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## Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission

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**DATE:** January 23, 2025

**TO:** Commissioners/Proxies/All Attendees

**FROM:** Sam Dinkins, Executive Director *Samuel A. Dinkins*

**SUBJECT:** Transmittal of Resource Materials and Schedule for 241<sup>st</sup> Commission Meeting and 237<sup>th</sup> Technical Committee Meeting – Embassy Suites RiverCenter, Covington, Kentucky February 11-13, 2025

Enclosed for your information are the agendas, attachments and related resource documents for the upcoming 241<sup>st</sup> Commission Meeting, as well as the 237<sup>th</sup> Technical Committee (TEC) Meeting to be held both in-person and virtually on February 11-13, 2025 in Covington, Kentucky at the Embassy Suites RiverCenter. The hotel address is 10 East RiverCenter Boulevard in Covington, Kentucky 41011; the telephone number is 859-261-8400. Overnight self-parking in the attached garage at the hotel is complimentary for hotel guests (garage guide attached). Check-in time is 4:00 pm and check-out time is 11:00 am. Please note that overnight guests receive complimentary made-to-order breakfast in the breakfast area. We will also have breakfast breads, yogurt and fruit available in the meeting room in the morning.

The Technical Committee (TEC) Meeting will begin on Tuesday, February 11, starting at 1:00 pm and concluding at 5 pm. The Technical Committee will meet again Wednesday, February 12, starting at 8:30 am and concluding at noon. After a lunch break, there will be a Roundtable at 1:15 pm followed by an Executive Session for Commissioners and Proxies. The 241<sup>st</sup> Commission meeting will be held on Thursday morning, February 13, at 9:00 am (all times are ET).

Approximately one week prior to the meetings, Commissioners, Proxies, Technical Committee members, Advisory Committee members and interested parties receiving this agenda communication will automatically receive an email that includes detailed information and instructions on how to participate virtually. Those planning to attend in person can still expect to receive this email. Members of these groups do not need to register to attend virtually; however, members of the public and any other interested parties that are not already members of these groups will be required to register to attend virtually by Monday, February 10, 2025. To register, please visit [www.orsanco.org/registration](http://www.orsanco.org/registration) and submit the registration form. A link to register is also available on [www.orsanco.org](http://www.orsanco.org) under the "News" section.

Some additional background on the scheduled events and agenda items follow:

**Tuesday, February 11:**

- 12:00 Noon Lunch for Commissioners, TEC, guests and staff
- 1:00 P.M. Technical Committee Meeting – TEC’s meeting agenda includes: A USGS presentation on abandoned coal mine water quality in West Virginia; Update on 2024 Ohio River water quality conditions; Evaluation of the Proteus real-time monitor for bacteria; National Weather Service presentation on the Ohio River HEC-RAS Community Ohio River flow model; USEPA presentation on the Ohio River HABs predictive model; ORSANCO Biological and Source Water program updates; ORSANCO’s Monitoring Strategy; USEPA’s draft recommended human health PFAS criteria; TEC member reports; and Update on the Ohio River Basin restoration Initiative and Restoration Plan.
- 6:00 P.M. Dinner (optional) – To be determined

**Wednesday, February 12:**

- 7:30 A.M. Audit Committee Meeting (Audit Committee members)
- 8:30 A.M. – 12:00 Noon Technical Committee Meeting continues
- 12:00 Noon Lunch for Commissioners, TEC, guests and staff
- 1:15 P.M. – 2:30 P.M. Roundtable Issues Forum – Background information on the Forum topics follows:
1. Ohio River Basin Restoration Program: ORSANCO has worked over the past few years with numerous partners including the Ohio River Basin Alliance (ORBA), the USACE and the National Wildlife Federation on the development of the Ohio River Basin Restoration Plan. The final touches are being made to finalize the plan and the focus is now turning to the next steps. Craig Butler, Executive Director of the Muskingum Watershed Conservancy District and current Past-Chair of the Ohio River Basin Alliance, will brief the Commission on recent legislation introduced to Congress by Congressman McGarvey (KY-3) and Congresswoman Houchin (IN-9) which would create the Ohio River Basin Restoration Program to be administered through a Program Office established within the USEPA.

2. ORSANCO Communication Plan: Annette Shumard, Communications & Environmental Education Manager, will present on her team's efforts to develop a comprehensive ORSANCO Communications Plan. Feedback from Roundtable participants will be solicited to ensure the Plan meets stakeholder needs.

