

# Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program





The image features a quote by Dietrich Bonhoeffer centered on a green background. The background is composed of several overlapping layers: a dark green textured area at the bottom, a medium green rectangular area in the middle, and a dark blue/black tilted rectangular area at the top. A large, semi-transparent olive-green circle is positioned in the center, serving as a backdrop for the text. The quote is written in a white, elegant script font. The author's name, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, is written in a smaller, italicized script font to the right of the main quote.

*"The ultimate test of a moral society is the kind of world  
it leaves its children."*

*Dietrich Bonhoeffer*



# What is Clean Ohio?

The Clean Ohio Green Space Program is dedicated to environmental conservation including acquisition of green space and the protection and enhancement of river and stream corridors. Grant recipients agree to maintain the properties in perpetuity so that they can be enjoyed and cherished for generations to come.







# Clean Ohio Green Space Conservation Program - District 14

Ohio has 19 Conservation Districts. Each District has a Natural Resource Assistance Council (NRAC), which is responsible for selecting projects that are determined eligible to receive funding from the Clean Ohio Green Space Program.

- Funding recipients must agree that the project area will be held as green space in perpetuity.



# Green Space Conservation Program - District 14

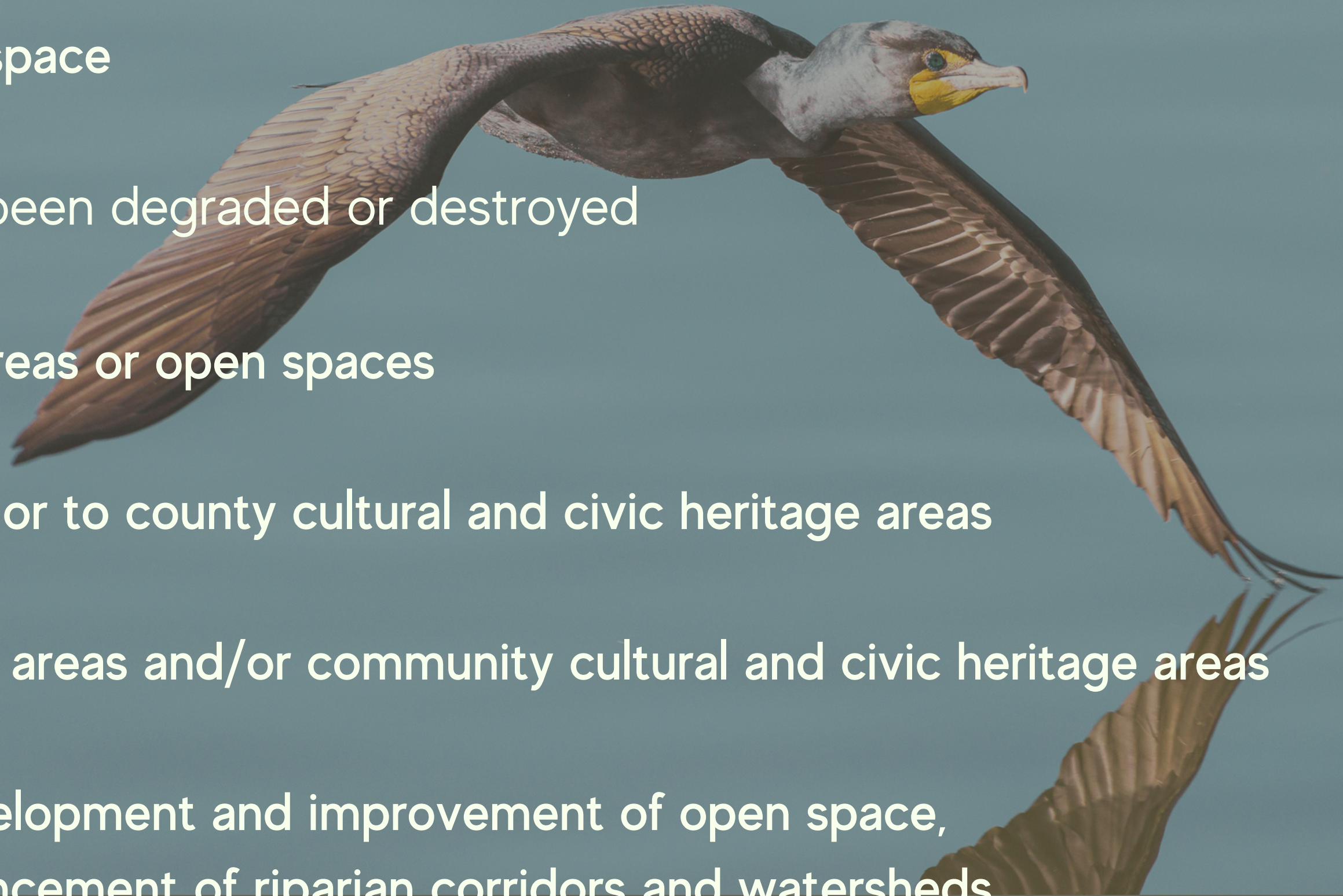
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- Guernsey
- Harrison
- Holmes
- Jefferson
- Tuscarawas





