of Appraisers and comments from the general public who attended meetings held February 16 in New Philadelphia.

During the June 10 session, pursuant to law, the 2005 Annual Report of Operations of the MWCD was submitted to the Court for review and approval, along with reports of subdistricts and a list of transfers of funds.

The Court also appointed David Parham of Carroll County to a five-year term on the MWCD Board of Directors. Parham replaced Joanne Limbach of New Philadelphia, who served the maximum two five-year terms on the Board and was not eligible for reappointment.

Members of the MWCD Board of Directors are appointed by the judges of the Conservancy Court to oversee the operations and business affairs of the Conservancy District.

The Court also reappointed Mark J. Waltz of Dover to a new five-year term on the MWCD Board of Appraisers.

The Board of Appraisers is a three-member panel that approves the methodology for determining assessments of the MWCD, based on the relative benefits and damages to property owners.

Board of Directors

Ohio law mandates that the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District Board of Directors consist of five members appointed by the Conservancy Court. The Board is empowered to handle all of the items necessary or incident to the fulfillment of the purposes for which the Conservancy District was established.

Members of the Board of Directors as of December 31, 2006, were:

- 1) Steve Kokovich of New Concord, term expires June 3, 2008 (Board President)
- 2) Thomas L. Tribbie of Cambridge, term expires July 18, 2009 (Board Vice President)
- 3) David E. Brightbill of Lower Salem, term expires July 18, 2007
- 4) Harry C. Horstman of Scio, term expires June 3, 2010
- 5) David Parham of the Atwood Lake area, term expires June 8, 2011

Meetings of the Board of Directors are open public sessions and conducted in accordance with the public meetings laws as required by the Ohio Revised Code. Ten meetings were held during 2006 at various locations, along with a brief session at the annual Conservancy Court session June 10. Meetings routinely are held on the third Friday of each month and begin at 9:00 a.m.

Meetings of the Board were held in 2006 on the following dates and locations:

- January 20, New Philadelphia City Council chambers
- February 17, Lighthouse Bistro, Atwood Lake Boats Marina West
- March 17, McDonald Marlite Center, New Philadelphia
- May 19, JIM's Place, New Philadelphia
- June 10, Conservancy Court at Tuscarawas County Courthouse
- July 21, Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center
- August 22, Hampton Inn, New Philadelphia
- September 22, Buckeye Trail Association Barn, Tappan Reservoir
- October 20, Marietta College
- November 17, Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center
- December 15, Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center

Steve Kokovich served as president of the Board during 2006 while Thomas L. Tribbie was vice president. Minutes of all meetings are on file in the MWCD's main office at New Philadelphia.

David E. Brightbill

- Appointed to the MWCD Board of Directors on June 11, 1994, as a result of the passage of Ohio House Bill 450, which expanded the Board from three to five members
- Executive Director of the Washington-Morgan Community Action Agency headquartered at Marietta
- Member of the Board of Directors of the Washington County Community Improvement Corporation
- Graduate of Ohio University with a bachelor's degree in education

For most of his life, David E. Brightbill has been connected to the lakes of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District.

A native of North Central Ohio, he grew up in the area surrounding Charles Mill and Pleasant Hill lakes. For two summers during his college years, he worked at Pleasant Hill Lake as a seasonal employee of the Conservancy District.



*David E. Brightbill
Board Member*



*Harry C. Horstman
Board Member*



*Steve Kokovich
President of the Board*

Following his college graduation, Brightbill worked for more than 20 years in an office beside the Ohio River.

Harry C. Horstman

- Appointed to the MWCD Board of Directors on June 8, 2002, to fill vacancy created by retirement of Joseph J. Sommer of North Canton
- Member and past chairman of MWCD Development Advisory Committee
- Inaugural member of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy Foundation, Inc., Board of Trustees
- Camp manager for the United Methodist Church's Camp Aldersgate on property leased from the MWCD at Leesville Lake, 1965-99
- Commodore of Atwood Yacht Club, 2002
- Member and former chairman of the Conotton Creek Trail development committee
- Spent 34 years as a teacher and administrator in school districts in Carroll, Harrison and Tuscarawas counties, retiring in 1991
- Has served on the boards and/or held memberships in numerous area and regional civic and community organizations
- Graduate of Ohio University with a bachelor's degree in education and Kent State University with vocational director's certification

Harry Horstman has been associated with the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District for nearly 40 years. As the former manager of Camp Aldersgate on Leesville Lake for 35 years, Horstman spent his summers leading activities for youths and adults.

Upon his retirement as an educator, Horstman has continued his work with the MWCD in various capacities, including as a charter member of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy Foundation, Inc., Board of Trustees.

Steve Kokovich

- Appointed to the MWCD Board of Directors on June 14, 2003, to fill vacancy created by fulfillment of two-term service by Frederic J. Grant III of Zanesville
- Administrator and member of the education department faculty at Muskingum College
- Member of New Concord Village Council for many years
- Former member of the board of directors for the John and Annie Glenn Historical Site at New Concord
- Active in development of a system of walking trails and community lake for New Concord area. Also involved in the National Road historical and tourism effort
- Graduate of Muskingum College, Ohio State University and Ohio University

Steve Kokovich may spend most of his days at Muskingum College, but he hardly is a stranger to the facilities of the MWCD. The Harrison County native grew up as a regular visitor to Clendening, Piedmont, Seneca and Tappan lakes in the region.

Kokovich has taught at Muskingum College since 1976.

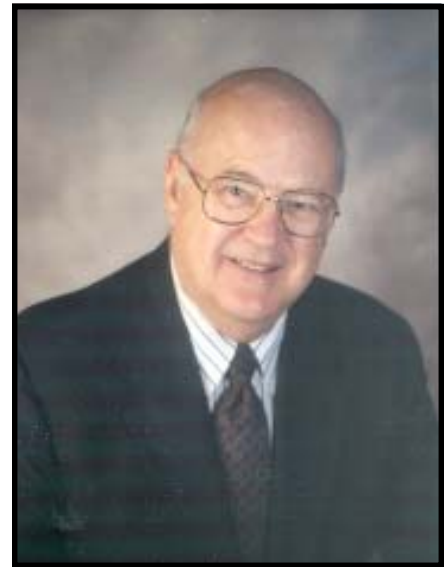


*David L. Parham
Board Member*

David L. Parham

- Appointed to the MWCD Board of Directors on June 10, 2006, to fill vacancy created by fulfillment of two-term service by Joanne Limbach of New Philadelphia
- Past chairman (2004) and member of MWCD Development Advisory Committee, 2002-06
- Retired partner from legal firm Thompson Hine, LLP, in Cleveland, OH
- Former member of Shaker Heights City Council
- President, chairman and/or member of numerous advisory boards and planning committees in community
- Air Force veteran; held the rank of captain
- Graduate of Case Institute of Technology, University of Dayton and Case Western Reserve University School of Law

David Parham, a cottage site lessee on MWCD-owned property at Atwood Lake, has held numerous positions of leadership in his professional and civic careers. He continues as a national officer of the Federal Bar Association. With the MWCD, Parham has served as the chairman of the Conservancy District's Development Advisory Committee and was appointed to the Board of Directors in June 2006.



*Thomas L. Tribbie
Vice President of the Board*

Thomas L. Tribbie

- Appointed to the MWCD Board of Directors on June 12, 2004, to fill vacancy created by fulfillment of two-term service by Thomas A. Depler of Shelby
- Partner in legal firm Tribbie, Scott, Plummer and Padden at Cambridge since 1952
- Former prosecuting attorney for Guernsey County, 1960-68
- Former president of Board of Trustees for Southeastern Ohio Regional Medical Center
- Former chief executive officer for Valley of Cambridge Scottish Rite Masons
- Former member of Board of Directors of National City Bank
- Graduate of Ohio State University with bachelor's and law degrees

The Conservancy Court appointed Thomas L. Tribbie to the MWCD Board of Directors in June 2004. The Cambridge resident is very familiar with Seneca Lake and its facilities.

Board of Appraisers

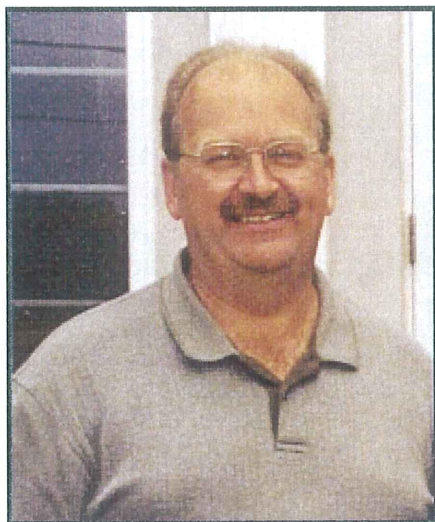
The Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District's Board of Appraisers is a three-member panel that approves the methodology for determining assessments of the MWCD, based on the relative benefits/damages to property owners.

The board members, who are appointed by the Conservancy Court and serve staggered terms, also make recommendations to the Board of Directors on property sales and acquisitions based on presentations by MWCD staff.

Meetings of the Board of Appraisers are open public sessions and conducted in accordance with the public meetings laws as required by the Ohio Revised



*James Navratil
Vice Chairman, Board of Appraisers*



Thomas A. Roe
Chairman, Board of Appraisers

Code. Ten meetings were held during 2006 at various locations, including a brief session at the Conservancy Court session held February 25.

Meetings of the Board of Appraisers in 2006 were held on the following dates and locations:

- January 6, New Philadelphia City Council chambers
- January 18, New Philadelphia City Council chambers
- February 8, New Philadelphia City Council chambers
- February 16, McDonald Marlite Center, New Philadelphia
- February 25, Conservancy Court at Tuscarawas County Courthouse
- May 25, Hampton Inn, New Philadelphia
- August 3, Holiday Inn, New Philadelphia
- September 29, Wayne County administration offices, Wooster
- November 3, Wayne County administration offices, Wooster
- December 8, Wayne County administration offices, Wooster

Members of the Board of Appraisers as of December 31, 2006, were as follows:

- 1) James Navratil of Medina, term expires July 18, 2008
- 2) Thomas A. Roe of Wooster, term expires June 3, 2010
- 3) Mark J. Waltz of Dover, term expires July 14, 2008

Thomas A. Roe served as chairman of the Board of Appraisers in 2006. Minutes of all meetings are on file in the MWCD's main office at New Philadelphia.

After concentrating on the readjustment of the appraisal of benefits for the Chippewa Subdistrict for much of the past few years, the MWCD Board of Appraisers has turned its focus beginning in 2005 to the readjustment of the appraisal of benefits for the Conservancy District.

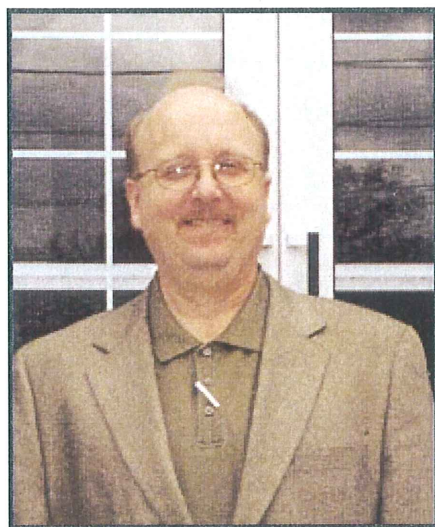
Four lead general course for MWCD

According to Ohio law, the Court of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District exercises jurisdiction over the district, including the appointment of the Board of Directors.

The day-to-day operations and business of the Conservancy District primarily are handled by the full-time and part-time MWCD staff, under the leadership of four administrators. John M. Hoopingarner is the executive director/secretary; Richard A. Bible, P.E., is the chief engineer; James B. Cugliari is the chief financial officer/treasurer; and Mark A. Jukich is the manager of operations.

John M. Hoopingarner

- Appointed to position September 1, 1989, by the Board of Directors.
- Prior to appointment was in private law practice for 10 years in New Philadelphia.
- Served as chief counsel to MWCD from 1986-89 and associate legal counsel from 1979-86.
- Tuscarawas County native also served as instructor of real estate law at Kent State University, 1985-89.



Mark J. Waltz
Member, Board of Appraisers

- Graduate of Muskingum College (bachelor's degree, 1976) and Ohio Northern University College of Law (juris doctor, 1979).
- Member of numerous professional and social boards, associations and organizations.
- Resides in Dover with wife and has two adult children.

As the executive director/secretary, John M. Hoopingarner holds what generally can be considered the most visible position in the MWCD organization. He routinely serves as the source of official news and information from the Conservancy District, actively participating in public relations and civic affairs as the representative of the MWCD.

Only the agency's third chief executive, following Bryce C. Browning and Raymond Eichel, Hoopingarner performs a mix of mandated and generally expected duties on a daily, weekly and yearly basis. He is expected to perform the responsibilities of secretary of the conservancy district as detailed by law in the Ohio Revised code Chapter 6101 and executive director in accordance with the bylaws of the MWCD. He also advises the Board of Directors and Conservancy Court on such matters.

Hoopingarner also directly supervises the performance of several MWCD staff members, including the manager of operations, chief engineer and chief financial officer/treasurer. His role also is to administer and coordinate the development of Conservancy District policies, rules and regulations.

Richard A. Bible, P.E.

- Appointed to position April 17, 1995.
- Prior to MWCD appointment, was in private industry for 25 years - 21 years at W.E. Quicksall and Associates of New Philadelphia as design engineer, project engineer and vice president; and four years at Ben Cookson and Associates of New Philadelphia as vice president.
- Served as acting chief engineer for the MWCD for two years while with Quicksall.
- Past president of Tuscarawas Valley Society of Engineers and a member of Ohio Society of Engineers.
- Graduate of Tri-State University in 1970 with a bachelor's degree in civil engineering. Registered professional engineer in states of Ohio and Indiana.
- Member of numerous professional and social boards, associations and organizations.
- Tuscarawas County native resides in New Philadelphia with wife, has two adult children. Graduate of New Philadelphia High School.

Richard A. Bible's responsibilities as chief engineer for the MWCD also are rooted in Ohio law, but have expanded well beyond those legal stipulations to serve the many facets of the Conservancy District's reach.

Bible performs the work of chief engineer as prescribed by law in Chapter 6101 of the Ohio Revised Code and advises the executive director/secretary and



*John M. Hoopingarner
Executive Director/Secretary*



*Richard A. Bible, P.E.
Chief Engineer*



*James B. Cugliari
Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer*

Board of Directors on these items. Bible provides general supervision of operations as superintendent of all the works and improvements of the Conservancy District and its subdistricts.

Bible also is responsible for MWCD communication with agencies of government such as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Ohio Department of Transportation, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and others.

James B. Cugliari

- Appointed to office of treasurer April 17, 1995.
- Began career with MWCD in December 1985 as assistant auditor/systems manager
- Prior to employment with Conservancy District, served as an auditor for the Auditor of State's Office for three years
- Graduate of Marietta College in 1982 with a bachelor's degree in accounting
- Tuscarawas County native graduated from Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School
- Member of numerous professional, community and social organizations and activities
- Resides in Dover with wife and four children

Along with the executive director/secretary, manager of operations, and chief engineer, the position of chief financial officer/treasurer of a conservancy district in Ohio is provided for and has some mandated responsibilities as detailed in state law.

In his position as chief financial officer/treasurer of the MWCD, James B. Cugliari must perform those functions as well as other duties as prescribed by the Conservancy District. Cugliari manages and directs the finances of the MWCD, including planning, procurement and investment of funds; preparation of the annual budget; conducting audit functions; maintenance of all personnel records; long-range forecasting; and the insurance activities for the organization. He also advises the executive director/secretary and Board of Directors on these matters.

Cugliari prepares monthly and annual financial statements and analyzes financial data to determine the fiscal position of the MWCD and subdistricts, along with preparing forecasts of the future financial position and budget requirements of the Conservancy District. He oversees internal audit functions, coordinates the work of outside auditors and authorizes the procedures for the protection and custody of all funds.

His role also involves managing and supervising the work to be performed by Conservancy District employees, contractors, subcontractors and others relative to the finances of the MWCD. He oversees a staff consisting of an accountant, computer systems coordinator and two accounting clerks.



*Mark A. Jukich, C.F.
Manager of Operations*

Mark A. Jukich

- Appointed to position April 23, 2004
- Began career with MWCD in May 1975 as a staff member in the former Land and Forestry Department
- Prior to employment with Conservancy District, held positions with an Arkansas company and the Timken Company at Canton
- Graduate of University of Minnesota with a bachelor's degree in forest resources development
- Stark County native graduated from Perry High School
- Member of the Society of American Foresters as a certified forester
- Resides in Stark County with wife and has an adult daughter

As the manager of operations, Mark A. Jukich oversees all day-to-day activities of the various operations and programs of the Conservancy District.