2:45 P.M. Executive Session of Commissioners – Commissioners/Proxies only

5:30 P.M. Chair's Reception

6:30 P.M. Dinner at Metropolitan Club

**Thursday, February 13:**

9:00 A.M. 241<sup>st</sup> Commission Meeting – Background information on some of the agenda items follows:

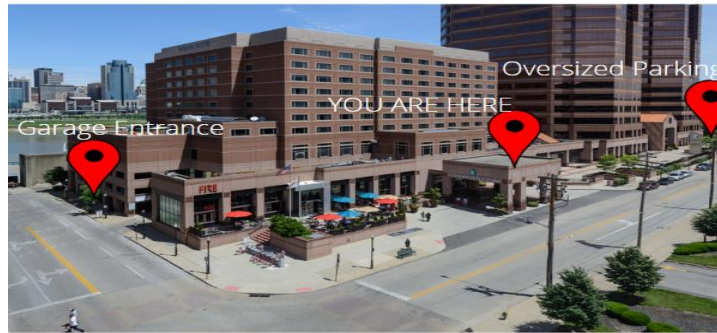
**Item 1** – The Chair will be providing his report including recognition of employees reaching 5-year employment milestones.

**Item 3** – A report by the Audit Committee Chair, John Hoopingarner and ORSANCO's Auditor will be given on ORSANCO's FY24 independent auditor report.

**Item 6** – A report by Technical Committee Chair, Scott Mandirola will be given on outcomes of the February 11-12 Technical Committee Meeting.

We look forward to meeting with you next month.

## Embassy Suites Rivercenter – Parking Guide



The lobby is located 1 floor above ground level. When entering from the front entrance you will need to enter the hotel, and take the first set of elevators to the “L” Lobby Level to reach the Front Desk.

### **Directions to the parking garage entrance:**

The garage entrance is located on the small street (Madison Ave) between Marriott and Embassy Suites. From the main entrance you will drive to the right of the building towards the Marriott, at the stop sign turn right, and the entrance for the garage is on the right.

Parking is available in the attached, covered garage connected to the Embassy Suites. Please do not park in the lot across the street, as we cannot validate those tickets.

### **Oversized parking:**

From the main entrance you will drive to the left and come to a stop sign. At that stop sign you will continue straight, as you come to the other side of the intersection you will take the only left. If you’ve gone under the bridge underpass, you’ve gone too far. Once you make the left, you will come through the parking turn style straight back to the flood wall, and turn left. Here you will find parking for oversized vehicles. If you continue straight you find additional oversized parking options.

### **ADA parking:**

Handicap parking is located on levels G1 (1 level below street level) & G4 of the Garage. G1/G4 level garage elevator goes directly to “SL” Street Level and “L” Lobby level.

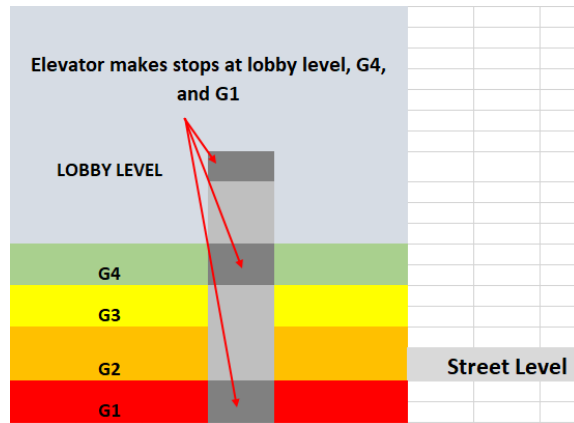
### **Entering the Embassy Suites from the parking garage:**

G1 and G4 levels have direct elevator access to our lobby. Follow the signs for the hotel entrance once in the garage.

If you park on G2 or G3 please note there is no direct access to the hotel, you will need to come up steps in order to get to the hotel elevator.

Take all elevators to “L” for Lobby Level to reach the Front Desk, and “SL” Street Level for the hotel entrance to Rivercenter Blvd.

