



FACT SHEET

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Special Studies - Lorain County, OH

Section 206 of the 1960 Flood Control Act, as amended
General Investigations

Location

- Lorain County, OH

Project Description

- A Flood Plain Management Study will create a hydrologic and hydraulic models several communities in Lorain County, OH for the purposes of defining the 1% and .2% chance of exceedance (100 and 500-year flood plain) in the study areas

Importance

- Updated flood plain information will assist local officials in zoning and flood plain management in the community

Consequences

- Without updated studies; communities will not have accurate and current flood plain information and sound flood plain management will be difficult to enforce

Project Phase*	Estimated Federal Cost	Federal Funding Thru FY15	FY16 Requirement	FY16 Budget	FY17 Requirement	FY17 Budget
Special Study, Lorain County*	\$600K	\$4.9K	\$80K	\$0	\$150K	NA

* Special Studies are 100% Federally financed

Project Sponsor/Customer

- State of Ohio
- Communities in Lorain County

Congressional Interests

- Representative Jim Jordan R-OH-4
- Representative Marcy Kaptur D-OH-9
- Senator Rob Portman R-OH
- Senator Sherrod Brown D-OH

Current Status

- Prioritization of water bodies needing updated studies was coordinated with Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), US Geological Survey (USGS), Ohio Emergency Management Agency

(OEMA) and Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR)

- Coordination is occurring with ODNR to prioritize water bodies needing updated floodplain mapping
- Resource agencies are providing available background data
- The completed reports and technical studies will be provided to FEMA as an application for a Letter of Map Revision

Issues

- Funding may limit communities to be studied
- Funding restrictions have prevented progress on study