In his position, Jukich is responsible for many of the revenue-generating operations in the MWCD, including the natural resources programs and the business operations of the MWCD's recreation programs. Jukich manages and directs the short-term and long-range development of these programs, including planning, budget development and forecasting, personnel and related functions.

Employed for most of his career with the MWCD in the land, conservation and natural resources management areas, Jukich spent many years overseeing the stewardship of the Conservancy District's resources.

Personnel

Staff from the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District work at several locations and in numerous positions in fulfilling the mission and operations of the Conservancy District. The MWCD employs nearly 450 people during the summer months when its recreational facilities are in peak demand. This includes part-time and seasonal status employees. The MWCD has about 100 full-time employees.

The following employees received special recognition for their years of service through 2006.

5 years

Daniel Atterholt, Charles Mill Lake Park
Robert Alan Edwards, Engineering Group

10 years

Peggy May, Natural Resources Group
Susan Williams, Pleasant Hill Lake Park

15 years

Scott Barnhart, Operations: Parks Group

20 years

Donnie Borland, Natural Resources Group
Jayne Ann Fankhauser, Finance Group

Facts about the MWCD and the Assessment Program

“Why are churches, schools and other traditionally tax-exempt parcels included in this assessment?”

The MWCD must assess all parcels of property in its jurisdiction, regardless of their ownership and how they are used. The MWCD Board of Appraisers, which by law develops the methodology of assessments for conservancy districts, has no legal authority to exempt churches and schools. The only property types that have been exempted from all assessments are those that have received exemption through the Ohio Revised Code as approved by the Ohio General Assembly. There are 17 classes of properties that have received exemptions from assessments through the years. Churches and schools are not included in those property classes.

25 years

Mark Lashley, Seneca Lake Park

MWCD Facts

Under the stewardship of Bryce C. Browning, the visionary founder and first secretary-treasurer of the MWCD, the district was launched in 1933 with a \$2-million state grant and \$22 million in federal funds. This was an incredible amount of money during the post-Depression era, but the concept was universally appealing because of its potential to solve a myriad of problems while creating hundreds of needed jobs.

Almost immediately, the MWCD returned measurable returns on the investment. The serious threat of widespread imminent flooding was relieved, and communities were presented with new sources of water. Living environments improved dramatically, and local economies later discovered the economic benefits of recreation and tourism. At the same time, the area became attractive to businesses and industries, lured by the region's high quality of life, ample natural resources and a population of potential workers.

Instead of declining, property values throughout the 18 counties began a rise as a result of the MWCD's positive impact. Today, after more than 70 years, the MWCD impact continues to pay compounding benefits, constantly re-establishing this region of Ohio as a premiere place to live and work.

30 years

Mark Swiger, Natural Resources Group

A complete listing of employees of the Conservancy District as of December 31, 2006, is located on pages 80-81 of this report.

Development Advisory Committee

Created by the MWCD Board of Directors in 1992, the 18-member Development Advisory Committee (DAC) provides an organized public support system for responsive and effective economic development, conservation and recreation programs.

DAC members are appointed by the Board of Directors and serve staggered three-year terms.

Norman L. Blanchard served as chairman of the DAC during 2006, and William J. Taus was vice chair. The DAC held four meetings during 2006:

- January 27 – New Philadelphia City Council chambers
- April 28 – McDonald Marlite Center, New Philadelphia
- July 28 – JIM's Place, New Philadelphia
- October 27 – Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center

Through their quarterly and subcommittee and work group meetings, DAC members are updated about MWCD projects and operations. DAC members also present items as assigned for discussion and possible action by the MWCD Board of Directors.

Members of the DAC as of December 31, 2006, including their county of residence, term and ties to the Conservancy District, were the following:

- **Richard L. Armstrong** – Carroll County – 2007 – Armstrong, a cottage site lessee who resides at Leesville Lake, is the retired former commissioner of the Ohio High School Athletic Association.
- **Richard Bassetti** – Tuscarawas County – 2006 – Bassetti, a retired educator who resides at New Philadelphia, has visited the MWCD lakes for many years and is a former MWCD lake ranger.
- **Norman L. Blanchard** – Guernsey County – 2006 – Blanchard, a retired educator and school administrator who is a cottage site lessee at Seneca Lake, is the executive director of the Cambridge-Guernsey County Community Improvement Corporation.
- **Todd A. Davis** - Carroll County - 2008 – Davis the director of FFA Camp Muskingum located on Leesville Lake. A former Ohio Farm Bureau coordinator, Davis directs the operations of the year-round camp.
- **Myron E. Delaney** – Richland County – 2007 – Delaney is a retired State Farm Insurance agent and a fisherman and hunter at Charles Mill and Pleasant Hill lakes.

- **Faye A. Heston** - Stark County - 2006 - Heston, who has served on the boards of numerous civic and community improvement groups in northern Ohio, also leases a cottage site at Atwood Lake.
- **Kevin Keffer** – Tuscarawas County - 2008 – Keffer is an educator who spent several years as a lake ranger for the MWCD. Currently the athletic director at Dover High School, Keffer is familiar with numerous MWCD reservoirs.
- **F. Scott O'Donnell** – Lorain County – 2007 – O'Donnell is superintendent of the financial institutions for the Ohio Department of Commerce and has more than 20 years experience in the banking industry in various executive capacities.
- **Richard J. Pryce** – Stark County – 2007 – Pryce is the retired executive director of the Aultman Health Foundation, which includes the operation of Aultman Hospital at Canton.
- **Denny Roudebush** – Carroll County – 2008 – Roudebush, a Carrollton resident, is a boater on Atwood Lake and the director of marketing for the Carroll Electrical Cooperative Inc.
- **James A. Rowe** – Tuscarawas County – 2008 – Rowe is a dairy farmer in northern Tuscarawas County. He is a member of the Ohio Farm Bureau.
- **Ronald P. Sherrer** - Ashland County - 2006 – Sherrer, a Toledo resident who has a cottage site at Pleasant Hill Lake, is retired after a career in sales and management.
- **William J. Taus** – Summit County – 2007 – Taus, a cottage site lessee at Charles Mill Lake and president of Furnace Technology Inc. of Akron, designs and services equipment for facilities throughout the United States, Canada and Mexico.
- **Mark E. Tondra** – Harrison County – 2007 – A resident of the Tappan Lake area, Tondra's family also owns property near Leesville Lake. He is a professional engineer.
- **Roy Wilson** – Tuscarawas County – 2007 – Wilson has taught sailing on Atwood Lake for many years and docks a boat at Seneca Lake. He is the former owner of Hi-tech Test Technology Inc. at Bolivar.
- **Bonnie Wissler** - Mt. Lebanon, Pa. - 2008 - Wissler, whose late husband Regis also previously served on the DAC, is a resident of the Mt. Lebanon, Pa., area and a seasonal camper at Seneca Lake Park.
- **Lucinda Zeiher** – Belmont County – 2006 – Zeiher, a schoolteacher in the Martins Ferry School District, spends summers camping and fishing at Piedmont Lake. She has received Huskie Muskie awards for catching muskellunge of 42 inches or greater in length.

(One seat on the DAC was vacant as of December 31, 2006).

Facts about the MWCD and the Assessment Program

Misconception: “MWCD is only interested in recreation and will use the money to build bigger campgrounds and operate Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center.”

Fact: Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 6101.53, money collected from the maintenance assessment cannot be used for any recreational projects. The assessment funds will be audited by the Auditor of the State of Ohio and, as with the MWCD budget, are open for public inspection at any time.

MWCD continues

development of maintenance plan

Implementation of the Amendment to the Official Plan of the MWCD, adopted in 2005, took some giant steps forward in 2006.

By the end of 2006, the MWCD announced that plans called for projects related to the Amendment to the Official Plan to be started in 2008.

MWCD Facts

In June 2005, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers began evaluating its dams with known dam safety concerns to develop relative ratings for human and economic risk. This evaluation is being used to help shape the Corps' budget decisions regarding dam infrastructure improvements.

Over 60 dams were evaluated nationwide and four Muskingum projects ranked in the top 20:

Mohawk
Dover
Bolivar
Beach City

Statistics according to a National Dam Safety Risk Analysis performed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Early in 2006, the MWCD Board of Appraisers finalized its assessment methodology to guide the process for collecting the funds to implement the projects detailed in the Amendment to the Official Plan. After an initial review by the Conservancy Court and after receiving comments from members of the public during two public hearings held on February 16 as ordered by the Conservancy Court, the judges of the Conservancy Court approved the methodology on February 25.

In early March 2006, the Board of Appraisers filed the Conservancy Appraisal Record (CAR) reporting future benefits have been appraised at \$2.5 billion in the conservancy district region.

The filing is required by Ohio law as part of the process to generate funding for the \$270 million plan to maintain and improve flood reduction and water conservation benefits in the Muskingum River Watershed.

The CAR, which describes all of the parcels affected, the amount of benefits appraised and the amount of estimated yearly assessments, was filed with the Conservancy Court Clerk in the office of the Tuscarawas County Clerk of Courts. Copies of the CAR for each affected county also were placed on file in the offices of the clerk of courts of Ashland, Belmont, Carroll, Coshocton, Guernsey, Harrison, Holmes, Knox, Licking, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Richland, Stark, Summit, Tuscarawas, Washington and Wayne counties.

A website portal for viewing of the same information contained in the hardbound CAR also was developed and included on the website www.mwcd.org.

The CAR confirmed the annual assessment cost for residential, agricultural and vacant parcels of property to be \$12, while the benefits appraised for these parcels is more than \$2,000. Other types of property will pay up to \$132 per acre.

“The Board of Appraisers has concluded that the benefits from this assessment of the MWCD far exceed the cost to owners of property in the watershed,” said Thomas Roe, president of the MWCD Board of Appraisers. “In plain terms, for each \$12 assessment, property owners receive more than \$2,000 in benefits.”

The filing of the appraisal of benefits with the Conservancy Court also provided parcel owners with an opportunity to object to their individual benefit appraisal and estimated assessment, as provided for in Ohio law.

By the legal deadline, more than 5,000 exceptions were filed with the Conservancy Court. Hearings on the exceptions were scheduled and began later in the year and decisions on all of the filed cases were expected to be completed early in 2007.

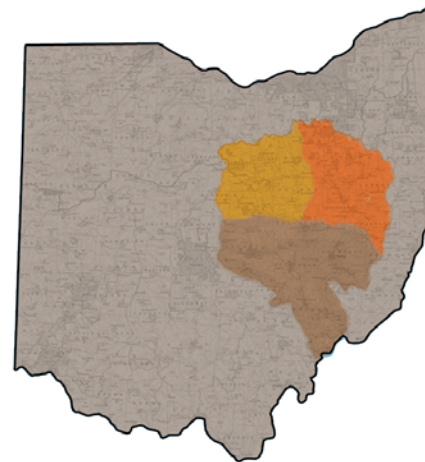
Parcel owners who did not file an exception by the deadline and/or had questions about the benefits and assessments proposed for their properties, also were provided with an opportunity to receive an administrative review of their concerns by the MWCD. Through a policy adopted by the Board of Appraisers, the MWCD pledged to work with parcel owners to provide accurate assessment and benefit calculations for their properties.

“Our goal is a 100-percent accurate Conservancy Appraisal Record,” said John M. Hoopingarner, MWCD executive director/secretary. “Our records must be accurate in order to ensure that owners of property are treated fairly in this process and receive the benefits they deserve from the Amendment to the Official Plan.”

As part of its commitment to provide reliable information about the Amendment to the Official Plan and the assessment process, the MWCD implemented a host of public relations and education efforts.

State legislators heard about the plan for an intensified public information campaign and a pledge from the MWCD to seek final approval of its assessment proposal later than originally planned during a meeting in May at the Statehouse.

**MWCD covers about
20% of the State of Ohio**



Since its inception, the MWCD system of reservoirs and dams has prevented billions of dollars worth of potential property damage from flooding, according to federal government estimates.

At the meeting held by Ohio Senate President Bill M. Harris, legislators from the MWCD region were informed that the Conservancy District agreed that more information is needed by the general public and officials about the MWCD’s \$270-million maintenance and improvement plan for the reservoirs and dams in the Muskingum River Basin.

Hoopingarner provided details and answered questions about the MWCD, the planned maintenance and improvement projects and the details about the proposed assessment to be levied on owners of property in the 18-county watershed region to fund the work. Hoopingarner stressed during the two-hour meeting that the MWCD will vigorously work to inform residents of the watershed about the critical needs of the system of 14 reservoirs and dams through a stronger public information effort, promotion of the MWCD’s toll-free hotline and website for questions – (877) 363-8500 and www.mwcd.org – and meetings with public officials and residents to discuss issues.

“We believe these steps will increase public understanding and support of the assessment and will clearly show the necessity of action,” Hoopingarner said. “It will invite and encourage local public input to be involved and participate in the process.”

Two public meetings were held at the McDonald Marlite Center in New Philadelphia on February 16. Photos, top to bottom: 1) a presentation, “The Idea Holds Water” is given by Jim Rozelle of FMSM Engineers; 2) a large crowd is present to learn about the proposed maintenance assessment; 3) the MWCD Board of Appraisers, Legal Counsel, and FMSM Engineers hear public comments; and 4) members of the FMSM and MWCD GIS staffs meet with property owners to answer questions.



“Any additional postponement of the assessment will – at a minimum – threaten our federal funding and could delay the plan to the point where lives and property are unnecessarily put into jeopardy.”

Four of the dams in the system – Beach City, Bolivar, Dover and Mohawk – are in such need of repair that the system cannot be operated at full capacity, Hoopingarner said.

Senator Harris had requested MWCD officials to provide more details about the plan.

MWCD officials have been discussing the plan and developing details of the assessment proposal since 2003, when the Court authorized work to begin.

By June, collection of the proposed assessment had been delayed by one year from its original stated goal of 2007.

Court hearings for the several thousand exceptions filed by property owners affected by the proposed assessments were under way but would extend past the deadline that would allow collection to begin in 2007, said Hoopingarner. About 5,000 exceptions to the Conservancy Appraisal Record had been filed from the estimated 750,000 parcels of property in the MWCD jurisdiction.

“As the number of exceptions grew, we knew it would be a difficult task to comply with our original stated goal of collecting the assessment in 2007, simply because each exceptor has the right to a hearing,” Hoopingarner said.

Hoopingarner stressed that even though collection of funds will not begin until at least 2008, the MWCD is committed to beginning projects in 2007 with any resources that it may have available or be able to provide in partnering and cost-share programs. The projected funds to be collected through the assessment will be used in a similar strategy, Hoopingarner said.

The additional time also will permit the MWCD to update and improve the Conservancy Appraisal Record. Hoopingarner praised officials from all 18 counties where the assessment will be collected for their cooperation and expertise in the process.

“Accuracy is our No. 1 goal with the appraisal record,” Hoopingarner said. “The MWCD has said from the beginning that it wants the assessment record to be as accurate as possible before seeking final approval.”

Since its inception, the MWCD system of reservoirs and dams has prevented billions of dollars worth of potential property damage from flooding, according to federal government estimates. An independent study of the potential benefits of the MWCD maintenance and improvement plan estimates that once enacted, the region will receive about \$2.5 billion in future benefits compared to its initial \$270-million investment. The plan also will lead to the protection and creation of much-needed jobs with contracts enacted with private firms for much of the work.



The Amendment to the Official Plan of the MWCD contains strategies to properly maintain the system of reservoirs and dams. This includes projects throughout the watershed — such as removing snags and debris from streams and tributaries in the watershed — that assist in the effective and efficient performance of the system.

Projects that have been identified to be addressed include working with the federal government for dam safety improvements, as well as work on sediment removal, shoreline protection, water quality improvements, watershed management and reservoir operations. The MWCD manages the reservoirs behind the dams in the system, while the federal U.S. Army Corps of Engineers operates the dams.

By law, funds collected from the MWCD assessment cannot be used to pay for improvements related to recreation programs, such as boat launch ramps, camping facilities and others.

Facts about the MWCD and the Assessment Program

Misconception: “This is just an attempt by the MWCD to get its hands on some more money than it already has.”

Fact: The MWCD’s present self-sustaining budget of more than \$10 million per year is driven by revenues from the recreational use of its facilities and natural resources programs. Nearly all of its revenues are spent operating these programs. The MWCD has not collected assessment dollars to date in its 73-year history.

Recreational opportunities continue to grow at reservoirs

With 54,000 acres of property, most of which is open for public access, the opportunities to enjoy the reservoir areas of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District grew in scope during 2006.

Two reservoirs, Charles Mill and Pleasant Hill, each saw significant new events that could enhance recreational opportunities for the general public. And all of the reservoirs, traditionally known for their boating, fishing and hunting availabilities, continue to see new outdoor recreational events and opportunities grow in scope.



More than 5.5 million people visit the MWCD reservoirs each year for the wide array of outdoor recreational activities that are available.