# District 14 Principles

- Preserve natural areas or open space
- Restore landscapes that have been degraded or destroyed
- Enhance the quality of natural areas or open spaces
- Link natural areas to each other or to county cultural and civic heritage areas
- Provide public access to natural areas and/or community cultural and civic heritage areas
- Projects must promote the development and improvement of open space, and/or the protection and enhancement of riparian corridors and watersheds





# Who Can Apply?

- Local Political Sub Divisions
- Counties
- Cities/Villages
- Townships
- Soil & Water Conservation Districts
- Joint Recreation Districts
- Park Districts/Authorities
- Non-profits – Must be environmental and conservation organization only to ensure nonprofits primarily serve to protect environmental and conservation interests.





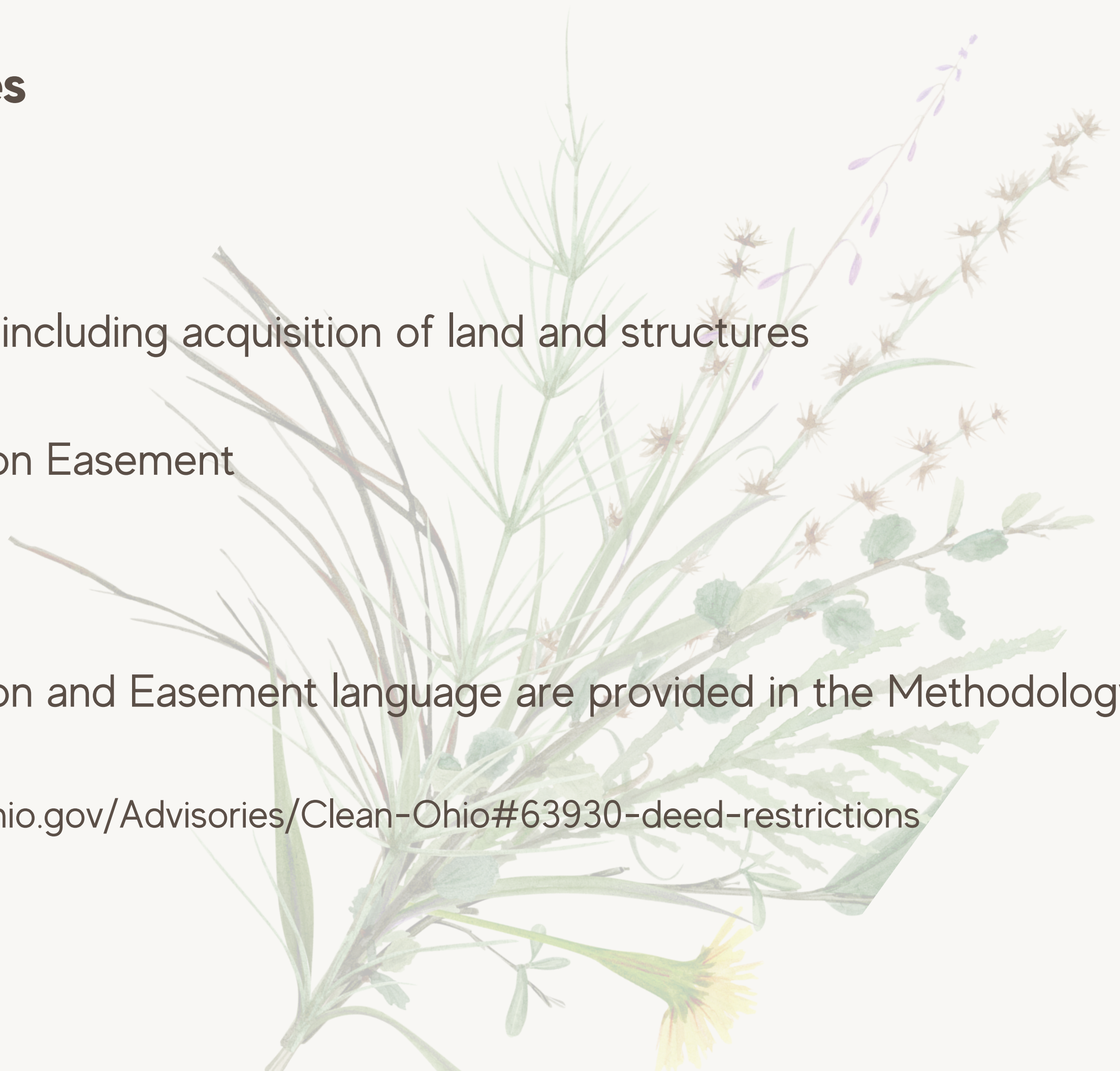
# Eligible Project Activities

## 1.) Acquisition

- Fee simple purchase - including acquisition of land and structures
- Easement purchase
- Transfer of Conservation Easement

The links for Deed Restriction and Easement language are provided in the Methodology

<https://www.pwc.ohio.gov/Advisories/Clean-Ohio#63930-deed-restrictions>





# INFORMATION TO INCLUDE IN THE DEED RESTRICTIONS

Please fill in the blanks in the deed restrictions with your information.

Put in all proposed improvements to the property to include:

“Eligible Improvements with Clean Ohio funds”

and/or

“Eligible Improvements without Clean Ohio funds”

in the draft Deed Restrictions in the Use &  
Development section.





# Eligible Project Activities

## 2.) Planning and Implementation

- Appraisals - Full or restricted appraisal required at time of application - District 14 will accept a Restricted Appraisal at the time of application - Must be converted to full appraisal if project is funded. (Must use ODOT Certified appraiser)
- Closing Costs
- Title Search
- Environmental Assessments
- Design
- Restoration