## Embassy Suites Rivercenter – Parking Guide



**\*When you enter the garage a parking ticket will be printed for you. Each time you enter/exit the parking garage you will receive a new parking ticket that will need to be validated each time at the Front Desk\***



**241<sup>st</sup> Commission Meeting**  
**Embassy Suites RiverCenter**  
**Covington, Kentucky**  
**Virtual for Guests**  
**Thursday, February 13, 2025**  
**9:00 A.M. (ET)**

**Chair David Flannery, Presiding**

## **COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA**

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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**QUORUM CALL** – Commissioner Secretary/Treasurer Douglas Conroe

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### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

- Introduction of Guests and Staff
  - Comments by Guests on Commission Agenda Items
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### **COMMISSION ACTION ITEMS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. Report of the Chair – Commission Chair David Flannery
    - Recognition of Staff Reaching Five-Year Employment Milestones
    - Recognition of Indiana Commissioner Brian Rockensuess
    - Chair Comments
  2. Report of the Executive Director – Sam Dinkins
    - Executive Director Comments
  3. Report of the Audit Committee – Commissioner John Hoopingarner
  4. Action on Minutes of October 10, 2024 – Commissioner Douglas Conroe, Secretary/Treasurer
  5. Report of the Treasurer – Commissioner Douglas Conroe, Commission Secretary/Treasurer
  6. Report and Recommendations; February 11-12 Technical Committee Meeting – Commissioner Proxy Scott Mandirola, Committee Chair
  7. Report of the Personnel Committee – Commissioner George Elmaraghy, Committee Chair
  8. Report of the Water Users Advisory Committee – Chris Bobay, Committee Chair
  9. Report of the Public Information Advisory Committee – Betsy Mallison Bialosky, Committee Chair
  10. Report of the Watershed Organizations Advisory Committee – Heather Hulton VanTassel, Committee Chair
  11. Report of the Publicly Owned Wastewater Treatment Works Advisory Committee – Reese Johnson, Committee Chair
  12. Report of the Chemical Industry Advisory Committee – Kathy Beckett, Committee Chair
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### **OTHER BUSINESS**

- Comments by Guests/Others
- Upcoming Commission Meetings
  - June 10-12, 2025 Morgantown Marriott, Morgantown, West Virginia
  - October 7-9, 2025 TBD
  - February 10-12, 2026 TBD
- Adjourn

# OHIO RIVER VALLEY WATER SANITATION COMMISSION

## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

**241<sup>st</sup> Commission Meeting  
Embassy Suites RiverCenter  
Covington, Kentucky  
with Virtual for Guests  
February 11-13, 2025  
(All Times ET)**

<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>FUNCTION</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
<b><u>Tuesday, February 11, 2025:</u></b>		
10:30 A.M.	FORE Board Meeting (FORE Board members only)	Taylor Boardroom
12:00 P.M.	TEC Luncheon	Atrium
1:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.	TEC Meeting	Captain's View/ City View Ballroom
4:00 PM	Public Interest Advisory Committee Members Meeting (PIACO Members)	Taylor Boardroom
6:00 P.M.	Dinner (Optional)	TBD
<b><u>Wednesday, February 12, 2025:</u></b>		
7:30 A.M.	Audit Committee Meeting (Audit Committee Members)	Taylor Boardroom
8:30 A.M.	TEC Meeting – Continued	Captain's View/ City View Ballroom
12:00 P.M. – 1:00 P.M.	Lunch	Atrium
1:15 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.	Roundtable	Captain's View/ City View Ballroom
2:45 P.M.	Executive Session of Commissioners (Commissioners/Proxies only)	Captain's View/ City View Ballroom
5:30 P.M.	Chairman's Reception	NEAT Bar
6:30 P.M.	Dinner (Optional)	Metropolitan Club
<b><u>Thursday, February 13, 2025:</u></b>		
9:00 A.M.	Commission Meeting	Captain's View/ City View Ballroom

**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Report of the Chair	<b>Number:</b> 1
<b>Attachments:</b> • None	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Sam Dinkins		<b>Presentation by:</b> Chair David Flannery

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- Chair David Flannery will introduce a resolution honoring Indiana Commissioner Brian Rockensuess’s service to ORSANCO.
- Chair David Flannery will recognize ORSANCO staff members who have reached five-year employment milestones of dedicated service to ORSANCO including:
  - Jamie Tsiominas 5 years
  - Sam Dinkins 30 years
 Chair David Flannery will provide brief comments.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- None

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- Staff recommends that the Commission **adopt Resolution 1-25 to recognize Pennsylvania Commissioner Brian Rockensuess for distinguished service to the Commission, its partners and the citizens of the Ohio River Basin.**
- Recognition of five-year milestones is for information only.
- Chair comments are for information only.