At Pleasant Hill Reservoir, development of a bridle and hiking trail in the reservoir area of Ashland and Richland counties will lead to the connection of Pleasant Hill Lake Park to the trail system at Malabar Farm State Park, as well as a plan for the eventual connection with the Mohican State Forest trails.

Members of the MWCD Board of Directors gave their approval to the plan, which will proceed in phases under the guidance of the Ohio Horseman's Council (OHC).

"I think this is a super idea to allow a relatively low-impact activity on public land and open access for another user group," said David E. Brightbill, a member of the MWCD Board of Directors and a Pleasant Hill Reservoir area native.

Plans in the first phase call for the construction of a three-mile section of a bridle and hiking trail on MWCD land beginning at the eastern edge of Pleasant Hill Lake Park and north of the lake, traveling west through the Richland Cottage Area on Covert Road and eventually intersecting with the Malabar Farm State Park trail. A loop trail also is being considered around a portion of the trail, adding another 1.5 miles, according to Mark Jukich, MWCD manager of operations.

Other plans include construction of a horseman's camping area inside Pleasant Hill Lake Park and adding an additional four miles of trail on MWCD land located south of the lake and linking it with the existing 24-mile Mohican Forest Trail.

The bulk of the cost of the program would be paid by OHC, Jukich said, including initial trail construction and maintenance over time. The first phase of the work could be completed in less than a year. Most of the costs for the MWCD will be related to in-kind and technical assistance, he said.

"We also have witnessed the strong cooperation of hikers and bridle trail users working together on trail improvements, maintenance and other related issues," Jukich said. The MWCD has similar trails on land it owns at Bolivar, Tappan and Wills Creek reservoirs, including the location of the headquarters of the Buckeye Trail Association at Tappan Lake.

Meanwhile, an isolated portion of Charles Mill Reservoir is expected to be the site of two water ski tournaments in 2007.

Members of the MWCD Board of Directors agreed to issue a marine event permit for the tournaments sponsored by the International Novice Tour (INT) during separate weekends in the summer of 2007. The tournaments, which feature varying levels of talent in numerous water sport skills for youth and adults, will be held in the Mud Lake area in the northeast section of Charles Mill Lake.

The proposal for the events was developed by the staff of Charles Mill Marina along with Tony and Mari Colace of Mansfield, who are directors of Out of the Boat Watersports, a family-oriented organization dedicated to teaching water sport skills. The Colaces told Board members that the conditions in the Mud Lake area of the lake are ideal for the skiing tournaments and that only a very small portion of the lake will be utilized.

The course to be used is about 76 feet wide by 875 feet long, with an overall ski area measuring about 275 feet wide and 1,000 feet long necessary to encompass the staging, turnaround and safety zone areas. The ski area would be positioned along the west side of the Mud Lake area, which would not be closed during the tournament weekends, although it would be designated as “No Wake.”

Conditions in the tournament area also are attractive for spectators to watch the action from the shore or in boats in designated areas on the water, the Colaces said.

Because the events will require the use of two boats with a greater horsepower rating than the 10-horsepower limit permitted on the lake, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources’ Division of Watercraft also had to review the proposal. The Division of Watercraft, which has the sole authority over horsepower ratings on the state’s water surfaces (including the MWCD lakes), agreed to issue an over-horsepower permit for the events contingent on MWCD’s issuance of a marine event permit.

Mark Jukich, MWCD manager of operations, said the MWCD staff has reviewed the proposal along with the Division of Watercraft, and will monitor the events closely. The Colaces said that work on a proposal for the events has taken more than a year and they are committed to the safety of all of the participants and other lake users and visitors.

Final details about the events, including the tournament dates and schedules, were expected to be announced early in 2007.

The Conservancy District also spent some time reviewing its policies and the rates it charges for marine events on the permanent reservoirs (lakes) it manages.

Fishing tournaments are one of the most popular activities on the MWCD lakes.



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MWCD Facts

There is a variety of recreational opportunities available at MWCD parks. Visitors enjoy affordable



recreation in truly natural environments with over 16,000 acres of water and 38,000 acres of land.

The areas are favored for camping, boating, fishing, swimming, wildlife studies and other nature-oriented activities, and they are all located within an easy driving distance of Ohio's major cities.



Because of their popularity and in an attempt to address congestion at the boat launch ramps for tournament participants and all other boaters, the MWCD began charging fees for fishing tournaments and other organized group boating activities through a marine event registration process many years ago.

In 2006, rates were updated for the first time in several years and took effect as part of the policy for the fishing tournaments and other events held on the lakes. However, MWCD officials identified that the new rate structure was placing a disproportionate financial burden on the smaller fishing clubs and groups, which hold the largest number of events on the lakes each year, said Mark Jukich, MWCD manager of operations.

According to the terms of a newly revised policy approved in 2006 by the MWCD Board of Directors, clubs and groups no longer will be charged fees on a per-event basis. Instead a fee will be paid by all event organizers based on the total number of tournaments, events and/or activities they hold at the lakes during the year.

“Following the changes made to the policy (in 2005), several clubs contacted us and explained the potential financial hardships they were facing,” Jukich said. “We worked with these clubs to better understand how their events function and how these fees affect them. We promised them that we would review their concerns and the new policy changes reflect those concerns.”

According to the revised rates, clubs and groups that hold one to 10 tournaments and events in a year will pay a total administrative fee of \$25, while 11 to 20 events will cost \$75, 21 to 30 events will be \$125 and 31 or more events will cost an additional \$25 per event. Open tournaments, which are not limited for participation by a particular club, group or organization, will pay fees for individual events based on the number of boats entered (\$50 for one to 25 boats, \$75 for 26 to 50 boats and \$100 for 51 or more boats).

Smaller club fishing events, which feature as few as five participating boats and include some clubs that hold weekly events, make up the vast majority of fishing tournaments held on the MWCD lakes each year, Jukich said.

The changes will be in effect for the 2007 season.

Forecast promising at Atwood Lake Resort

Boykin Management Company is reporting steady progress in the improvement of business at Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center.

By 2008, Boykin, the resort's management company, expects that one of Carroll County's top employers again will be recording profits. That's good news for the economy of Carroll County and the region, since Atwood Lake Resort has an annual payroll of nearly \$1.7 million and pays nearly \$200,000 a year in real estate and other taxes to the county and township governments.

"By 2008, the resort will be self-sufficient," said Neal Praznik of Boykin Management Company, who serves as manager of Atwood Lake Resort. "The resort makes a major contribution to the local and county communities, and we are pleased about the efforts we have made in marketing and services to maintain that level of impact."

During a report provided during 2006, Praznik told the MWCD Board of Directors that operating losses forecast in 2006 will be reduced in 2007, and eliminated by 2008. Atwood Lake Resort, a 104-room full-service hotel with a restaurant, golf course and meeting facilities, is owned by the MWCD.

Boykin Management Company of Cleveland, one of the top hotel management firms in the United States, has operated the resort located near Dellroy and overlooking Atwood Lake since mid 2004. Praznik said that an operating loss of slightly more than \$218,000 was forecast for 2006, but that will be reduced by \$159,000 in 2007. By 2008, overall profits are forecasted.

"The economic impact of this facility on this region is tremendous," said John M. Hoopingarner, MWCD executive director/secretary. "It is one of Carroll County's largest employers, pays a significant amount of taxes and is a strong component in the overall economy of the area."

Atwood Lake Resort

From the young to the young at heart there is a variety of activities for all. For the sports enthusiasts, a challenging round of golf on our scenic 18-hole regulation golf



course awaits, an invigorating workout in our fitness room or a run or bike ride on our scenic paths and trails. And for those wishing



for a little slower pace, the perfect day of soaking in the sun at our outdoor pool or relaxing in our sauna and whirlpool is available. Enjoying our beautiful sunsets from our dining room or one of our balconies is a favorite way to end the day for all.



Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center

“It is important to note the progress that Boykin has made on an annual basis here from a budget standpoint.”

The resort, which employs about 175 people, has a direct economic benefit of more than \$2 million in the Carroll County region, Praznik said. It paid bed taxes in 2006 of slightly more than \$58,000 each to Monroe Township where it is located, and to help fund the Carroll County Convention and Visitors Bureau. It also paid real estate taxes to Carroll County of nearly \$82,000 in 2006, along with other state and local taxes of more than \$187,000.

The MWCD constructed Atwood Lake Resort in the 1960s and leased its operation to various hotel firms through the years, before taking over day-to-day operations in 1997. A 10-year management contract was signed by the MWCD with Boykin beginning in June 2004.

However, the MWCD continues to monitor the performance of the resort very closely and announced in 2006 that it is reviewing potential development opportunities for the 350-acre site, including possible residential and economic opportunities. The MWCD Board of Appraisers is assisting in the process by determining the overall value and best uses of the property, Hoopingarner said.

The Conservancy District manages 10 permanent lakes, more than 54,000 acres of property, five lake parks, a resort and other facilities to be concerned with on a day-to-day and more long-term basis.

Staff projects fill busy year

The staff of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District dedicates itself to dozens and even hundreds of projects and activities simultaneously throughout a year's time. In 2006, it was no different.

Besides the numerous items listed on the following pages that were conducted by MWCD work groups, many staffers also volunteer for outreach programs that extend the Conservancy District's involvement, influence and education.

Following is a listing of many noteworthy activities the MWCD participated in during the year, broken down by classification.

Engineering

Routine and specialty maintenance is a major concern and an important part of the short-term and long-term planning processes for the MWCD. In addition, a considerable portion of the MWCD budget is related to maintaining the facilities as overseen by the engineering group.

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Staff members in the MWCD's engineering group and at the parks are in charge of the planning and execution of the maintenance and major repair/replacement needs for the facilities and equipment.

The engineering and park staffs at all MWCD facilities conducted dozens of routine and specialty projects during 2006. Work, as in most years, ranged from routine maintenance to scheduled and unscheduled improvements.

The engineering group develops a list of priority projects each year through a planning process that involves the MWCD administration, managers and coordinators, park staff and others. In most years, more than 100 projects are completed by the end of each calendar year.

Public Information

The public information support arm of the Conservancy District's operations spent most of its time in 2006 as it does in other years: utilizing public education opportunities to promote the mission of the MWCD and marketing the recreational opportunities at the facilities of the Conservancy District.

The public information effort for the MWCD utilizes and manages several forms of media to portray the message and image of the Conservancy District. These include the following:

- Lake Views – A quarterly newsletter published by the MWCD and distributed free to more than 10,000 mailing addresses.
- Internet site – Information about the MWCD is posted on its website at www.mwcdlakes.com. A website at www.mwcd.org provides details related to the MWCD's Amendment to the Official Plan.
- Press releases – Official information from the Conservancy District is provided to media in the watershed and beyond.
- Promotional activities – The MWCD participates in numerous activities each year, some of which it sponsors, to promote the lakes, facilities and/or mission of the MWCD.

Other activities also are conducted through the public information office for direct marketing and advertising about the recreational programs at the lakes and parks.

Human Resources

With a staff of around 85 full-time employees that swells to about 400 total workers during the summer months, the work to service the needs of both staff and the MWCD organization is the focus of the human resources office.

Besides routine reviews of the Conservancy District's benefit package, health plan and communications efforts for its employees, the human resources support office also studies all aspects of the employment experience, for the staff member and the organization.

Numerous other projects also were conducted in 2006 to enhance the employee-employer relationship for the MWCD.

Safety

The employment of a full-time safety coordinator by the MWCD has resulted in numerous upgrades in staff work practices and conditions of the Conservancy District's facilities to promote safety for employees and guests.

Various programs have been instituted, including a work team that focuses on safety in the workplace, routine safety meetings at regular work locations and special programs designed to promote safe work practices.

Information about the
MWCD is posted on its
website at
www.mwcdlakes.com
A website at
www.mwcd.org
provides details related to
the MWCD's Amendment to
the Official Plan.

Facts about the MWCD and the Assessment Program

Misconception: “The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) operates the dams, so they should take care of and pay for any improvements.”

Fact: The USACE does own and operate the dams in the MWCD flood-reduction system, and pays for the operational costs involved. However, several upcoming federal Dam Safety Assurance projects for the dams have been identified. The USACE has the sole jurisdiction to proceed on these projects, but by act of Congress, a portion of the total cost of the projects must be provided by a local sponsor. MWCD has proposed to serve as the local sponsor for these projects as part of its plan of maintenance and improvements, which would be funded through collection of the assessment. In the recent past the MWCD has served as the local sponsor for such projects. While the percentage of the overall cost is small, the total dollars required to be paid by the local sponsor is significant.

Compliance issues for safety have become more complex in recent years and the safety coordinator spent much of 2005 designing specific programs to ensure adherence to local, state and federal guidelines and laws.

Natural Resources

The formation in early 2004 of the Natural Resources group has centralized all of the MWCD’s programs related to its environmental resources and recreational leasing under one management structure.

The Natural Resources group concentrates its efforts in both the stewardship of the MWCD’s natural resources and its recreation programs. Areas managed in this group include agricultural, silvicultural, minerals, dredging/shoreline stabilization and water quality monitoring operations, as well as management of the 1,200 active leases in the cottage site lease program.

Staff members with specific position descriptions are directed to handle specialized activities related to these areas, ranging from identification of trees for harvesting as part of the forest renewal program, to testing samples of water from the permanent impoundments of water for quality to executing lease documents in the cottage site areas.

Cooperating agencies enhance MWCD offerings

The Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District is fortunate to have the support of several state and federal agencies that enable the MWCD to improve its facilities on an annual basis.

From stocking of fish in the MWCD lakes to operation of the dams, the Conservancy District benefits from the expertise and support of trained professionals at these agencies. Officials from the organizations normally meet at least annually with MWCD representatives for planning and discussion of shared issues.

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Flood control operations of the 14 MWCD dams were assumed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers under the 1939 Flood Control Act. The dams continue to be owned by the Corps’ Huntington, West Virginia, District Office. The Muskingum Area Office is located off State Route 800 just outside Dover.

During 2006, officials of the Corps and MWCD met twice in accordance with their partnering agreement to discuss common goals and issues. The agencies have assigned various staff members to study assigned areas of interest and make recommendations to the administrations of each.

Ohio Department of Natural Resources

The Ohio Department of Natural Resources and the MWCD cooperate in a number of aspects. The MWCD annually receives a grant from ODNR's Division of Watercraft for marine patrol operations. Grants also have been obtained from ODNR for numerous other MWCD construction and improvement projects.

The MWCD lakes and most of the surrounding land owned by the Conservancy District are open for public use, including boating, fishing, hunting, hiking and other activities. ODNR's Division of Wildlife annually stocks the fish in the MWCD lakes and conducts other wildlife research and development efforts at the reservoirs.

The Conservancy District lakes are located through three separate districts of jurisdiction of the Division of Wildlife. In District 3 in the northeast portion of the state, the MWCD lakes include Atwood, Beach City, Clendening, Leesville and Tappan. District 4 handles activities at Piedmont, Seneca and Wills Creek lakes, while District 2 encompasses Charles Mill and Pleasant Hill lakes.

Ohio Department of Transportation

The MWCD and the Ohio Department of Transportation have cooperated since the formation of the Conservancy District for highway relocations, bridge construction, rights-of-way and maintenance and repair of roads. As part of this effort, ODOT provides an annual paving program to maintain access roads for the MWCD parks, launch ramps and marinas.