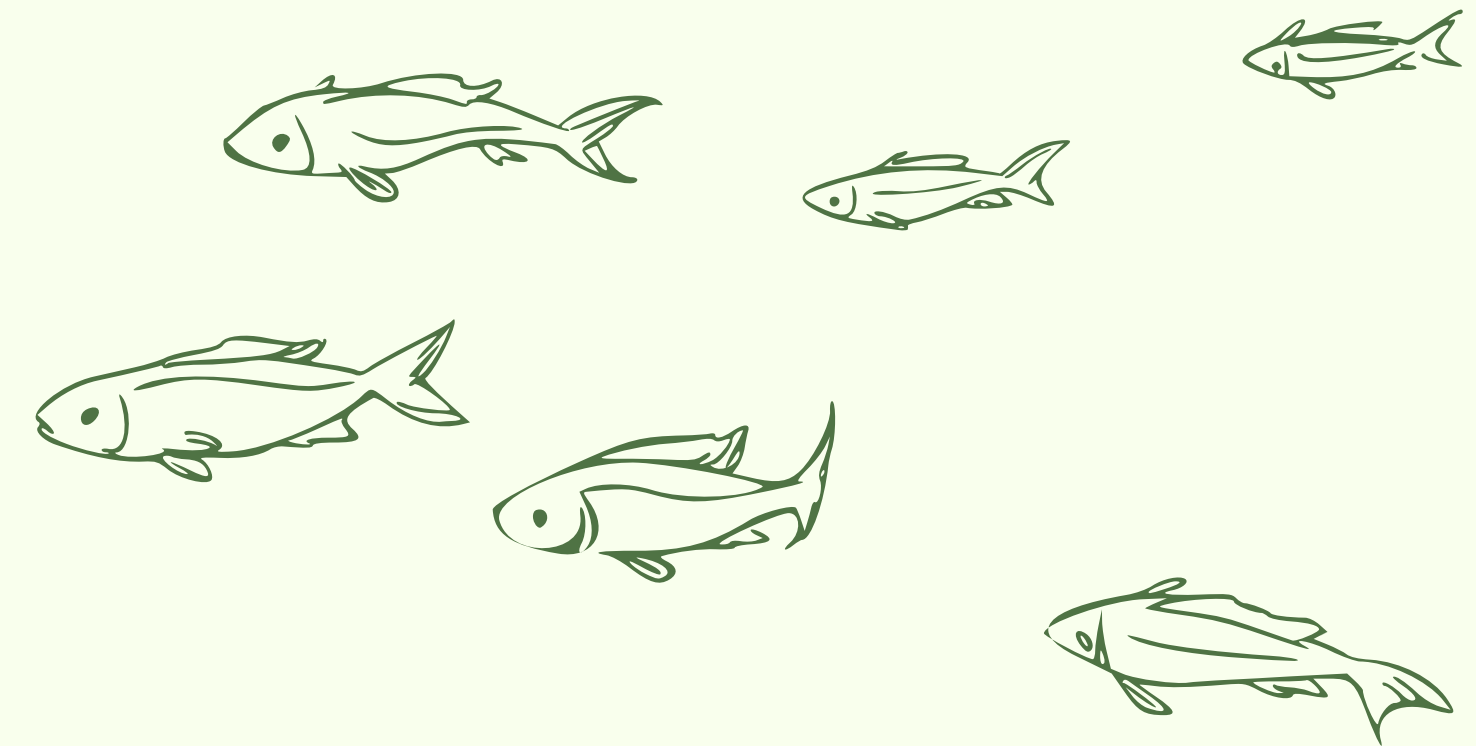




# New Eligible Activity!



Hydromodification projects that result in water quality improvement, including partnerships with projects funded by H2Ohio.





# ODOT Certified Appraisers

## APPRAISER INFORMATION

ODOT Prequalified Appraisers: Below is the link for ODOT's Office of Consultant Services. On the left side, scroll down to the bottom to the "Individual Prequalifications List" which takes you to a form with drop-downs. For "Category Group" check "Right of Way Acquisition Services" and for category choose either "Appraisal" or "Appraisal Review" according to the desired services.

<https://www.dot.state.oh.us/divisions/Engineering/consultant/Pages/default.aspx>







## **Eligible Project Activities**

### **2.) Planning and Implementation (Continued)**

- **Construction/Enhancement of Facilities**
  - **Can include demolition of structures on the property/enhancement to the facilities must be ADA compliant.**
- **Permits, necessary advertising, and other legal documents**
- **Surveys**