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- The Chair presides at all meetings, appoints committees, signs all official orders or other official documents of the Commission, and performs all other duties appropriate to the office of the Chair of the Commission.
- The Vice Chair presides at the Commission Meeting in the absence of the Chair.
- The Chair serves as the Chair of the Executive Committee and may participate in the deliberations of any committee created by the Commission.
- The Chair’s term of office is July 1 through June 30.



**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Report of the Executive Director	<b>Number:</b> 2
<b>Attachments:</b> • None	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Sam Dinkins		<b>Presentation by:</b> Executive Director Sam Dinkins

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The Executive Director will provide a report on ORSANCO activities since the October 10, 2024 ORSANCO Commission Meeting.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- None

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- For information only

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- The Executive Director is the Chief Executive Officer of the Commission, and administrative head of the Commission staff.
- The Executive Director performs such duties including the signing of contracts as may be assigned by the Commission, the Chair or the Executive Committee.

**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Report of the Audit Committee	<b>Number:</b> 3
<b>Attachments:</b> • None	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Jenny Coldiron		<b>Presentation by:</b> Committee Chair John Hoopingarner

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- A single audit is being performed by Clark Schaefer Hackett for period ending June 30, 2024.
- The audit director from Clark, Schaefer will present the audit findings to the Audit Committee on February 12, 2025 and provide an opportunity to discuss the findings.
- The Audit Committee will report on the audit and outcomes of its February 12<sup>th</sup> meeting at the February 13, 2025 Commission meeting.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- None

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- Any Audit Committee recommendations from the February 12, 2025 meeting that need to be approved by the Commission will be presented at the Thursday, February 13, 2025 Commission meeting.

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- The Audit Committee shall be composed of at least three Commissioners. It shall review the outside auditor’s year-end report and shall present it to the Commission. It shall have authority to conduct an audit of all books and accounts of the Commission at any time. The Audit Committee, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission immediately prior to the beginning of each new fiscal year, shall present for approval by the Commission a recommendation for designation of a certified public accountant to serve as outside auditor for the next fiscal year.
- Current Committee members include Commissioners John Hoopingarner (Chair), Spencer Bruce (Pension Committee Chair), Douglas Conroe, John Kupke, David Miracle, Holly Christmann, Tom Branin.

**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Adoption of October 10, 2024 Commission Meeting Minutes	<b>Number:</b> 4
<b>Attachments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• October 10, 2024 Commission Meeting Minutes</li> </ul>	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Tracey Edmonds <b>Presentation by:</b> Commission Secretary/Treasurer Douglas Conroe		

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The draft minutes of the October 10, 2024 Commission meeting were prepared by staff and reviewed in draft form by Commission Secretary/Treasurer Douglas Conroe.
- The minutes were subsequently distributed to Commissioners on January 23, 2025.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

N/A

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- The Secretary/Treasurer recommends **adoption of the October 10, 2024 Commission meeting minutes as presented** because they reflect the proceedings of the meeting.

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

N/A

**OHIO RIVER VALLEY WATER SANITATION COMMISSION**

**MINUTES**

**240<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting  
Four Points by Sheraton  
Charleston, West Virginia  
Thursday, October 10, 2024**

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# OHIO RIVER VALLEY WATER SANITATION COMMISSION

## MINUTES

**240<sup>th</sup> Commission Meeting  
Four Points by Sheraton  
Charleston, West Virginia  
Thursday, October 10, 2024**

**Chair David Flannery, Presiding**

### Call to Order

Chair Flannery called the 240<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission to order at 9:00 A.M., Thursday, October 10, 2024.

Executive Director Harrison led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Quorum Call

Commissioner Douglas Conroe certified that a quorum was present (see Roster of Attendance, page 9).

### Report of the Chair

Commission Chair Flannery welcomed everyone to West Virginia. He recognized outgoing Chair John Hoopingarner and presented him with an ORSANCO flag set. Commissioner Hoopingarner thanked everyone, especially Richard who has offered tremendous leadership over the last 10 years and wished him the best for his future in his new career and thanked Chair Flannery for his exceptional work as Chair. Chair Flannery acknowledged two commissioners who have left and Richard Harrison presented their resolutions (Resolutions 9-24 and 10-24, Attachment II and III) and welcomed the two new commissioners – James Jennings of Illinois and Tommy Brannin of Virginia. Richard also presented the resolution for retiring staff member Joseph Gilligan (Resolution 8-24 Attachment I).