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Summary of MWCD Owned Land by County

as of December 31, 2006

County	Reservoir	Acres	Total	
			Acres	Lots
Ashland	Charles Mill	1811.9564	2577.3304	199
	Mohicanville	40.7540		
	Pleasant Hill	724.6200		
Belmont	Piedmont	5859.9680	5859.9680	
Carroll	Atwood	3410.2550	7119.4880	20
	Leesville	3709.2330		
Coshocton	Mohawk	3374.7738	7262.4848	3
	Wills Creek	3887.7110		
Guernsey	Piedmont	130.3010	1712.8761	11
	Senecaville	1461.3291		
	Wills Creek	121.2460		
Harrison	Clendening	6601.6080	14891.6370	58
	Piedmont	695.7800		
	Tappan	7594.2490		
Holmes	Mohawk	8.5900	8.5900	
Knox	Mohawk	356.7900	356.7900	
Muskingum	Wills Creek	1785.9000	1785.9000	
Noble	Senecaville	6154.4400	6154.4400	1
Richland	Charles Mill	1539.8400	3008.9790	63
	Pleasant Hill	1469.1390		
Stark	Beach City	64.0200	879.2315	2
	Bolivar	815.2115		
Tuscarawas	Atwood	1142.2500	2933.1074	75.5
	Beach City	1286.3780		
	Bolivar	19.9600		
	Dover	484.5194		
TOTALS		54550.8222	54550.8222	432.5

Summary of MWCD Owned Land by Reservoir

as of December 31, 2006

Reservoir	County	Acres	Total	
			Acres	Lots
Atwood	Carroll	3410.2550	4552.5050	19.0
	Tuscarawas	1142.2500		
Beach City	Stark	64.0200	1350.3980	2.0
	Tuscarawas	1286.3780		
Bolivar	Stark	815.2115	835.1715	23.5
	Tuscarawas	19.9600		
Charles Mill	Ashland	1811.9564	3351.7964	199.0
	Richland	1539.8400		
Clendening	Harrison	6601.6080	6601.6080	
Dover	Tuscarawas	484.5194	484.5194	52.0
Leesville	Carroll	3709.2330	3709.2330	1.0
Mohawk	Coshocton	3374.7738	3740.1538	
	Holmes	8.5900		
	Knox	356.7900		
Mohicanville	Ashland	40.7540	40.7540	
Piedmont	Belmont	5859.9680	6686.0490	
	Guernsey	130.3010		
	Harrison	695.7800		
Pleasant Hill	Ashland	724.6200	2193.7590	63.0
	Richland	1469.1390		
Senecaville	Guernsey	1461.3291	7615.7691	1.0
	Noble	6154.4400		
Tappan	Harrison	7594.2490	7594.2490	58.0
Wills Creek	Coshocton	3887.7110	5794.8570	14.0
	Guernsey	121.2460		
	Muskingum	1785.9000		
TOTALS		54550.8222	54550.8222	432.5

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FINANCIAL

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Management Discussion and Analysis

The discussion and analysis of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District's (the District) financial performance provides an overall review of the District's financial activities for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2006. The intent of this discussion and analysis is to look at the District's financial performance as a whole; readers should also review the financial statements and notes to the basic financial statements to enhance their understanding of the District's financial performance.

Financial Highlights

Key financial highlights for 2006 are as follows:

- Current assets increased 25%. This increase is attributable to an increase in pooled cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable.
- For comparative purposes, these financial statements reflect activity of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District and Atwood Lake Resort and Conference Center.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This annual report consists of two parts – management's discussion and analysis and the basic financial statements. These statements are organized so that the reader can understand the financial position of the District. The statement of net assets represents the basic statement of the position of the District. The statement of receipts, disbursements and changes in net assets present increases (e.g. receipts) and decreases (e.g. disbursements) in net total assets. The statement of cash flows reflects how the District finances and meets its cash flow needs. Finally, the notes to the basic financial statement provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided on the basic financial statements.

Financial Analysis of the District as a Whole

The District is not required to present government-wide financial statements as the District is engaged in only business-type activities. Therefore, no condensed financial information derived from government-wide financial statements is included in the discussion and analysis.

The following tables represent the District's condensed financial information for 2005 and 2006 derived from the statement of net assets and the statement of receipts, disbursements, and changes in net assets.

	2006	Restated 2005
Current assets	\$ 3,737,197	\$ 2,960,660
Capital asset, net	13,310,350	11,131,767
Total assets	17,047,547	14,092,427
Current liabilities	1,755,560	2,015,491
Long-term debt outstanding	9,057,224	7,054,548
Total liabilities	10,812,784	9,070,039
Equity		
Invested in capital assets net of related debt	3,891,179	3,468,680
Unrestricted	2,343,584	1,553,708
Total net assets	\$ 6,234,763	\$ 5,022,388

Changes in Net Assets

The following table shows the changes in net assets for 2005 and 2006.

	2006	Restated 2005
Receipts		
Charges for services	\$ 8,656,514	\$ 7,858,358
Other operating receipts	6,431,967	6,030,712
Total receipts	15,088,481	13,889,070
Disbursements		
Personnel costs	(6,221,963)	(6,014,396)
Contractual services	(7,493,494)	(6,814,374)
Depreciation	(234,697)	(224,313)
Total disbursements	(13,950,154)	(13,053,083)
Operating receipts over operating disbursements	1,138,327	835,987
Nonoperating Activities		
Investment earnings	74,048	31,710
Total change in net assets	1,212,375	867,697
Beginning net assets	5,022,388	4,154,691
Ending net assets	\$ 6,234,763	\$ 5,022,388

Net assets increased by \$1,212,375. This increase was primarily the result of an increase in pooled cash and cash equivalents and accounts receivable.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital Assets

At the end of 2006, the District had \$13,261,479 net of accumulated depreciation invested in capital assets. The following table shows 2006 and 2005 balances:

	2006	Restated 2005	Increase (Decrease)
Land	\$ 2,170,779	\$ 2,170,779	\$ -
Buildings and improvements	23,674,623	23,674,623	-
Easements and rights-of-way	48,871	48,871	-
Machinery and equipment	4,690,020	4,578,789	111,231
Developmental costs	4,149,011	2,060,885	2,088,126
Office furnitures and fixtures	708,454	626,306	82,148
Autos and trucks	1,160,435	1,204,513	(44,078)
Less: accumulated depreciation	(23,291,843)	(23,232,999)	
	\$ 13,310,350	\$ 11,131,767	

Additional information on the District's capital assets can be found in Note 3.

Debt

The following table summarizes the District's debt outstanding of as December 31 2005, and December 31, 2006

	2006	2005
Promissory notes payable	\$ 1,203,627	\$ 1,232,743
Revenue bonds payable	4,366,673	4,635,020
Promissory notes payable effective 2010	3,800,000	1,746,453
	\$ 9,370,300	\$ 7,614,216

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide our citizens, investor and creditors with a general overview of the District's finances and to show the District's accountability for the money it receives. If you have questions about this report or need additional information contact James B. Cugliari of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District.

Statement of Net Assets

	2006
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Pooled cash and cash equivalents	\$ 1,438,424
Cash in bank	
Accounts receivable	2,298,773
Total current assets	3,737,197
Property Assets	
Land	2,170,779
Assessment Development	4,149,011
Easements and rights-of-way	48,871
Buildings and improvements	23,674,623
Machinery and equipment	4,690,020
Office furniture and fixtures	708,454
Autos and trucks	1,160,435
Total property assets	36,602,193
Less: accumulated depreciation	23,291,843
Net property assets	13,310,350
Total Assets	\$ 17,047,547
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts payable	632,624
Bonds payable - portion due within one year	313,076
Accrued interest payable	100
Performance bond payable	6,475
Escrow land rentals	281
Accrued health insurance	510,804
Accrued medicare	-
Accrued life insurance	-
Accrued industrial insurance	267,579
Accrued disability income	
Accrued retirement insurance	24,621
Total current liabilities	1,755,560
Long-Term Liabilities	
Accounts payable	
Loans payable - OWC/OWDA	
Bonds payable - portion due after one year	9,057,224
Deferred revenue	
Total long-term liabilities	9,057,224
Total Liabilities	10,812,784
Net Assets	\$ 6,234,763

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements

for the year ending December 31, 2006, ORC Section 6101.66

Cash and Investment Balance, January 1, 2006		1,074,822.39
Receipts		
Atwood Lake Resort	4,001,110.35	
Park Camping	3,470,601.40	
Cottage Site Leases	1,666,746.09	
Grants	113,878.70	
Marina Operations	564,946.65	
Sale of Timber and Pulpwood	582,186.31	
Sale of Land/Easements and Rights-of-Way	7,400.00	
Park Vacation Cabins	370,891.29	
Private and Multiple Docks	407,420.00	
Interest on Investments, Deposits and Notes	74,048.43	
Sale of Assets	10,280.50	
Park Admissions and Shelters	102,436.54	
Camper Trailer Storage and Pump-Out	193,903.76	
Mineral Rights and Royalties	449,560.18	
Water and Sewer Systems	32,682.05	
Marina - Camping	73,123.52	
Lake Patrol Operations	50,777.80	
Share Crop Operations	250,657.15	
Park Activity Centers	33,852.54	
ODNR Division of Watercraft	62,646.74	
Organized Groups and Club Sites	59,356.38	
Rental of Lands and Buildings	22,750.50	
Special Events	16,705.81	
Miscellaneous Income and Reimbursements	73,542.37	
Park Firewood Operations	17,929.00	
Refreshment Stand Sales and Dispensers	26,993.50	
Beach Operations and Water Activities	14,223.59	
Road Improvements - Lessees	186,182.82	
Sale of Water	36,322.00	
Accounts Receivable Adjustment and Advances	147,082.82	
State of Ohio - Operating Funds	125,000.00	
OWDA - Assessment Loan	2,088,126.26	
Total Receipts		15,333,365.05
Total Receipts and Balance		16,408,187.44

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements continued

Disbursements		
Atwood Resort Facilities	4,200,485.00	
Salaries, Wages and Fees	3,507,101.81	
Purchase of Fixed Assets and Equipment	179,644.17	
Employee Insurance - Retirement, Health and Industrial	1,033,515.54	
Contracts	1,930,584.83	
Materials and Supplies	992,217.65	
Service	191,170.32	
Utility Expense	587,710.28	
Real Estate Taxes	208,400.78	
State Sales Tax	24,715.15	
Chemicals and Fertilizers	12,474.58	
Legal Expenses	189,168.20	
Debt Retirement-Principal	183,459.72	
Insurance - Property and Liability	168,747.00	
Park Supplies for Resale	35,169.68	
Gas and Oil	159,437.54	
Repairs	10,768.13	
Advertising Expense	507,067.62	
Interest Expense	104,815.02	
Training and Education	14,030.86	
Telephone	49,196.26	
Adjustments to Current Liabilities and Advances	338,373.86	
Postage	20,118.07	
Travel Expense	57,277.93	
Court Costs	264,113.34	
Total Disbursements		14,969,763.34
Cash and Investment Balance December 31, 2006		1,438,424.10

Cash Flow

	2006
Cash received from customers	\$ 12,420,843
Cash payments to suppliers for goods and services	(5,237,634)
Cash payments to employees	(6,221,963)
Net cash provided by operating activities	961,246
Cash Flows from Capital and Related Financing Activities	
Proceeds from capital debt	2,088,126
Capital Contributions	134,792
Acquisitions and construction of assets	(2,314,837)
Principal payment on revenue and note payable	(301,550)
Interest paid on capital debt	(278,227)
Net cash used in capital and related financing activities	(671,696)
Cash Flows from Investing Activities	
Receipts of interest earnings	74,048
Net cash provided by investing activities	74,048
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents	363,599
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	1,074,825
Cash and cash equivalents at end of year	\$ 1,438,424

Analysis of Fund Balances

as of December 31, 2006

Fund Balances		
Total Improvement Fund	95,871.73	
Maintenance Fund		
General Land and Miscellaneous	48,853.39	
Forestry	606,324.97	
Recreation	433,595.00	
Contingent	39,857.73	
Total Maintenance Fund		1,128,631.09
Recreation Improvement Fund		
Regular	187,315.59	
Construction	48,099.45	
Contingent	8,406.24	
Total Recreation Improvement Fund		213,821.28
Bond Fund No. 2	100.00	
Total Cash Balances - All Funds		1,438,424.10
Depositories		
Funds with Banks - Checking and Collection Accounts	1,334,366.62	
Funds with Banks - Atwood Resort	101,516.00	
Funds with Banks - Investments	0.00	
Inactive Funds with State Treasurer	100.00	
Petty Cash and Change Funds	2,441.48	
Total Depositories - All Funds		1,438,424.10

Summary of Funds

as of December 31, 2006

	Balance Jan. 1, 2006	Receipts	Expenses	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Balance Dec. 31, 2006
Improvement Fund	110,731.42	7,400.00	22,259.69	0.00	0.00	95,871.73
Maintenance Fund						
General	64,647.32	3,128,645.55	4,844,439.48	(1) 1,700,000.00	0.00	48,853.39
Contingent	39,857.73	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39,857.73
Forestry	374,964.83	582,186.31	150,826.17	0.00	(2) 200,000.00	606,324.97
Recreation	199,873.46	11,456,096.29	9,407,607.86	0.00	(3) 1,814,766.89	433,595.00
Total Maintenance Fund	679,343.34	15,166,928.15	14,402,873.51	1,700,000.00	2,014,766.89	1,128,631.09
Recreation Improvement Fund						
Regular	207,631.83	159,036.90	505,575.47	(4) 296,222.33	0.00	157,315.59
Construction	68,609.56	0.00	39,054.67	(5) 18,544.56	0.00	48,099.45
Contingent	8,406.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,406.24
Total Recreation Maintenance Fund	284,647.63	159,036.90	544,630.14	314,766.89	0.00	213,821.28
Bond Fund No. 2	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.00
Total Funds	1,074,822.39	15,333,365.05	14,969,763.34	2,014,766.89	2,014,766.89	1,438,424.10

- (1) Transfer of \$200,000.00 from Maintenance Fund - Forestry
Transfer of \$1,500,000.00 from Maintenance Fund - Recreation
- (2) Transfer of \$200,000.00 to Maintenance Fund - General
- (3) Transfer of \$1,500,000.00 to Maintenance Fund - General
Transfer of \$296,222.33 to Recreation Improvement Fund - Regular
Transfer of \$18,544.56 to Recreation Improvement Fund - Construction
- (4) Transfer of \$296,222.33 from Maintenance Fund - Recreation
- (5) Transfer of \$18,544.56 from Maintenance Fund - Recreation

Analysis of Funds: Improvement Fund

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			110,731.42
Sale/Purchase of Land and Buildings	0.00	22,259.69	
Easements and Rights-of-Way	7,400.00	0.00	
Subtotals		0.00	
Totals		0.00	
Excess of Income over Expenses			
Balance, December 31, 2006			95,871.73

General Maintenance Fund

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			64,647.32
Water Resources and Flood Control	36,322.00	2,432.39	
Improvement to District Properties		53,856.57	
Safety	3,870.00	103,462.50	
Office Remodeling and Equipment		55,084.90	
Lake Access Improvements		1,881.67	
Land and Building Rentals	22,750.50	15,643.99	
Share Crop Operations	250,657.15	133,367.37	
Mineral Operation - Gas, Oil, Coal	449,560.18	3,285.35	
Watershed Management		26,953.68	
State of Ohio - Operating Funds	125,000.00		
Assessment	2,088,126.26	2,177,209.45	
Auto, Truck, and Equipment		127,913.70	
Office Building		88,003.50	
Administrative and Finance		1,355,707.02	
Engineering		212,310.61	
Subtotals	2,976,286.09	4,357,112.70	
Miscellaneous Sales and Services (See Itemized Supplement Next Page)	152,359.46	365,985.06	
Total General Maintenance Fund (Including Miscellaneous)	3,128,645.55	4,723,097.76	
Transfer from Recreation Maintenance Fund	1,500,000.00		
Transfer from General Maintenance Forestry	200,000.00		
Debt Retirement - Office Building		121,341.72	
Totals	4,828,645.55	4,844,439.48	
Excess of Expense over Income			15,793.93
Balance, December 31, 2006			48,853.39

Itemized Supplement: Analysis of Miscellaneous Sales and Services

as of December 31, 2006

Reimbursible Items	Income	Expense
Chippewa Subdistrict Reimbursement	38,888.08	27,895.20
Miscellaneous Income		
Plans and Maps	663.65	
Pay Phone Receipts	64.25	
Bad Check Fees	655.00	
Impounded Boat Fees	741.00	
Cottage Construction Permits	8,400.00	
Capital Credit Refunds	19,048.88	
Recycle Materials	505.70	
Reimbursements	3,314.73	
Incidental Income	1,261.08	
Subtotals	34,654.29	
Various Other Items		
Sale of Assets	10,280.50	
Interest on Investments (Maintenance Fund-General)	68,536.59	
Depreciation, Write-offs and Adjustments		38,089.86
Cash Advance to Atwood Resort		300,000.00
Total Maintenance Fund-Miscellaneous	152,359.46	365,985.06

Forestry Maintenance Fund

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			374,964.83
Reforestation		6,188.07	
Woods Improvement		6,924.30	
Timber Harvesting	390,167.25	19,739.55	
Forest Protection		5,814.61	
Continuous Forest Inventory		541.88	
Pine Pulpwood Operations	192,019.06	18,952.27	
Conservation Administrative Expense		92,665.49	
Subtotals	582,186.31	150,826.17	
Transfer to General Maintenance Fund	0.00	200,000.00	
Totals	582,186.31	350,826.17	
Excess of Income over Expenses			231,360.14
Balance, December 31, 2006			606,324.97