# **DISTRICT 14 METHODOLOGY**

**PLEASE READ IT!**

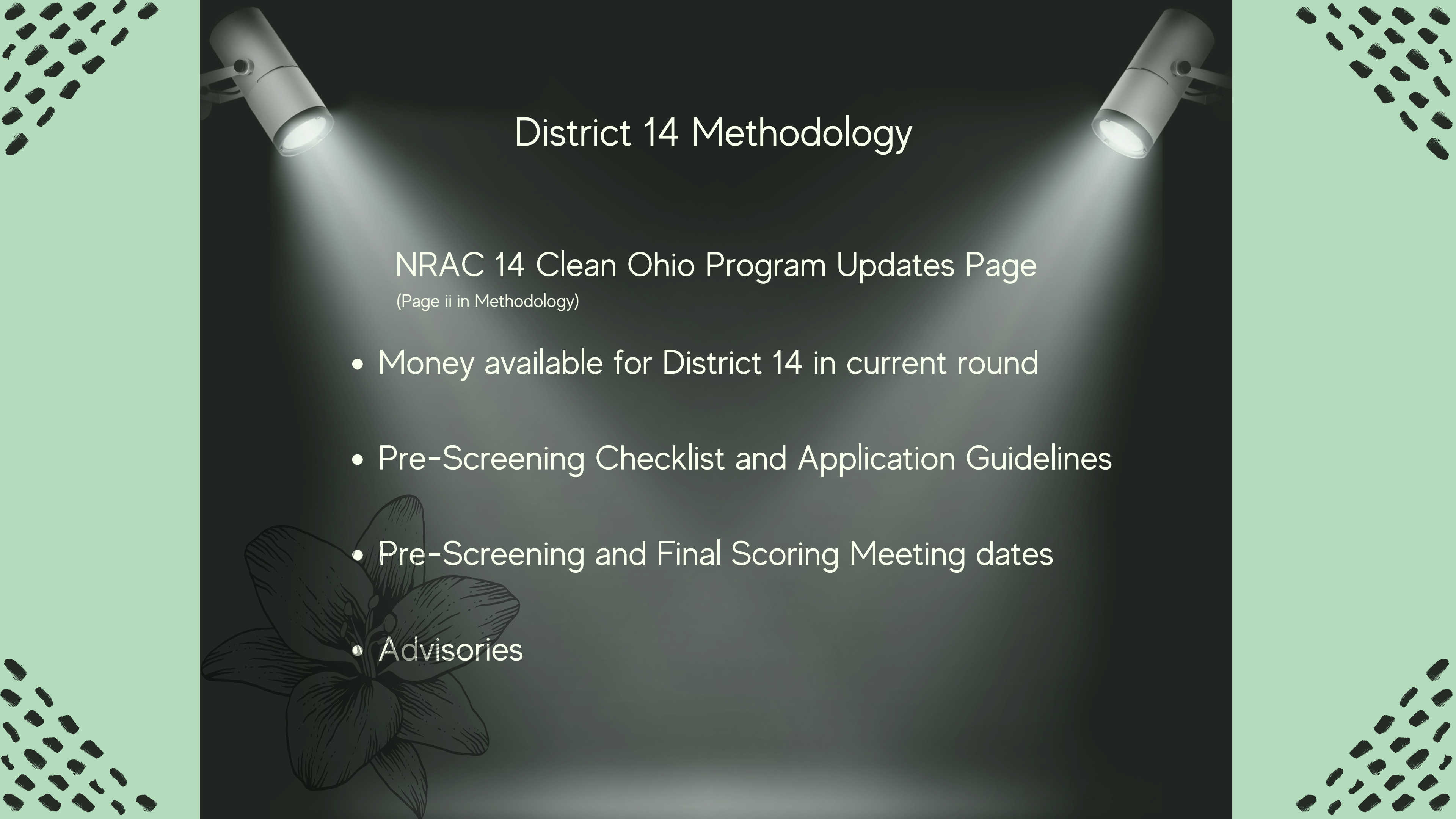





# District 14 Methodology

## NRAC 14 Clean Ohio Program Updates Page

(Page ii in Methodology)

- Money available for District 14 in current round
  - Pre-Screening Checklist and Application Guidelines
  - Pre-Screening and Final Scoring Meeting dates
  - Advisories
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## Round 17 Notes

District 14 Funds Available: \$ 2,609,418

Deadline for Pre-screening Checklist Submittal: August 8, 2022

Pre-screening Meeting: August 24, 2022

Last Date to Request Application Review: February 17, 2023

Application submitted in WorksWise: March 3, 2023



# District 14 Methodology

## Changes to the Application Process for Round 17-FY 2022/2023

- Electronic or paper copies of Pre-Screening documents will still be submitted to District 14 Liaison by the due date.
- Applicants will now be required to enter all application information into the WorksWise online portal.
- District 14 and OPWC will no longer accept paper copies of full applications.





# "WORKSWISE"

Request Access to WorksWise:

To request access to WorksWise, please contact Will Gaberle directly at:  
William.Gaberle@pwc.ohio.gov  
614-752-8117

You can access training materials and other information here:  
<https://www.pwc.ohio.gov/WorksWise>





## **WorksWise Tips**

**For preparation purposes only, paper copies of Clean Ohio applications are still available on OPWC's website here:**

**<https://www.pwc.ohio.gov/Portals/0/Documents/PWC0002.pdf?ver=2015-12-11-112710-457>**

**or**

**OMEGA's website here:**

**<https://omegadistrict.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/OPWC-Application.pdf>**



## District Specific Instructions

**While this section was not utilized during the last round, please be sure to check it before beginning your application in WorksWise for Round 17. I will put any instructions that are specific to District 14 in this section.**