**ACTION:** Motion by Commissioner George Elmaraghy, second by Commissioner Tommy Brannin and unanimously carried, to adopt Resolution 8-24 as presented.

**ACTION:** Motion by Commissioner Proxy Scott Twait, second by Commissioner Joseph Harrison and unanimously carried, to adopt Resolution 9-24 as presented.

**ACTION:** Motion by Commissioner Douglas Conroe, second by Commissioner Mike Wilson and unanimously carried, to adopt Resolution 10-24 as presented.

Chair Flannery then introduced Sam Dinkins who has been selected as the new Executive Director. Sam has been with ORSANCO most of his career, has extraordinary background particularly in technical work, Master's Degree in Environmental Sciences and has run our technical programs including Emergency Response. He was extraordinarily impressive as he went through the interview process and the challenges that were presented to him about looking beyond the technical programs and the other opportunities there were at ORSANCO for his leadership and wanted to give him an opportunity to be recognized by the group and to offer a few words.

Sam thanked the Commission for this privilege and show of support. He thanked Richard who had been a mentor over the last 9.5 years and helped prepare him to take on this new role and Alan Vicory, Peter Tennant and Jason Heath who gave him his start 29 years ago as a new graduate out of Thomas More University. He thanked the tremendous staff and everyone for this privilege and honor and looks forward to working with them as a whole.

### **Report of the Executive Director**

Executive Director Richard Harrison then gave his last Executive Director report. He was appointed to this position on February 13, 2015 and has come a long way in nearly a decade. He was appreciative of the work with the Restoration Plan. There was a good roundtable discussion yesterday and through work with the Ohio River Basin Alliance and many countless other partners and staff, he believes we are moving in a good direction. He knows how difficult this is particularly for our states, as these geographic programs take a lot of resources and nothing about them are easy. He is hopeful to work with the state Commissioners and the Governor's offices to make this something very beneficial.

We were not successful this time for the Environmental Justice grant application. We were invited to get some feedback and resubmit.

He presented the annual report to Commissioners and we will send out the yearly e-mail asking them how they would like us to transmit it to their Governor.

He then took a few minutes to thank staff and ended his report by saying what an honor it has been leading this organization.

Chair Flannery asked the Commission if they would honor Richard by standing to thank him for his years of service and wished him well.

### **Permit Reviews**

Staff received and reviewed 7 NPDES permits (2 draft, 2 final and 3 modifications) to ensure compliance with provisions of ORSANCO's Pollution Control Standards. The reviews were completed in accordance with the established PCS Implementation Procedures. No issues identified with the permits reviewed which include the following:

1. Brunot Island Power, LLC (PA0031933) at Ohio River Mile (ORM) 1.9
2. Greenstar Pittsburgh, LLC (PA0255114) at ORM 32.7
3. Hancock County PSD (WV0101729) at ORM 50.4
4. Orion Engineered Carbons, LLC (OH0005665) at ORM 182.2
5. City of Huntington (WV0023159) at ORM 304.6
6. Mulzer Crushed Stone, Inc (IN0062243) at ORM 783
7. Sigeco AB Brown Generating Station (IN0052191) at ORM 817

### **Action on Minutes**

**ACTION:** Motion by Commissioner Conroe, second by Commissioner Mandirola and unanimously carried, that the minutes of the 239<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Commission, be adopted as presented.

**ACTION:** Motion by Commissioner Conroe, second by Commissioner Elmaraghy and unanimously carried, that the minutes of the September 30<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting of the Commission, be adopted as presented.

## **Report of the Treasurer**

Commissioner Douglas Conroe, provided the following report:

A Treasurer's report as of June 30, 2024 has been provided in your agenda materials for this meeting.

The report indicates a balance of \$1,194,686 in accounts receivable due the Commission. The balance represents \$1,074,654 due from federal sources, \$0 due from signatory states, and \$120,032 due from other sources.

Additionally, the report indicates receipts of \$3,678,965 plus carryover of \$3,906,746 totaling \$7,585,711 through the end of June 2024. Of that amount \$4,372,156 was expended on programs, leaving \$3,213,555 available for the continuation of ORSANCO's programs.