Recreation Maintenance Fund

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			199,873.46
Atwood Resort Facilities	4,001,110.35	4,355,904.29	
Manager and Employee Residences		1,942.66	
Watercraft Agreement	62,646.74	313.27	
Special Clean Up Operations		15,620.67	
Lake Patrol Operations	50,777.80	122,529.63	
Marina Operations	564,946.65	41,131.49	
Marinas-Camping	73,123.52	5,439.71	
Public Launching Facilities		24,562.53	
Cottage Sites	1,666,746.09	439,339.44	
Club Sites	59,356.38	8,379.96	
Private Docks	407,420.00	13,651.03	
Road Maintenance and Improvements - Cottage Areas	186,182.82	72,295.83	
Water and Sewer Systems	32,682.05	169,780.16	
Park Vacation Cabins	370,891.29	111,037.48	
Beach Facilities & Rental Boats	14,223.59	95,352.85	
Park Refreshment Stands & Vending	26,993.50	9,355.21	
Activity Centers	33,852.54	56,581.04	
Park Camping	3,470,601.40	1,731,563.57	
Trailer Pump-Out	29,267.00	27,565.17	
Camper Trailer Storage	164,636.76		
Firewood Operations	17,929.00	11,289.79	
General Park Facilities (includes shelters)	102,436.54	1,019,118.71	
Program Services		17,859.50	
Special Events and Festivals	16,705.81	70,288.67	
General Planning and Development		101,910.77	
Training and Education		26,465.94	
Public Information		118,404.62	
Purchase of Equipment and Vehicles		194,223.53	
Recreation Administrative Expense		378,763.32	
Adjustment to Current Liabilities, Receivables and Advances	103,566.46		
Debt Retirement-Vacation Cabins		125,897.64	
Debt Retirement-Tappan Water Plant		41,039.38	
Subtotals	11,456,096.29	9,407,607.86	
Transfer to Maintenance Fund-General		1,500,000.00	
Transfer to Recreation Improvement Fund-Regular		296,222.33	
Transfer to Recreation Improvement Fund-Construction		18,544.56	
Totals	11,456,096.29	11,222,374.75	
Excess Revenue Over Expense			233,721.54
Balance, December 31, 2006			433,595.00

Maintenance Fund (Contingent)

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			39,857.73
Transfer to Maintenance Fund - General	0.00	0.00	
Totals			
Excess of Income over Expenses			0.00
Balance, December 31, 2006			39,857.73

Recreation Improvement Fund (Regular)

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			207,631.83
Marina Operations			
Lake Dredging		2,472.29	
Public Launching Facilities	35,008.70	165.10	
Water and Sewer Systems	75,000.00	457,404.16	
Vacation Cabins			
Park Camping		45,533.92	
General Park Facilities			
Interest Income	5,511.84		
Subtotals	115,520.54	505,575.47	
Transfer from Recreation Maintenance Fund	296,222.33	0.00	
Accounts receivable adjustment from Water and Sewer Systems	43,516.36		
Totals	455,259.23	505,575.47	
Excess of Expenses over Income			50,316.24
Balance, December 31, 2006			157,315.59

Recreation Improvement Fund (Construction)

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			68,609.56
Vacation Cabin - Refurbishing		39,054.67	
Transfer From Maintenance Fund - Recreation	18,544.56		
Totals	18,544.56		
Excess of Income over Expenses			
Balance, December 31, 2006			48,099.45

Recreation Improvement Fund (Contingent)

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			8,406.24
Totals	0.00	0.00	
Excess of Income over Expenses			0.00
Balance, December 31, 2006			8,406.24

Bond Fund No. 2

as of December 31, 2006

	Income	Expense	Fund Balance
Balance, January 1, 2006			100.00
Interest on Deposits and Investments	0.00	0.00	
Bonds Retired	0.00	0.00	
Interest on Bonds	0.00	0.00	
Totals	0.00	0.00	
Excess of Expenses over Income			0.00
Balance, December 31, 2006			100.00

Notes to the Financial Statement

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

A. Type of Reporting Entity

The Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District was created as a separate political subdivision of the State of Ohio by the Ohio Legislature in 1933. The Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District was created in accordance with Section 6101 of the Ohio Revised Code, which is concerned with the formation and governing of conservancy districts. The Conservancy District operates under an elected conservancy court consisting of eighteen court of common pleas judges, with one judge serving on the court from each county. Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District had a five-member board of directors in 2006 appointed by the court. All other officers and employees are hired in accordance with the provisions of Section 6101 of the Ohio Revised Code. The MWCD is a separate governmental entity within the eighteen county area served by the Conservancy District.

2006 Board of Directors

David E. Brightbill, Member term expires July 18, 2007
Harry C. Horstman, Member term expires June 3, 2010
Steve Kokovich, President term expires June 3, 2008
David L. Parham, Member term expires June 8, 2011
Thomas L. Tribbie, Vice President term expires July 18, 2009

2006 Officers

John M. Hoopingarner Executive Director/Secretary
Richard A. Bible Chief Engineer
James B. Cugliari Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer
Mark Jukich Manager of Operations

Services provided by the MWCD are defined in detail in the Ohio Conservancy District Act and Section 6104.04 of the Ohio Revised Code and include among other duties the following:

- a) Flood prevention
- b) Regulating stream channels by changing, widening, and deepening the same
- c) Providing a water supply for domestic, industrial, and public use
- d) Providing for the collection and disposal of sewage and other liquid waste
- e) Regulating the flow of streams and conserving the waters thereof

The MWCD manages 14 reservoirs and receives income from the following and other sources:

- a) Park camping
- b) Rental of sites for cottages
- c) Sale of crops
- d) Sale of timber and pulpwood
- e) Atwood Resort facilities
- f) Boat marina rentals and docking

Subdistricts

Chippewa Subdistrict, Black Fork Subdistrict, Buffalo Subdistrict and Duck Creek Subdistrict are component units of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District. Each subdistrict was formed in accordance with Chapter 6101.71 of the Ohio Revised Code, "Organization of Subdistricts." The subdistricts were put into action as a result of petitions of the owners of real property subject to flooding within their areas. To date the only active subdistrict is the Chippewa Subdistrict. Black Fork Subdistrict, Buffalo Creek Subdistrict and Duck Creek Subdistrict are inactive.

B. Basis of Accounting

The MWCD keeps its books on a modified cash basis of accounting.

New Accounting Pronouncements

The MWCD has implemented a new financial reporting model, as required by the provisions of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments; GASB Statement No. 37, Basic Financial Statements and Management's Discussion and Analysis for State and Local Governments: Omnibus and Statement No. 38, Certain Financial Statement Note Disclosures, as amended and interpreted, as of January 1, 2004. These statements revise accounting and reporting standards for general purpose external financial reporting by governmental units. These statements change the MWCD's presentation of net assets and require the inclusion of management's discussion and analysis.

The Authority will continue applying all applicable pronouncements issued by the GASB.

Receipts/Receivables

Under this modified cash method of accounting the following operating receipts (as reported on the enterprise fund statements of receipts, disbursements and changes in fund balances) are accrued (billed):

- Water sales (City of Cambridge)
- Land, building and cottage rentals
- State of Ohio and Division of Watercraft/Wildlife expense reimbursements for safety patrol rangers, use of lakes for fishing, etc.
- Private dock income
- Club income
- Billings for water and sewage for cottages
- Division of Wildlife conservation lease
- Reimbursement of utility and maintenance fees for Atwood Resort
- Other items of operating receipts are recorded as received

Disbursements/Payables

Under this modified cash method of accounting the following items of expenses are accrued (set up as payables):

- Employee health insurance premiums
- Industrial insurance
- Insurance is recorded as paid and prepaid insurance is not recorded
- Accumulated unpaid vacation and sick pay are not accrued (see Note G)
- Payroll is not accrued and checks for withheld federal, state, and city income tax withheld are prepared with individual payrolls so no accrual is necessary for these at year-end.
- Other disbursements are not accrued.

Enterprise Funds

The MWCD reports its activity in an enterprise fund. The enterprise fund is accounted for in a manner similar to private business enterprises where the intent of management is that the costs and expenses of providing goods and services to the general public on a continuing basis be covered primarily through user charges.

C. Cash and Investments

Investments are reported as assets. Accordingly, purchases of investments are not reported as disbursements, and sales of investments are not recorded as receipts. Gains or losses at the time of sale are recorded as receipts or disbursements, respectively. The MWCD had no investments during 2006.

D. Fund Accounting

Main District

The MWCD maintains its accounting records in accordance with the principles of “Fund” accounting. The MWCD had four separate activities included in its enterprise fund during 2005:

- 1) Improvement activity
- 2) Maintenance activity
- 3) Recreation improvement activity
- 4) Bond activity

The transactions of each activity are reflected in a self-balancing group of accounts.

Subdistricts

There are four subdistricts: Chippewa Subdistrict, Duck Creek Subdistrict, Black Fork Subdistrict, and Buffalo Creek Subdistrict. Chippewa Subdistrict has Improvement, Maintenance, Bond and Preliminary Funds. Duck Creek Subdistrict, Black Fork Subdistrict and Buffalo Creek Subdistrict have only Preliminary Funds.

E. Budgetary Process

Budget

The MWCD’s annual budget of revenues, expenses, and capital expenditures is prepared under the modified cash basis of accounting. The budget is adopted by resolution of the Board of Directors. The MWCD utilizes such budget and related budgetary accounting to ensure that: 1) service objectives are attained; 2) expenditures are properly controlled; and 3) adequate resources will be available to finance current operations and meet capital outlay requirements.

Because the MWCD’s revenues and expense may fluctuate, a flexible-rather than fixed-dollar budget is utilized to permit budgetary revision. Actual results of operations are compared to the final, revised budget of the MWCD for the year.

Appropriations

The annual appropriation measure is passed on the last meeting of the year in December, for the period January 1 to December 31 of the following year. The appropriation measure may be amended or supplemented by the board. The total amount appropriated from any fund for any year shall not exceed the sum of the unencumbered balance in the fund at the beginning of the year and the amounts to be received during such year from bonds authorized, and taxes and special assessments imposed prior to their appropriation, together with all other moneys estimated to be received by the fund during the year. At the close of each calendar year, all unencumbered balance of appropriations shall revert to the funds from which they were made and shall be subject to reappropriation.

Encumbrances

The MWCD is required to use the encumbrance method of accounting by virtue of Ohio Law. Under this system purchase order, contracts and other commitments for the expenditure of funds are recorded in order to reserve the portion of the applicable appropriation. At the close of the calendar year, the unencumbered balance of each appropriation reverts to the respective fund from which it was appropriated and becomes subject to future appropriations. The encumbered appropriation balance is carried forward to the succeeding fiscal year and need not be re-appropriated.

F. Property Assets/Depreciation

When property assets are purchased, an expense amount is debited and cash is credited for one hundred percent of the purchase price of the item. An asset account is then debited and Reserve for Depreciation is credited for one hundred percent of the purchase price of the item.

G. Accumulated Unpaid Vacation, Sick Leave, Compensatory and Personal Items

Accumulated unpaid vacation, sick leave, compensatory and personal time are not accrued under the modified cash basis of accounting described in Note 1.B. All leave will either be absorbed by time off from work or, within certain limitations, be paid to the employees.

2. Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents

A. Classification

The MWCD maintains a cash and investment pool used by all funds. The pooled cash and investments are presented on the financial statements as pooled cash and cash equivalents.

B. Legal Requirements

GASB 3 requires that the pooled cash and investments of the MWCD and its subdistricts be presented in accordance with the following credit risk categories:

Category 1

Bank balances insured or collateralized with securities held by the MWCD/subdistrict or its agent in the name of MWCD/subdistrict.

Investments insured or registered, or securities held by the MWCD/subdistrict or its agent in the name of MWCD/subdistrict.

Category 2

Bank balances collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in the name of MWCD/subdistrict.

Investments uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counter party's trust department or agent in the name of MWCD/subdistrict.

Category 3

Bank balances uncollateralized (this includes any bank balance that is collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution, or by the pledging financial institution, or by its trust department or agent but noting the name of MWCD/subdistrict.

Investments uninsured and unregistered, with securities held by the counterpart, or by its trust department or agent but not in the name of MWCD/subdistrict.

C. GASB 3 Classification of Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents by Risk Category

Main District, Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents as of December 31, 2006

Category 1

Petty cash and change funds \$2,441.00

Category 1 total \$2,441.00

Category 2

Cash in bank (general checking, credit card accounts) \$1,149,727.00

Bank certificates of deposit and construction accounts 286,156.00

Bond coupons with State Treasurer 100.00

Category 2 total \$1,435,983.00

Main District, Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents as of December 31, 2006 \$1,438,424.00

Chippewa Subdistrict, Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents as of December 31, 2006**Category 2**

Cash in bank (general checking and certificates of deposit)	\$1,059,128.00
Category 2 total	\$1,059,128.00
Chippewa Subdistrict, Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents as of December 31, 2006	\$1,059,128.00

Duck Creek Subdistrict, Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents as of December 31, 2006**Category 2**

Cash in bank (general checking and certificates of deposit)	\$8,216.00
Category 2 total	\$8,216.00
Duck Creek Subdistrict, Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents as of December 31, 2006	\$8,216.00
Subdistrict, Total Pooled Cash and Cash Equivalents as of December 31, 2006	\$1,067,344.00

3. Capital Assets

Proprietary capital assets summary by category at December 31, 2006

Historical Cost	Restated			
Class	12/31/2005	Additions	Deletions	12/31/2006
CAPITAL ASSETS NOT BEING DEPRECIATED:				
Land	\$2,170,779.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$2,170,779.00
Assessment Development	2,060,885.00	2,088,126.00	0.00	4,149,011.00
Development costs and land purchases	<u>3,177,651.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3,177,651.00</u>
Subtotal	\$7,409,315.00	2,088,126.00	\$0.00	\$9,497,441.00
CAPITAL ASSETS BEING DEPRECIATED:				
Building and improvements	\$23,674,623.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$23,674,623.00
Machinery and equipment	4,578,789.00	111,231.00	0.00	4,690,020.00
Office furniture and fixture	626,306.00	82,148.00	0.00	708,454.00
Automobiles and trucks	<u>1,204,513.00</u>	<u>78,109.00</u>	<u>122,187.00</u>	<u>1,160,435.00</u>
Subtotal	\$30,084,231.00	\$271,488.00	\$122,187.00	\$30,233,532.00
Total cost	\$37,493,546.00	\$2,359,614.00	\$122,187.00	\$39,730,973.00

Accumulated Depreciation

Class	12/31/2005	Additions	Deletions	12/31/2006
CAPITAL ASSETS BEING DEPRECIATED:				
Building and improvements	\$16,907,159.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$16,907,159.00
Machinery and equipment	4,815,131.00	101,368.00	0.00	4,916,499.00
Office furniture and fixtures	550,554.00	1,554.00	0.00	552,108.00
Automobiles and trucks	<u>960,155.00</u>	<u>.00</u>	<u>44,078.00</u>	<u>916,077.00</u>
Total depreciation	\$23,232,999.00	\$102,922.00	\$44,078.00	\$23,291,843.00
Net value	\$14,260,547.00			\$16,439,130.00

4. Risk Management

4a. Comprehensive Liability Insurance

The MWCD maintains comprehensive insurance coverage with the Ohio Plan for the following:

- a) All risks
- b) Business auto
- c) Law enforcement
- d) Directors/Officers
- e) Boiler and machinery
- f) Umbrella liability
- g) Public employee disability
- h) Employee bonds

Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance three years and there has been no significant reduction in insurance coverage in the years 2006 and 2005.

4b. Self-insurance

Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District has a health insurance self-insurance plan administered by third party administrator Aultcare. The monthly premium in 2006 for a single employee is \$329.68, \$517.40 for an employee plus 1, and for the family of an employee the premium is \$781.99. The overall stop loss for the plan is \$454,397.00 at 12/31/2006. The limit per occurrence was \$40,000 in 2006 with no exceptions on individual employees. When MWCD pays claims or reimburses employees for medical bills in excess of the limits they are reimbursed by Excess Re-insurance Underwriters Agency, Inc.

5. Retirement System

Pension Benefit Obligation

All employees of the MWCD participate in the Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS), a cost-sharing multiple employer defined benefit pension plan. OPERS provides retirement and disability benefits, annual cost-of-living adjustments and death benefits to plan members and beneficiaries. Chapter 145 of the Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority to establish and amend benefits. OPERS issues a stand-alone financial report that includes financial statements and required supplementary information for the OPERS. Interested parties may obtain a copy by making “written request to 277 East Town Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215-4642 or by calling (614) 222-6705 or 1-800-222-PERS (7377).

The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employee and employer contributions. The employee contribution rate is 9.0% for employees other than law enforcement and public safety. The law enforcement classification consists of sheriffs, deputy sheriffs, and township police with an employee contribution rate of 10.1%. Public safety division members contribute at 9%. The 2006 employer contribution rate for local government employer units was 13.70% of covered payroll. The 2006 employer contribution rate for both the law enforcement and public safety divisions was 16.93% of covered payroll. The MWCD’s contributions to OPERS for the year ending 2004, 2005 and 2006 were \$499,385, \$441,350 and 495,816 respectively.

