

# GLFER Tow-Path Park, Maumee City Schools, Maumee, OH

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## AUTHORIZATION: Great Lakes Fishery and Ecosystem Restoration

- Section 506 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2000

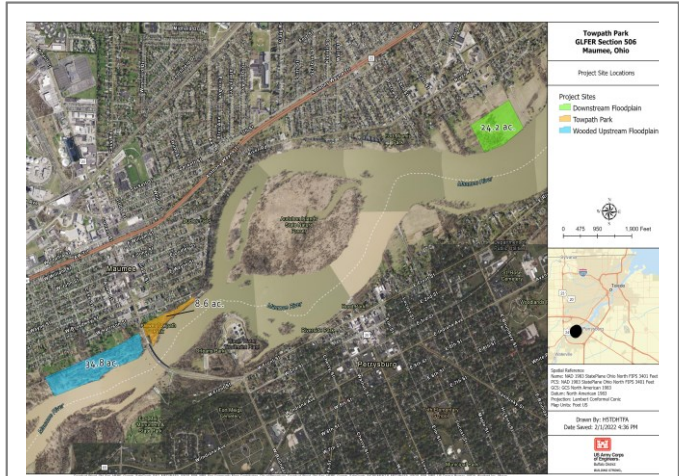
## PROJECT SPONSOR:

- Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Ohio Department of Natural Resources

**LOCATION:** Approximately 15 miles upstream from the mouth of the Maumee River and includes Towpath Park and two other river adjacent sites in the City of Maumee, Lucas County, Ohio.

**LEFT:** Current site conditions prior to project kick-off

**RIGHT:** Project location along the Maumee River



Congressional Member Interest	Key Stakeholder Interest
Representative Marcy Kaptur (D) OH-9	Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources
Senator Sherrod Brown (D) OH	Great Lakes Fishery Commission
Senator J.D. Vance (R) OH	City of Maumee

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND:

- The project would include the construction of a wetland complex, vernal pools, and streambank features designed to stabilize the bank and slow water velocities near the shoreline. Shallow areas of the wetland complex and vernal pools would provide habitat for a variety of terrestrial and aquatic species while the deeper areas of the wetland complex would increase habitat for native fish. Juvenile fish species such as walleye, northern pike, and smallmouth bass would benefit from the refugia and foraging habitat created by the project. Other aquatic species, including waterfowl,

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deer, herpto-fauna, insects, songbirds, and small mammals would also benefit from these habitat betterments.

- The project would increase habitat quantity, quality, connectivity, and overall importance of the existing aquatic habitat. It would improve the quantity and quality of habitat for walleye, northern pike, and smallmouth bass fish species. Specifically, it would create and improve habitat for spawning, nursery, and rearing, among other life stages, for these important fishes. The project would also reduce the rate of stormwater runoff reaching the Maumee River in the local area and retain sediment to help improve water quality.

**BUDGET INFORMATION:**

Authorized Total Project Cost	\$71,478.47
Non-Federal Sponsor Cost	\$25,017.47
Federal Cost	\$46,461.01
Federal Funding Received Prior to FY24 President Budget	\$71,478.47

**CURRENT STATUS:**

Completed the Federal Interest Determination in November 2021 and a Feasibility Scoping Meeting in April 2022. Working with ODNR and GLFC to secure non-federal dollars to execute a Feasibility Cost Share Agreement and start the feasibility study.

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