



Ohio Department of Natural Resources

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JAMES ZEHRINGER, DIRECTOR

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City of Conneaut
294 Main St
Conneaut, OH 44030

Re: Preliminary identification of Lake Erie coastal erosion areas
Permanent Parcel Number 12-229-00-224-00

Dear Property Owner:

The Ohio Coastal Management Act of 1988 recognizes the serious hazards and substantial economic losses caused by erosion of Ohio's Lake Erie coast. Ohio law requires that the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR) identify and designate Lake Erie coastal erosion areas and administer a permit system for construction or redevelopment of permanent structures within those areas. As provided in Ohio Revised Code (O.R.C.) Section 1506.06, coastal erosion areas are "...areas anticipated to be lost by Lake Erie-related erosion within a thirty-year period if no additional approved erosion control measures are completed within that time." Coastal erosion area designations were first finalized in 1998 and last updated in 2010. Recently ODNR has completed a review of coastal erosion area designations and as a result is releasing preliminary revised coastal erosion area maps.

ODNR records show that based on the 2010 coastal erosion area maps, all or a portion of your property was determined to be located within a designated coastal erosion area. This letter serves to inform you that based upon the recent review, ODNR has *preliminarily* determined that when the newest (2018) maps are finalized, your property *will no longer* be included in a coastal erosion area. This is only a preliminary determination; **until the 2018 coastal erosion area maps are finalized, the 2010 coastal erosion area designations remain in effect for the purposes of permitting and property transfers.**

Information about the Coastal Erosion Area Mapping Program is included in the enclosed fact sheet. Additionally, information on how the preliminary 2018 coastal erosion area maps were developed, the objection and map finalization process, and what a designation means for property owners will be presented at public hearings in each coastal county. A schedule of public hearing dates and locations is enclosed with this letter.

No action is required in response to this letter but we remind you that coastal erosion is a continuous process and the rate of erosion at your property may change over time. There is the potential for erosion to occur at all coastal properties regardless of whether a property is

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designated as a coastal erosion area, and future reviews of coastal erosion data may designate coastal erosion areas where none are designated currently.

You can review coastal erosion maps on ODNR's coastal erosion Web page at coastal.ohiodnr.gov/cea2018. If you prefer to see paper maps, enclosed is a list of locations where paper maps are available for review.

If you have questions or concerns regarding the mapping process or coastal erosion area permitting, you can attend any of the public sessions or send an email to CEAinfo@dnr.state.oh.us.

Sincerely,


James Zehringer
Director

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Enclosures: Fact Sheet: Ohio's Coastal Erosion Areas Preliminary 2018 Update
List of Public Meeting Dates and Locations
List of Map Viewing Locations