Other Post-Employment Benefits

Ohio Public Employees Retirement System (OPERS) provides post-employment health care benefits to age service retirees with ten or more years of qualifying Ohio service credit. Health care coverage for disability recipients and primary survivor recipients is also available. The health care coverage provided by the retirement system is considered an

Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) as described in GASB Statement No. 12. A portion of each employer's contribution to the OPERS is set aside for the funding of post retirement health care. The Ohio Revised Code provides statutory authority for employer contributions. The OPERS law enforcement program is separated into two divisions, law enforcement and public safety, with separate employee contribution rates and benefits. The 2006 employer contribution rate for local government employers was 13.70 % of covered payroll of which 4.5% was the portion used to fund health care for the year. For both the public safety and law enforcement divisions the 2006 employer rate was 16.93% and 4.5% was used to fund health care.

The health inflation and significant actuarial assumptions and calculations relating to post-employment; health care benefits were based on the OPERS latest actuarial review performed as of December 31, 2005. OPEBs are advance-funded on an actuarially determined basis. There were 369,214 active contributing participants in the OPERS as of December 31, 2006. An entry age normal actuarial cost method of valuation was used in determining the present value of benefit liabilities and normal cost. The difference between assumed and actual experience (actuarial gains and losses) became part of unfunded actuarial accrued liability. All investments are carried at market value. For actuarial valuation purposes, a smoothed market approach is used. Under this approach assets are adjusted annually to reflect 25% of unrealized market appreciation or depreciation on investment assets. The investment assumption rate for 2005 was 6.5%. An annual increase of 4% compounded annually, is the base portion of the individual pay increase assumption. This assumes no change in the number of active employees. Additionally, annual pay increases, over and above the 4% *base increase*, were assumed to range from .5% to 6.3%. Health care costs were assumed to increase at the project wage inflation rate plus an additional factor ranging from .5% to 6% for the next 9 years. In subsequent years health care costs were assumed to increase at 4% annually. \$11.1 billion represents the actuarial value of the Retirement System's net assets available for OPEB at December 31, 2005. The actuarially accrued liability and the unfounded actuarial accrued liability, based on the actuarial cost method used, were \$31.3 billion and \$20.2 billion, respectively.

6. Ohio Public Employees, Deferred Compensation Program

Employees of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District may elect to participate in the Ohio Public Employees Deferred Compensation Program. Under this program, employees elect to have a portion of their pay deferred until a future time, usually after retirement. The deferred pay and interest earned on it is not subject to income taxation until actually received by the employee. This program was established pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Sections 145.71 and 145.76. Under the terms of the deferred compensation plan agreement these funds are held in trust for the exclusive benefit of the participants and their beneficiaries. These amounts are not included in the MWCD's financial statements.

7. Legal Proceedings

The MWCD is involved in litigation in the normal course of business. Although the eventual outcome of these matters cannot be predicted, it is the opinion of management that the ultimate liability is not expected to have a material effect on the MWCD's financial position.

8. Bonds Payable

Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District has three revenue bonds and three notes payable outstanding as of December 31, 2006. They are as follows:

8A

This is a \$1,300,000.00, 4.75%, fifteen year Revenue Bond dated February 24, 1998, and maturing February 24, 2013. Key Bank of Cleveland, Ohio purchased this bond. Funds were borrowed for the renovation, construction and improvement to the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District administration building in New Philadelphia, Ohio. Principal and interest is due the 24th day of each month starting March 24, 1998.

Bond principal is due as follows:

2007	\$92,582
2008	\$97,076
2009	\$101,789
2010	\$106,731
2011	\$111,913
2012	\$117,346
Thereafter	<u>\$20,105</u>
Total	<u>\$647,542</u>

8B

This is a \$1,300,000.00, 5.31%, fifteen-year Revenue Bond dated December 17, 1999 and maturing December 13, 2014. Key Bank of Cleveland, Ohio purchased this bond. Funds were borrowed for the purpose of paying all or a portion of the costs of renovating, construction, acquiring and installing improvements to cabins and other facilities at Tappan and Atwood Parks and all necessary appurtenances thereto. Principal and interest is due the 13th day of each month starting January 13, 2000.

Bond principal is due as follows:

2007	\$84,437
2008	\$89,031
2009	\$93,876
2010	\$98,984
2011	\$104,370
2012	\$110,048
Thereafter	\$238,386
Total	\$819,131

8C

This is a \$550,692.22, 5.56% Cooperative Agreement with Ohio Water Development Authority for construction of a 75,000 and a 10,000 gallon water tank and 3,807 linear feet of 6. water line and 3,676 linear feet of 4. water line at Tappan Lake Park. The agreement date is April 15, 1999 with a contract term of twenty-five years with the first semi-annual payment due January 1, 2000 and the final payment due July 1, 2024. Principal and interest is due January 1 and July 1 with the first payment due January 1, 2000.

Bond principal is due as follows:

2007	\$15,504
2008	\$16,378
2009	\$17,301
2010	\$18,277
2011	\$19,307
2012	\$20,395
Thereafter	<u>\$355,859</u>
Total	<u>\$463,021</u>

8D

This is a \$795,000 agreement with Consumers Ohio Water Company for improved and upgraded water system at Charles Mill Sites Lake cottages. The agreement is dated December, 2002 with a contract term of twenty five years with monthly payments due March 1, 2003.

Bond principal is due as follows:

2007	\$15,553
2008	\$16,752
2009	\$18,044
2010	\$19,436
2011	\$20,936
2012	\$22,550
Thereafter	<u>\$627,336</u>
Total	\$740,607

8E

This is a \$3,095,000 variable rate revenue bond used to finance construction at Atwood Resort. This note is dated April 23, 2003.

Bond principal is due as follows:

2007	\$105,000
2008	\$115,000
2009	\$120,000
2010	\$125,000
2011	\$135,000
2012	\$140,000
Thereafter	<u>\$2,160,000</u>
Total	\$2,900,000

8F

This is a \$3,800,000 from OWDA. It is a 5.0% interest bearing loan with a balloon payment due five years from the December 16, 2004 signing date

9. Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt obligations of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District at December 31, 2006 were as follows:

LONG-TERM DEBT		12/31/2005	Deletions	12/31/2006	Within 1 Year
4.75% Revenue Bond	1998	\$735,837	\$88,295	\$647,542	\$92,582
5.31% Revenue Bond	1999	899,212	80,080	819,131	84,437
5.56% OWDA	1999	477,697	14,677	463,020	15,504
7.50% Con OH Water Co.	2002	755,046	14,439	740,607	15,553
Variable Rate RB	2003	3,000,000	100,000	2,900,000	105,000
OWDA Loan	2004	1,746,453		3,800,000	
Total long-term debt		\$7,614,245	\$297,491	\$9,370,300	\$313,076

A summary of the MWCD's future long-term debt funding requirements, including principal and interest payments as of December 3, 2006 follows:

Year	REVENUE BONDS		PROMISSORY NOTES	
	Principal	Interest	Principal	Interest
2007	\$282,019	\$70,221	\$31,057	\$80,630
2008	301,107	61,131	33,130	78,557
2009	315,665	51,574	3,835,345	354,557
2010	330,715	41,525	37,713	73,975
2011	351,283	30,957	40,243	
Thereafter	2,785,884	17,524	1,026,139	686,868.00
Totals	\$4,366,673	\$272,932	\$5,003,627	\$1,274,587

FINANCIAL SUPPLEMENT

The following charts represent the financial history of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District over the past ten years (information source: 1996-2005 Annual Reports of Operations).

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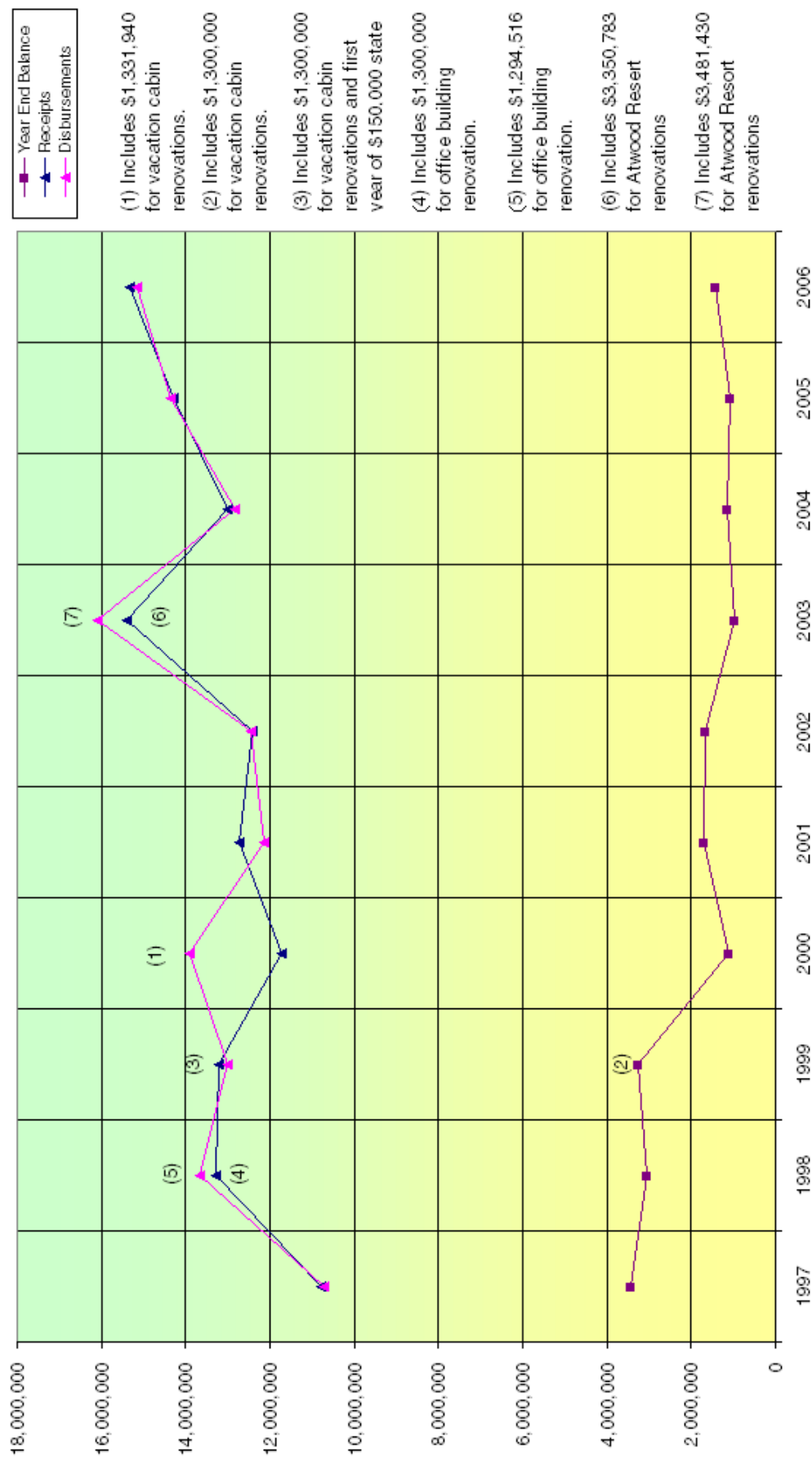