District Specific Instructions ⓘ

<https://www.pwc.ohio.gov/CleanOhioFake>



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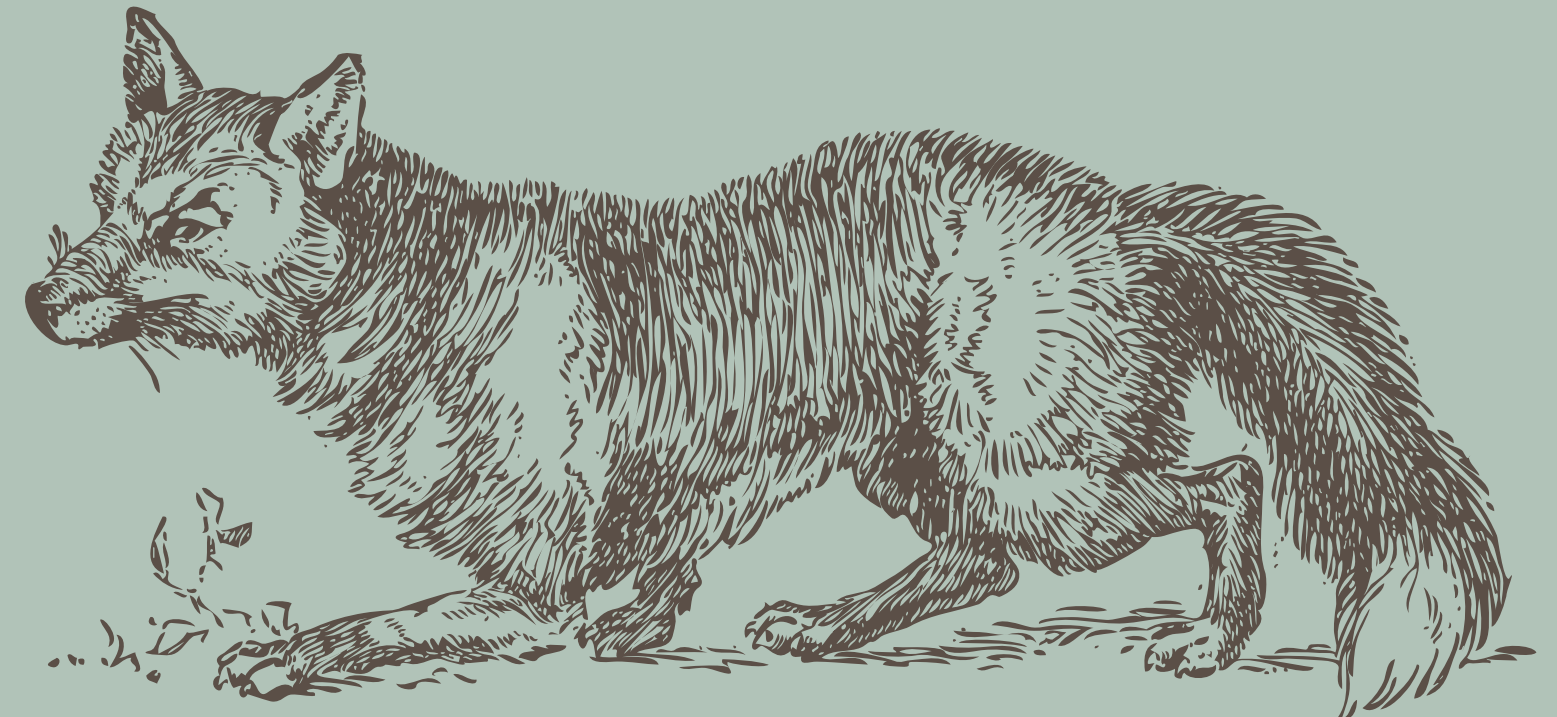
## OPWC Required Attachments for WorksWise

- Appraisals
- Authorizing Legislation
- CFO Certification
- Declaration of Restrictions
- Engineer's Estimate
- Project Map
- Purchase Contract / Letter of Intent
- All Resolutions of Support if Required

