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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

DR. TIM BORING
DIRECTOR

Notice of Drainage Board Meeting For Determination of Practicability

WHITMORE AND SOUTH BRANCH OF SWAN CREEK INTERCOUNTY DRAIN (Saginaw, Midland and Gratiot Counties)

DATE: December 5, 2024
TIME: 6:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Swan Valley High School, Old Auditorium
8400 O'Hern Road, Saginaw, Michigan

The Whitmore and South Branch of Swan Creek Intercounty Drain Drainage Board will meet at the above date, time and location to consider the petition, dated August 5, 2024, for maintenance and improvement of an intercounty drain, located in Lakefield, Richland and Jonesville Townships and the Village of Merrill in Saginaw County; Ingersoll Township in Midland County; and Wheeler Township in Gratiot County, pursuant to Chapter 8 of Public Act 40 of 1956, as amended, to determine the sufficiency of signatures on said petition, to go over the route of the intercounty drain, and to further determine whether the maintenance and improvement of the intercounty drain is practicable.

Proceedings conducted at this public meeting will be subject to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act. Public comment will be received at the meeting from anyone owning lands liable to an assessment, or whose lands will be crossed by the drain, or any municipality affected. Written comments may be submitted prior to the meeting, or additional information may be obtained from the following offices:


Brian Wendling
Saginaw County Public
Works Commissioner
111 S. Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, Michigan 48602
989-790-5258

Joseph Sova
Midland County Drain
Commissioner
220 W. Ellsworth St.
Midland, Michigan 48640
989-832-6770

Bernard J. Barnes
Gratiot County Drain
Commissioner
904 E. Center St.
Ithaca, Michigan 48847
989-875-5207

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Drain Commissioner of their County at the number listed above or through the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1 (TDD) at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

Dated: October 31, 2024


Brady Harrington, Deputy
For Dr. Tim Boring, Director
Michigan Department of Agriculture
and Rural Development

Please Sign Attendance Sheet

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AGENDA

Meeting to Determine Practicability of Petition for Proposed Maintenance and Improvements

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Swan Valley High School, 8400 O'Hern Road, Saginaw, Michigan
December 5, 2024 – 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Introduction of Drainage Board Members

Brady Harrington, Michigan Dept. of Agriculture & Rural Development
Brian Wendling, Saginaw County Public Works Commissioner
Joseph Sova, Midland County Drain Commissioner
Bernard J. Barnes, Gratiot County Drain Commissioner
3. Motion to elect secretary – Board Members
4. Approval of the agenda and meeting minutes
5. Reading of petition, explanation of procedures and voting rules – Chair
6. Motion on sufficiency of the petition – Board Members
7. Public comment and questions (**please complete a speaker card**)
 - Please state name and relation to proposed project
 - Limit comments to 5 minutes until everyone has their first opportunity to speak
 - Be specific/describe problems or desired changes
8. Board Members comments
9. Motion regarding practicability of the drain – Board Members
10. Motion to select an engineer or surveyor
11. Closing comments – Board Members
12. Adjourn