Chart 2 **Major Expenses by Category**

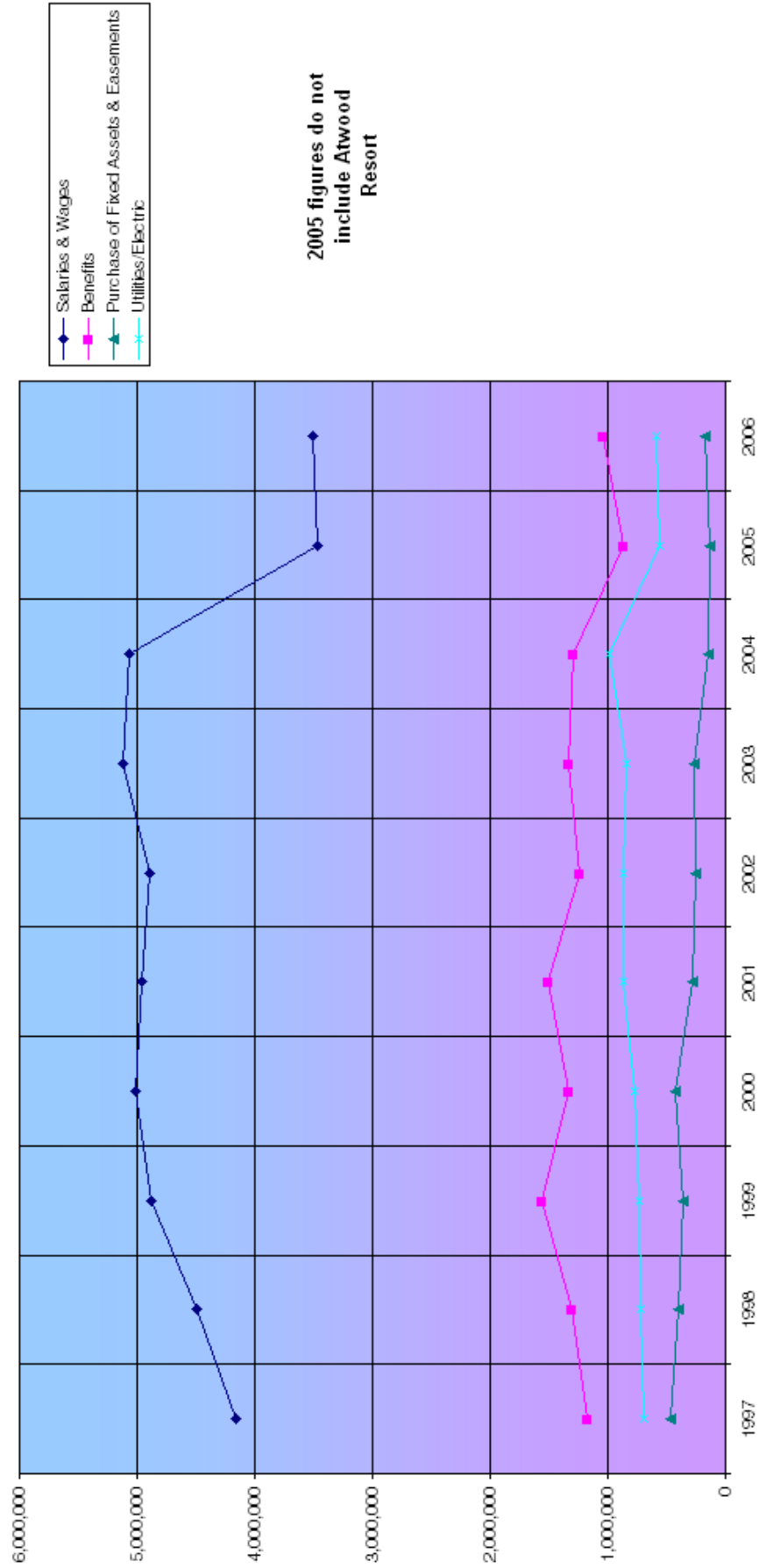


Chart 3

Major Revenue Sources

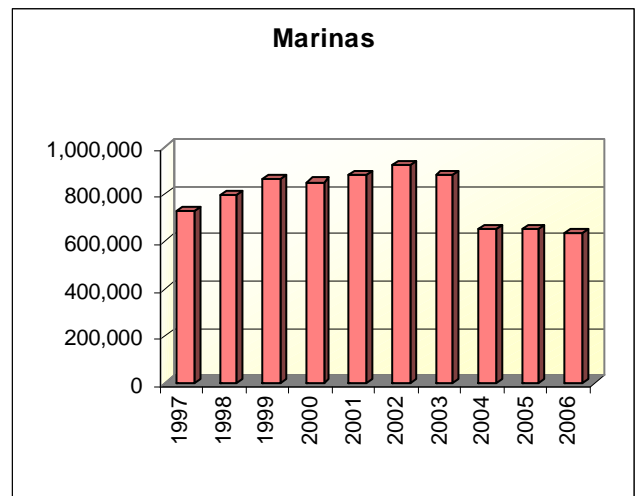
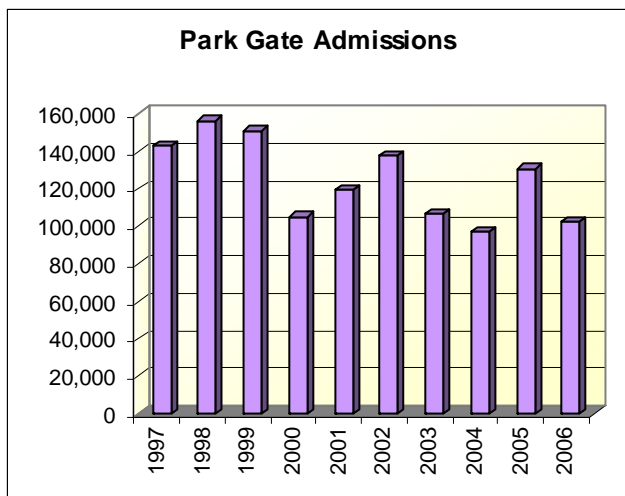
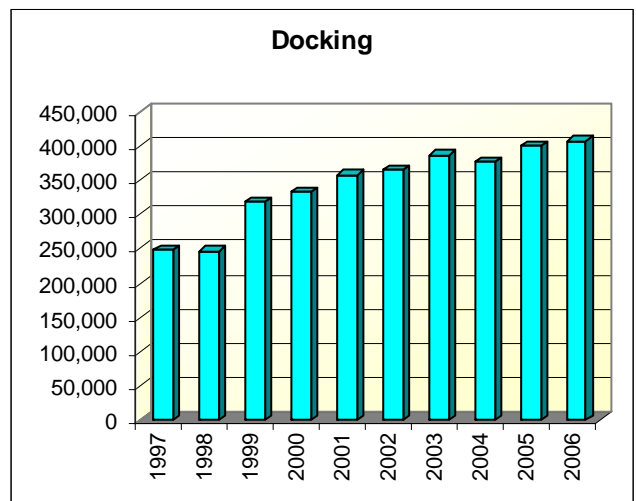
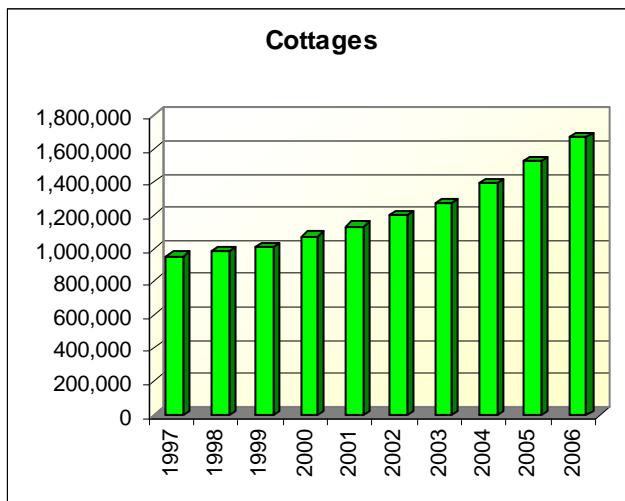
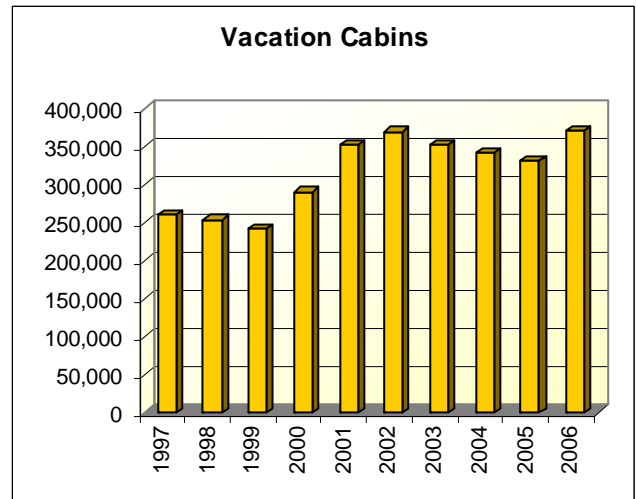
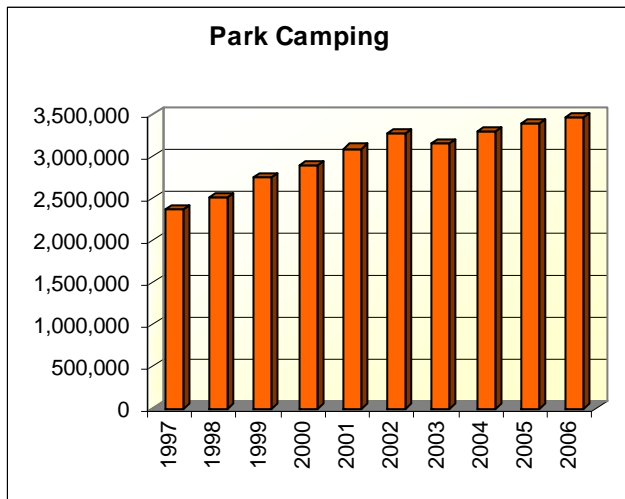
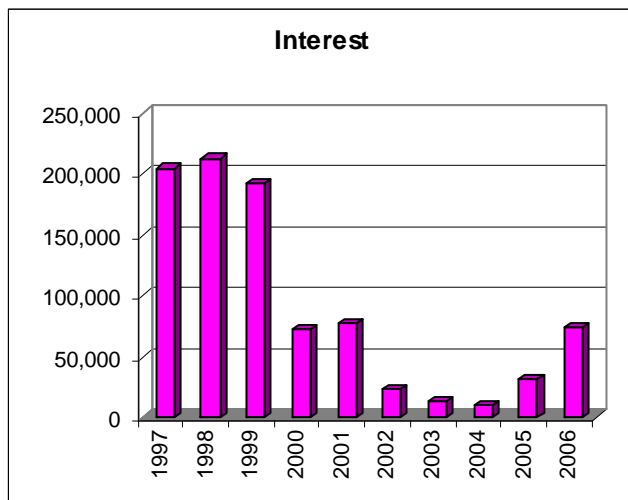
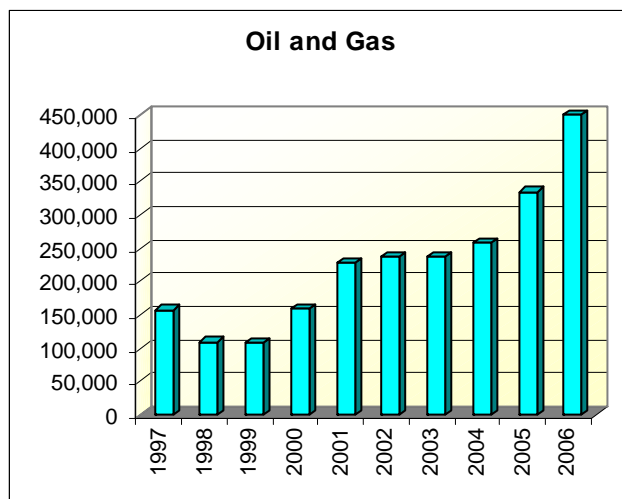
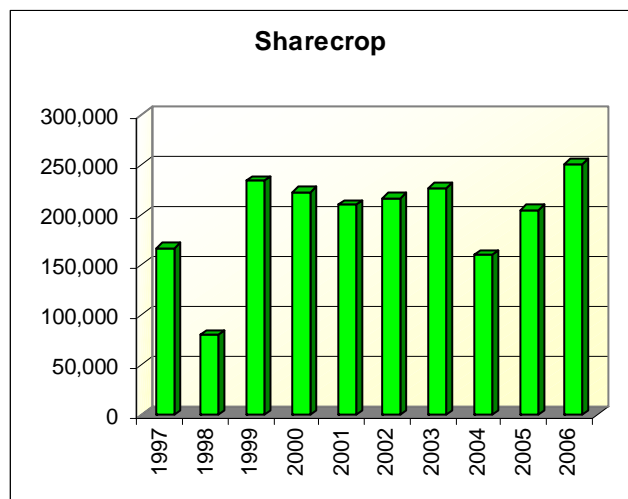
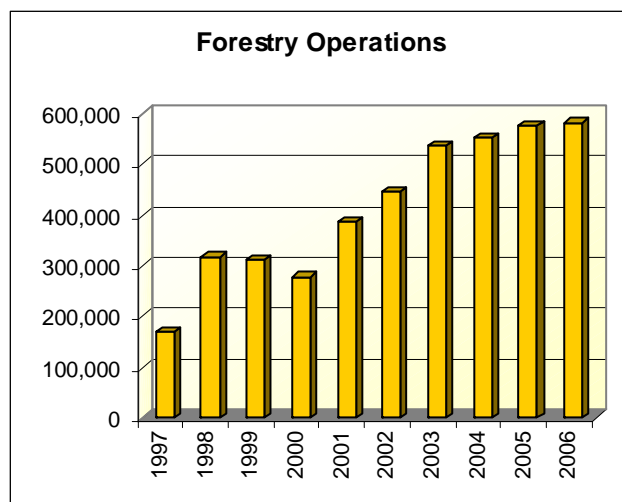
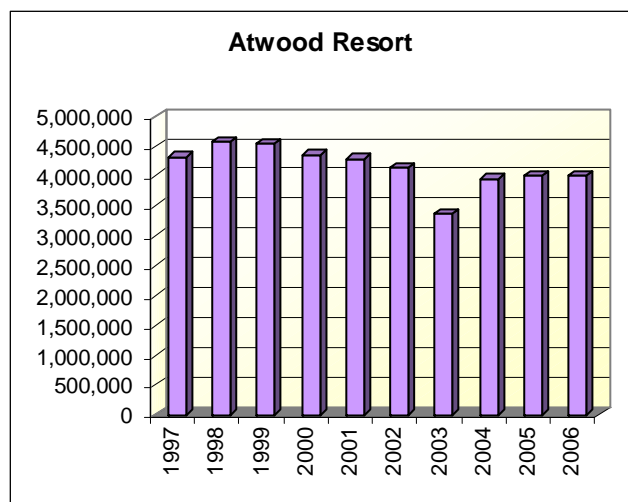


Chart 3

Major Revenue Sources continued



Land and Forestry Operations: Total Cash Receipts by Reservoir

as of December 31, 2006

	Agricultural, Building, and Lot- Acres Leased	Land and Building Rentals	Gas, Oil, Stone, Coal	Cash Rent and Sharecrops	Timber	Pulpwood	Totals
Atwood			169,878.91		1,300.00	23,676.18	194,855.09
Beach City	60.30		43,039.22	5,520.00		9,801.70	58,360.92
Bolivar			32,265.57				32,265.57
Charles Mill	25.00	935.00	3,865.52	1,125.00	41,630.38	297.80	47,853.70
Clendenning			490.55				490.55
Dover			122,595.83		2,559.01		125,154.84
Leesville					5,420.35	62,155.38	67,575.73
Mohawk	905.90		18,923.45	123,340.58	226,313.56	12,295.28	380,872.87
Mohicanville			56.00				56.00
Piedmont						20,344.22	20,344.22
Pleasant Hill	150.00		15,114.24	11,068.50	32,262.67		58,445.41
Seneca	7.00	9,910.00	10,327.34			56,707.36	76,944.70
Tappan	132.00	6,793.00	5,767.95	2,640.00		383.02	15,583.97
Wills Creek	533.00	5,112.50	27,235.60	106,963.07	80,681.28	6,358.12	226,350.57
Totals	1,813.20	22,750.50	449,560.18	250,657.15	390,167.25	192,019.06	1,305,154.14

Recreation Operations: Total Cash Receipts by Reservoir

as of December 31, 2006

	ODNR Division of Watercraft	Lake Patrol	Cottages, Clubs, and Dock Sites	Road, Water and Sewer Maintenance	Marina Operations	Park Operations	Total Recreation
Atwood	8,733.14	4,000.00	636,449.59	183,982.14	194,602.33	1,011,844.33	2,039,611.53
Beach City	1,102.68						1,102.68
Bolivar			1,799.00				1,799.00
Charles Mill	4,313.12	4,000.00	315,348.36	19,901.80	86,665.99	497,446.88	927,676.15
Clendening	4,195.08	4,000.00	3,366.00		72,456.52		84,017.60
Dover	10,202.58						10,202.58
Leesville		4,000.00	227,621.66		57,365.97	80,448.66	369,436.29
Mohawk & Kokosing						59,159.32	59,159.32
Mohicanville							0.00
Piedmont	6,134.62	4,000.00	192,069.22		70,322.54		272,526.38
Pleasant Hill	10,735.80	4,000.00	145,204.25		40,675.42	478,354.10	678,969.57
Seneca	7,033.64	4,000.00	364,848.50	14,980.93	41,450.58	1,109,690.29	1,542,003.94
Tappan	9,133.02	4,000.00	225,251.50		57,924.97	1,010,593.85	1,306,903.34
Wills Creek	1,063.06		21,564.39				22,627.45
Totals	62,646.74	32,000.00	2,133,522.47	218,864.87	621,464.32	4,247,537.43	7,316,035.83

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Subdistricts

Black Fork Subdistrict

There is no present activity in the Black Fork Subdistrict. No cost is involved in continuing the subdistrict as a vehicle for its intended purpose. In the future should the need arise, its existence could save considerable time and expense in lieu of forming another subdistrict.

Buffalo Creek Subdistrict

There is no present activity in the Buffalo Creek Subdistrict. No cost is involved in continuing the subdistrict as a vehicle for its intended purpose. In the future should the need arise, its existence could save considerable time and expense in lieu of forming another subdistrict.

Chippewa Subdistrict

The Chippewa Subdistrict is the only active subdistrict in the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District system.

The Subdistrict office completed its second year of operation in 2006 and continues to be staffed by the watershed specialist, a part-time position established for the purpose of overseeing the maintenance of the Chippewa Flood Control Project dams and channels. Maintenance and improvement work is funded through an assessment of owners of property located in the Chippewa Creek Watershed.

The Subdistrict office is located in a new office within the Medina County Park District complex at 6364 Deerview Lane, Medina. The watershed specialist's maintains regular hours with time spent both in the office and doing fieldwork.

The following maintenance and rehabilitation projects were completed during 2006:

Maintenance on Dams		
Structure	Description of Work	Cost
III-A	Mowing of dam and emergency spillway	\$2,677.50
III-A	Repair washouts in emergency spillway	104.00
IV-A	Mowing of dam and emergency spillway	549.00
IV-A	Remove debris around riser at water line	225.00
V-C	Mowing of dam and emergency spillway	540.00
V-D	Mowing of dam and emergency spillway	500.00
VII-C	Mowing of dam and emergency spillway	575.00
VII-C	Clean dam inlet 6 times	930.00
VIII-C	Mowing of dam and emergency spillway	3,150.00
VIII-C	Clearing trees along north fence line of emergency spillway	1,000.00
VIII-C	Replacement of fence in areas where ATVs were entering	4,495.00
VIII-D	Mowing of dam and emergency spillway	756.00
VIII-D	Remove large tree trunk from riser	120.00
VIII-D	Replace gate on east side of dam	340.00
Total maintenance on dams		\$15,961.50

Maintenance on Channels	
Description of Work	Cost
31R: Replace CMP culvert	\$4,850.00
116RA: Replace CMP culvert	2,775.00
37L: Replace pipe, berm drain, drop inlet and trash racks	4,986.54
Ingress: Replace access gate	854.69
70R: Replace CMP culvert	2,610.00
34R: Replace CMP culvert	5,450.00
Fill material	2,490.45
Annual mowing, Seville Road to Frick Road	1,125.00
Tree removal/mowing, between Sterling Road and Seville Road	3,725.00
Tree removal/mowing, River Styx Channel	1,125.00
Annual mowing	500
Tree removal from Coal Bank Road	1,200.00
Tree removal from Sterling to Miller Road	4,720.00
Tree removal downstream from VII-C	622.5
Tree removal downstream from Coal Bank Road	5,412.50
Total Maintenance on Channels	\$42,446.68

Dam Rehabilitation		
Location	Description	Cost
IV-A and V-D	Design study for sediment removal and upgrade	\$10,575.00
Total Dam Rehabilitation		\$10,575.00

Total Maintenance at Chippewa Subdistrict in 2006	\$68,983.18
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Meetings with the Chippewa Citizens Task Force, engineers, village of Rittman, Medina County Parks, sheriff's department, landowners and MWCD staff also were held throughout the year. Various issues and questions regarding the assessment and/or flooding brought up by property owners were addressed. Most of these have been resolved or are in the process of being resolved.

Work continues on the development of a data base management program for the purpose of providing a more efficient way of tracking the work being done on the Chippewa Flood Control Project. The program was very useful in 2006 for keeping track of and reporting expenses and progress on projects. There is still some revising that is being worked on and additional segments to be added, one of which may be a GIS database of the 600-plus structures in the channels.

Duck Creek Subdistrict

The Duck Creek flows through Noble and Washington counties and the original watershed protection project was started as a subdistrict of the MWCD.

The Soil Conservation Service, now Natural Resources Conservation Service, under Public Law 566, and co-sponsors MWCD and the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, had worked on the project since 1963. Due to disinterest by



The Chippewa Creek Watershed Project is a flood control project that began in 1956 and was completed in 1980 with the construction of eight dams. It encompasses 188 square miles (120,320 acres) in northern Wayne and southern Medina counties.

The watershed project was established to reduce the acreage prone to flooding, and to reduce the actual time periods of inundation.

The Chippewa Creek runs through Medina and Wayne counties to the Tuscarawas River, which is a tributary of the Muskingum River. It had been the source of major flooding in both urban and rural areas, including a devastating flood in 1969.

those affected landowners along the channel and adverse benefit-cost ratio, activity in the project dwindled. With reluctance, in 1981 the NRCS requested and received agreement from the subdistrict to close out the remaining activity.