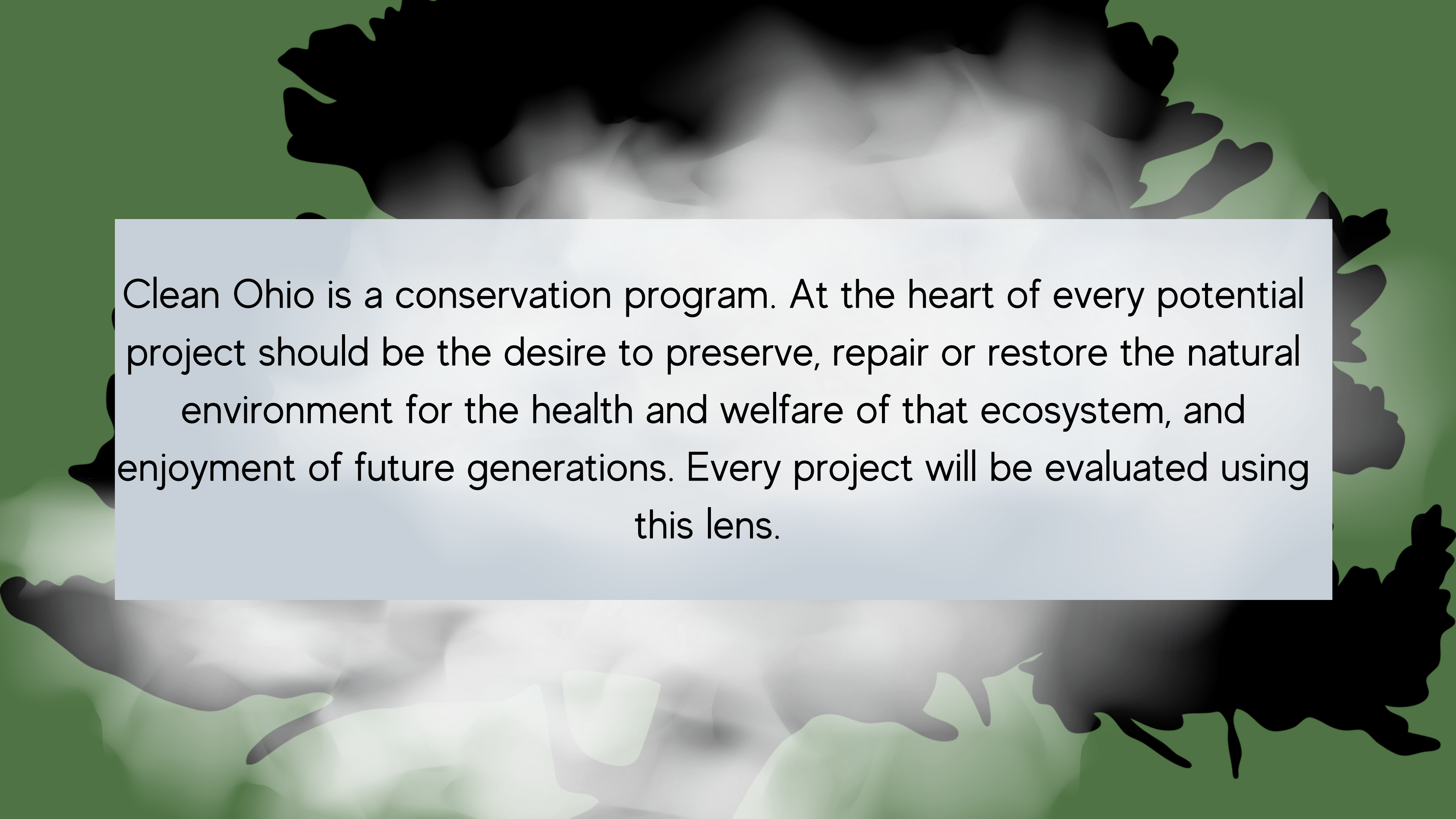


# District 14 Required Attachments for WorksWise

- Project Submission Checklist – Page 16 & 17 of Methodology
- NRAC 14 Scoring Methodology – Beginning on Page 18 of Methodology
- Supporting Narrative







Clean Ohio is a conservation program. At the heart of every potential project should be the desire to preserve, repair or restore the natural environment for the health and welfare of that ecosystem, and enjoyment of future generations. Every project will be evaluated using this lens.