In the past few years, interest has resumed among many public officials and agencies to further develop the flood control plan and revive subdistrict activities. Commissioners from Noble and Washington counties have passed resolutions supporting the reactivation of the subdistrict and said they believe the support has increased for a flood control project in recent years.

The Washington and Noble Soil and Water Conservation Districts have received funding to develop a watershed management plan for the Duck Creek Watershed. A watershed coordinator also has been hired to facilitate the process.

The management plan being developed will assist the SWCDs in the two counties in setting priorities and securing funds to assist landowners and residents in improving the overall health of the watershed.

Black Fork Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

Balance Sheet

as of December 31, 2006

Assets	
Cash	0.00
Expenses	
Preliminary Expense (expense includes legal and engineering costs, court costs, and overhead charges)	1,822.26
Total Assets and Expenses	1,822.26
Liabilities	
Account Payable (to Main District)	1,822.26
Receipts and Advances	0.00
Total Liabilities and Receipts	1,822.26

Black Fork Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

from January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2006, in accordance with Section 6101.66 of the Ohio Revised Code

Cash on Hand, January 1, 2006	0.00
Receipts	
None	0.00
Disbursements	
None	0.00
Cash on Hand, December 31, 2006	0.00

Buffalo Creek Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

Balance Sheet

as of December 31, 2006

Assets		
Cash		0.00
Expenses		
Preliminary Expense (expense includes legal and engineering costs, court costs and overhead charges)	27,592.88	
Total Assets and Expenses		27,592.88
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable (to Main District)	12,464.98	
Loan from Local Committee	15,000.00	
Total Liabilities		27,464.98
Receipts and Advances		
Interest on Deposits and Investments	127.90	
Total Liabilities and Receipts		27,592.88

Buffalo Creek Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

from January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2006, in accordance with Section 6101.66 of the Ohio Revised Code

Cash on Hand, January 1, 2006	0.00
Receipts	
None	0.00
Disbursements	
None	0.00
Cash on Hand, December 31, 2006	0.00

Chippewa Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

Balance Sheet

as of December 31, 2006

Assets		
Cash and Investments	1,059,128.04	
Amount available to be provided	345,000.00	
Total Assets		1,404,128.04
Expenses		
Preliminary (legal, engineering, appraisal, etc)		
less preliminary expenses paid	232,317.25	
Various improvement expenses (legal, engineering)	169,096.37	
Purchase of Land and Easement	542,878.41	
Construction Payments to Contractor	210,388.07	
Repayment of Contributors		
(a) Chippewa Watershed Association	33,630.00	
(b) Packaging Corporation of America	0.00	
Interest on Notes	169,590.70	
Funds Advanced to Improvement Fund	54,178.01	
Funds Advanced to Maintenance Fund	145,000.00	
Various Maintenance Expenses	1,831,016.09	
Real Estate Taxes	4,521.61	
Various Bond Fund Expenses	110.91	
Total Expenses		3,392,727.42
Total Assets and Expenses		4,796,855.46

Chippewa Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

Balance Sheet continued

as of December 31, 2006

Liabilities		
Current Notes Payable - FHA	0.00	
Accounts Payable (to Main District)	2,175.57	
Total Liabilities		2,175.57
Receipts		
Chippewa Watershed Association	19,630.00	
Packaging Corporation of America	33,544.00	
Revenue from Sales of Notes - FHA	345,000.00	
Interest on Deposits and Investments	388,161.55	
Wayne County Commissioners	17,500.00	
Department of Natural Resources	37,000.00	
Department of Natural Resources - Purchase of Lands	100,000.00	
Construction Payments from NRCS	189,195.26	
Revenue from Benefit Assessments - Paid in Full	173,574.32	
Interest on Assessments - Paid in Full	105.60	
Revenue from Sale of Lands	170,309.33	
Funds Advanced from Preliminary Funds	74,178.01	
Funds Advanced from Bond Fund	145,000.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts and Refunds	2,556.94	
Collection of Assessments from Counties	2,504,818.59	
Revenue from Land Rent/Miscellaneous	583,971.11	
Interest on Notes	10,135.18	
Total Receipts		4,794,679.89
Total Liabilities and Receipts		4,796,855.46

Chippewa Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

from January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2006, in accordance with Section 6101.66 of the Ohio Revised Code

Cash on Hand, January 1, 2006		771,137.95
Receipts		
Collection of Assessments	367,908.17	
Interest on Deposits and Investments	45,154.67	
Revenue from Land Rental and Miscellaneous	240.00	
Total Receipts		413,302.84
Total Receipts and Balance		1,184,440.79
Disbursements		
Salaries, Wages & Benefits	36,326.08	
Contract Services	30,256.27	
Materials & Supplies	3,428.87	
Repairs and Maintenance	53,521.63	
Legal	739.00	
Taxes	1,040.90	
Total Disbursements		125,312.75
Cash on Hand, December 31, 2006		1,059,128.04

Duck Creek Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

Balance Sheet

as of December 31, 2006

Assets		
Cash		8,215.65
Expenses		
Preliminary expense (includes legal and engineering costs, court costs and overhead charges)		5,400.32
		13,615.97
Total Assets and Expenses		
Liabilities		
Accounts Payable	36.55	
Ohio Water Commission	20,000.00	
Less Partial Repayment	(14,000.00)	
Total Liabilities		6,036.55
Receipts and Advances		
Interest on Deposits and Receipts		7,579.42
Total Liabilities and Receipts		13,615.97

Duck Creek Subdistrict of Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District

from January 1, 2006, to December 31, 2006, in accordance with Section 6101.66 of the Ohio Revised Code

Cash on Hand, January 1, 2006	8,152.83
Receipts	
Interest on Deposits and Investments	62.82
Total Receipts and Balance	8,215.65
Disbursements	
None	0.00
Cash on Hand, December 31, 2006	8,215.65

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APPENDIX

Parks

Park	Superintendent	Assistant Superintendent	Phone	Fax	Email Addresses
Atwood Lake Park 4956 Shop Road NE Mineral City, OH 44656	Tony Luther	Ed Davy Jeremy Hoffer	330-343-6780	330-343-5454	atwood@mwcdlakes.com tluther@mwcdlakes.com edavy@mwcdlakes.com jhoffer@mwcdlakes.com
Charles Mill Lake Park 1271 State Route 430 Mansfield, OH 44903	Dan Mager	Steven Rice	419-368-6885	419-368-4912	charlesmill@mwcdlakes.com dmager@mwcdlakes.com srice@mwcdlakes.com
Pleasant Hill Lake Park 3431 State Route 95 Perrysville, OH 44864	Dan Mager	Andy Seib William Martin	419-938-7884	419-938-7884	pleasanthill@mwcdlakes.com dmager@mwcdlakes.com aseib@mwcdlakes.com bmartin@mwcdlakes.com
Seneca Lake Park 22172 Park Road Senecaville, OH 43780	Open Position	Lynn Lyons Lucas Pace	740-685-6013	740-685-6770	seneca@mwcdlakes.com gparrish@mwcdlakes.com llyons@mwcdlakes.com lpace@mwcdlakes.com
Tappan Lake Park P.O. Box 29 Deersville, OH 44693	John Birney	M. Joe McGlothlin Jared Oakes	740-922-3649	740-922-6086	tappan@mwcdlakes.com jbirney@mwcdlakes.com jmcglothlin@mwcdlakes.com joakes@mwcdlakes.com

Marinas

Marina	Operator	Phone	Fax
Atwood Marina West 9298 Atwood Lake Road NE Mineral City, OH 44656	C. Brian Valot www.atwoodlakeboats.com sales@atwoodlakeboats.com	330-364-4703	330-364-6358
Atwood Marina East P. O. Box 57 Dellroy, OH 44620	C. Brian Valot www.atwoodlakeboats.com sales@atwoodlakeboats.com	330-735-2323	330-364-6358
Charles Mill Marina P. O. Box 3123 Lexington, OH 44904	Robert Schraedly www.charlesmillmarina.com info@charlesmillmarina.com	419-368-5951	419-368-3900
Clendening Marina 79100 Bose Road Freeport, OH 43973	Rob and Annette Ryser www.clendeninglake.com cmi@1stnet.net	740-658-3691	740-658-3596
Leesville Clow's Landing 4131 Deer Road SW Bowerston, OH 44695	Paul Clow www.clowsmarina.com clowsmarina@tusco.net	740-269-5371	740-269-1360
Leesville Petersburg Marina 2126 Azalea Road SW Carrollton, OH 44615	Greg and Mary Jo Turner www.petersburgmarina.com info@petersburgmarina.com	330-627-4270	330-627-2490
Piedmont Marina 32281 Marina Road Freeport, OH 43973	Terry Mason Paul and Barb Krzywdik	740-658-3735	740-658-3713
Pleasant Hill Marina P. O. Box 3123 Lexington, OH 44904	Robert Schraedly www.pleasanthillmarina.com info@pleasanthillmarina.com	419-938-6488 (summer only)	419-368-3900
Seneca Marina P. O. Box 430 Senecaville, OH 43780	Heinlein Properties, Inc. Roger Barack	740-685-5831	740-676-1549
Tappan Marina 33315 Dennison-Cadiz Road Scio, OH 43988	Cathy Cramblett Sandra and Richard Henry www.tappanlakemarina.com cwsimon@comcast.net	740-269-2031	740-269-8002

Governing Bodies

Conservancy Court

Ashland County

Honorable Damian J. Vercillo

Belmont County

Honorable John M. Solovan II

Carroll County

Honorable William J. Martin

Coshocton County

Honorable Richard I. Evans

Guernsey County

Honorable David A. Ellwood

Harrison County

Honorable Michael K. Nunner

Holmes County

Honorable Thomas C. Lee

Knox County

Honorable James Ronk

Licking County

Honorable Thomas M. Marcelain

Morgan County

Honorable D. W. Favreau

Muskingum County

Honorable Mark Fleegle

Noble County

Honorable John W. Nau

Richland County

Honorable James D. Henson

Stark County

Honorable Jim James

Summit County

Honorable Jane Bond

Tuscarawas County

Honorable Edward E. O'Farrell

Washington County*

Honorable C. Ashley Pike

Wayne County

Honorable Raymond E. Leisy

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(New Concord)

Term expires June 3, 2008

Thomas L. Tribbie, Vice President

(Cambridge)

Term expires July 18, 2009

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Term expires July 18, 2007

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(Scio)

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(Dellroy)

Term expires June 8, 2011

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(Wooster)

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(Medina)

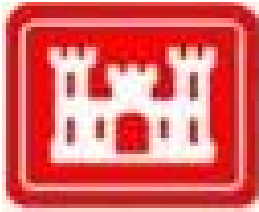
Term expires July 18, 2008

Mark J. Waltz

(Dover)

Term expires July 14, 2008

Cooperating Agencies



**U.S. Army Corps
of Engineers**



**Ohio
Department
of
Natural Resources**



**U.S.
Forest
Service**



**Natural Resources
Conservation Service**



U.S. Geological Survey



**Ohio
Department
of
Transportation**



**Ohio
Department
of
Agriculture**



**Ohio
Agricultural
Research and
Development
Center**



**Ohio
Environmental
Protection Agency**

Conservancy District Staff

(as of December 31, 2006)

Administration

John M. Hoopingarner
Executive Director/Secretary
Mark Jukich
Manager of Operations
Mary Burley
Human Resources Coordinator
Cindi Kerschbaumer
Development Coordinator
Kelli Karns
Office Assistant
Karen Miller
Executive Assistant
Darrin Lautenschleger
Public Information Officer
Scott Tritt
Safety Coordinator
Shirley Dinger
Diana Dodds
Clerical Assistants

Engineering

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Chief Engineer
Randy Canfield
Robert Jones
Darrell Larkin
Equipment Operators
Alan Edwards
Assistant Utilities Coordinator
Thomas P. Fisher
GIS Specialist
Gwen Floyd
Project Assistant
Bruce Horsfall
Equipment Supervisor
Jack Kibble
GIS/CAD Technician
Jeffrey Lacheta
Project Coordinator
Eric Maurer
Phil Wolfe
Utilities Operators

Randal Meese

Building & Grounds Technician
Deborah J. Russell
Chippewa Watershed Specialist
Mark Shultz
Engineering Technician
Michael Weber
Utilities Coordinator

Finance

James B. Cugliari
Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer
Colby Byrom
Accountant
Stephen Demuth
Systems Coordinator
Jayne Ann Fankhauser
Rebecca Warfield
Accounting Clerks

Natural Resources

Mark Swiger
Natural Resources Administrator
James Bishop
Resource Coordinator
Donnie Borland
Lease Coordinator
Peggy May
Lease Assistant
Tricia Miller
Administrative Assistant
Bernie Schreiner
Resource Specialist
Tom Stanley
John Traxler
Lease Technicians

Recreation-Parks

Scott D. Barnhart
Parks Coordinator/Chief Ranger
Dave Olsafsky
Maintenance Specialist
Michael Govanello
Lake Ranger Supervisor
Scott Beckley
John Hite
Troy Noice
Juanita Russell
Denise Vales-Smith
Francis Wehr
Lake Rangers

Atwood Lake Park

Tony Luther
Park Superintendent
Edward L. Davy
Jeremy G. Hoffer
Assistant Park Superintendents
Joan Wilson
Administrative Assistant
Anthony Amicone
Richard Anderson
Ralph H. Long
Park Rangers
Shawn Tharp
Park Patrol
Terry Genet
Greg Russell
Park Technicians
William Myers
Facilities Attendant
Dennis Jones
Campground Supervisor

Conservancy District Staff continued

Charles Mill Lake Park

Dan Mager
Regional Park Superintendent
Steven Rice
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Candace Zeger
Administrative Assistant
Daniel Atterholt
Dave Filipak
Corey Tedrow
Park Technicians
James Braeunig
Ranger/Technician
Stacy Karsmizki
Gate Supervisor
Donna Messerly
Activities Leader
Andrew Dick
Larry Goon
Park Rangers

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Craig Williams
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Karen Kaufman
Park Ranger

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Lucas Pace
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Linda Leach
Park Administrative Assistant
William D. Mallett
Josh Oakley
Park Rangers
Troy Hannahs
Mark Lashley
Park Technicians
Diana Tolliver
Activities Leader

Tappan Lake Park

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Micheal J. McGlothlin
Jared Oakes
Assistant Park Superintendents
Gina Ferri
Administrative Assistant
David Schuler
Park Technician
Michael Cable
Jon Little
Ranger/Technicians
Rose DeLong
Clerical Assistant
Nakia Echelberry
Park Technician

MWCD Facilities

Description	Atwood	Beach City	Charles Mill	Clendenning	Leesville	Piedmont	Pleasant Hill	Seneca	Tappan	Wills Creek
Horsepower limit	25	10	10	10	10	10	unlimited	299	299	10
Acres of water	1540	420	1350	1800	1000	2270	850	3550	2350	900
Acres of land	3000	930	2000	4750	2600	4372	1345	4060	5000	4846
Conservation pool elevation*	928	948	997	898	963	913	1020	832.2	899.3	742
Spillway elevation **	941.0	976.5	1020.0	910.5	977.5	924.6	1065.0	742.5	909.0	779.0
Maximum depth (in feet)	38	13	12	38	43	33	50	27.2	29.3	22
Average depth (in feet)	16.3	4.1	5.5	15.5	19.5	14.8	15.9	12.3	14.9	6.7
Park										
Year round camping										
Seasonal camping rates										
Group camping										
Hot showers										
Modern restrooms										
Electric hookups										
Full hookups										
Swimming beach										
Hiking trails										
Activity center										
Nature center										
Group shelters										
18-hole golf course										
Full service marina	2		1	1	2	1	1	1	1	
Overnight lodging										
Resort										
Park vacation cabins										
Marina motel/cabins										
Camper cabins										
*Conservation pool is a lake surface elevation which is maintained durin the boating season, unless affected by the operation of the dam for flood control, or by drought. Conservation pool is measured in feet above sea level.										
**Spillway elevation (the channel near the dam for surplus water) is measured in feet above sea level.										

Fish Species in MWCD Reservoirs

Description	Atwood	Beach City	Charles Mill	Clendenning	Leesville	Piedmont	Pleasant Hill	Seneca	Tappan	Wills Creek
Muskellunge										
Northern Pike										
Channel Catfish										
Flathead Catfish										
Bullheads										
White Bass										
Striped Bass										
Largemouth Bass										
Smallmouth Bass										
Crappie										
Bluegill										
Yellow Perch										
Walleye										
Saugeye										
Hunting *										
Trapping *										
*Through an agreement, hunting, trapping, and fishing activities are regulated by the ODNR Division of Wildlife.										

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Map of MWCD Counties and Jurisdictional Boundary



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Map of MWCD Drainage Area