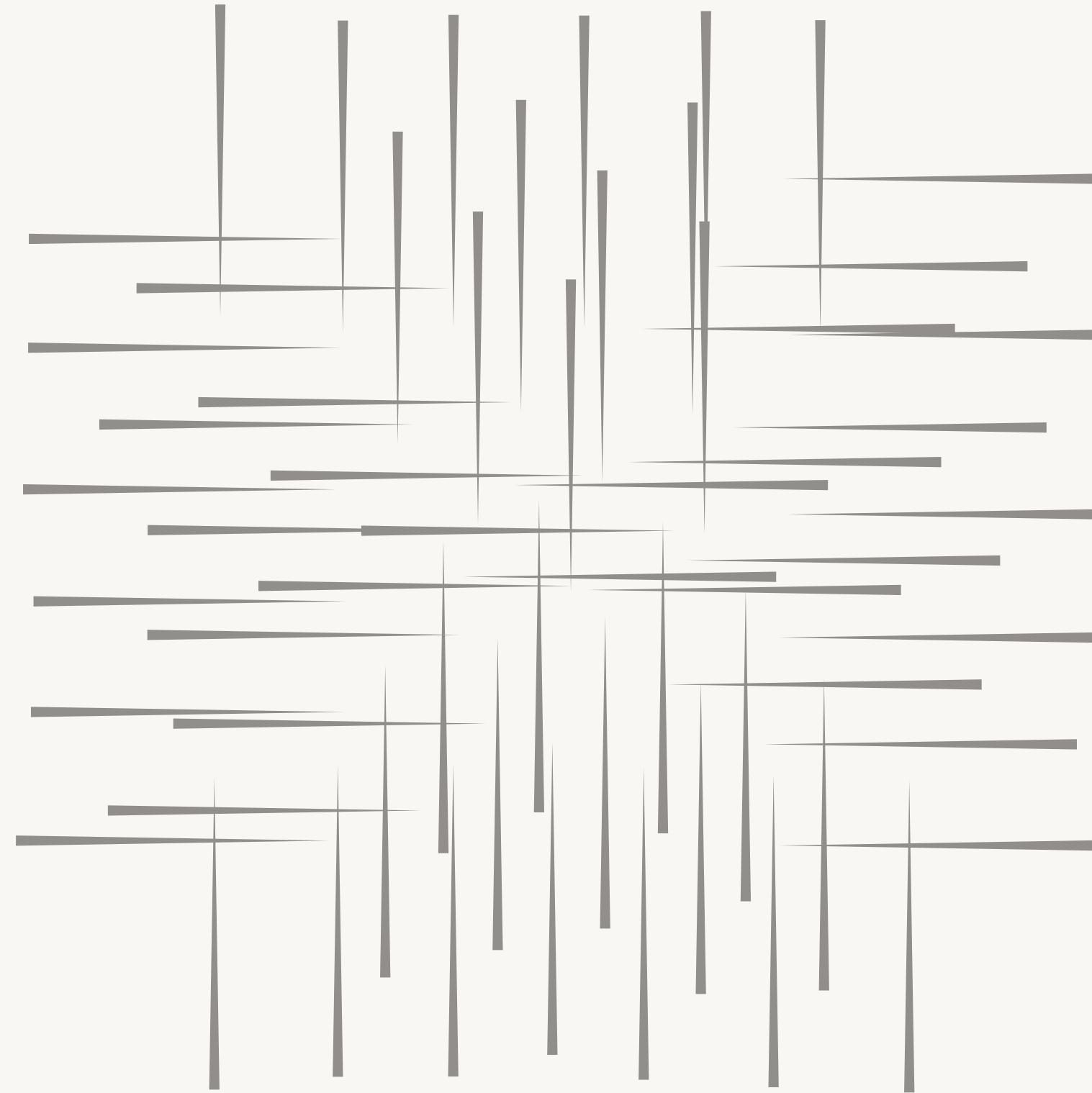


## Requesting Assistance/Review

- You will have plenty of time
- You can request assistance from:
  - Liaison
  - NRAC Members
  - OPWC Program Representative
- You may request review of your full application once it is upload as long as it is uploaded at least two weeks prior to the due date



# Questions?





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