## **Foundation for Ohio River Education (FORE) Update**

Commissioner Douglas Conroe reported how privileged he is to serve on the Board of the Foundation for Ohio River Education (FORE). The Commission in 2004 envisioned the creation of the foundation which is designed to support ORSANCO and provide funding that ORSANCO cannot otherwise work into its budget but is needed in order to complete 106 matches and in order to fulfill other aspects of our Compact. That vision was augmented by another great vision of Richard Harrison when the Commission's communication staff also serves the foundation and Richard brought to the table a consummate communications professional in the name of Annette Shumard and she has totally reconfigured the communications and FORE staff arrangements to make a great symbiotic arrangement that is efficient.

Annette Shumard provided an overview regarding the status of developing ORSANCO's communication plan. This year Annette started conducting in person meetings with communication staff from each member state and strategic partners in order to create a basin-wide communication plan intended to incorporate a collaborative approach that ensures consistent joint messaging for member states, internal staff, general public, and stakeholders.

## **Report of the Technical Committee**

TEC Chair Scott Mandirola gave the following report:

The Technical Committee met for the 236<sup>th</sup> time over the last two days. Eight states, four federal agencies, and six advisories participated. A summary of the meeting follows:

### **USEPA's New Recommendations for Contaminants to Monitor in Fish and Shellfish**

Lisa Larimer, with EPA HQ, discussed EPA's new recommended contaminants to monitor in fish and shellfish, and the rationale for these recent changes. ORSANCO will be considering adding these to the Commission's fish tissue contaminants monitoring program as future budgets may allow.

### **Microplastics**

Amy Bergdale, USEPA Region 3, discussed EPA's Regional-ORD Applied Research Program's project to monitor microplastics in urban watersheds and the Chesapeake Bay. Heather Hulton VanTassel, with 3 Rivers Waterkeeper, discussed their Ohio River plastics monitoring efforts. ORSANCO will continue to evaluate the need for and ability to conduct plastics monitoring of the Ohio River.

### **PFAS in West Virginia's Public Water Supplies**

Mitch McAdoo, with USGS, West Virginia Science Center, presented on a project to understand the occurrence and distribution of PFAS in West Virginia's Public Water Supplies source water. The Ohio River alluvial aquifer shows higher levels of PFAS than much of the state. A follow up study of PFAS in finished water is underway.

### **Summary of Stream Gages and Monitoring in the Ohio River Basin**

Jeff Frey, USGS, IN-KY-OH Science Center, discussed the USGS's stream gage monitoring in the Ohio River Basin. Flow is a critical component in assessing water quality data. There are few flow gages on the Ohio River which are all operated by the USGS, and options were discussed on how additional stations might be added.

### **Freshwater Mussel Propagation in the Ohio Basin in Pennsylvania**

Andrew Phipps, with USFWS, White Sulphur Springs National Fish Hatchery, and Rick Spear, with PADEP, presented on a project to repopulate freshwater mussels lost in some of Pennsylvania's Ohio Basin waters. This project is an ongoing success story.

### **Long-Term Water Quality Trends in Indiana Streams**

Jessica Weir, with IDEM, presented on a project to identify long-term water-quality trends at 56 sites across Indiana. Increasing and decreasing trends were observed in select nutrients, metals, and ion concentrations for the 10-year period 2011 to 2020. ORSANCO will be considering Indiana's statistical approach in conducting a trends analysis on Ohio River water quality data.

### **Ohio River Basin Water Quality Trading Program and States' Updates on Nutrient Reduction Efforts**

Jessica Fox and Jeff Thomas, with EPRI, provided a status report on the Ohio River Basin Water Quality Trading Program. Since its inception in 2012, the Ohio River Basin Water Quality Trading project, developed by the Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) and a strong collaboration of power companies, wastewater utilities, farmers, state and federal agencies, and environmental organizations, has prevented over 300,000 pounds of nutrients from entering the waters of the Ohio River Basin through agricultural best management practices supported by private funding. Based on solid scientific foundations, this project has the potential to result in a multi-industry market that could accelerate cost-effective water quality improvements and provide important ancillary ecological benefits. As compliance drivers remain on the horizon in Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana, project partners have been exploring innovative opportunities for this robust framework to be used to meet individual or corporate stewardship goals and other purposes. Following that presentation, states reported on their nutrient reduction efforts, and discussion ensued on how to continue moving the project forward.

### **Report of the Monitoring Strategy Committee**

ORSANCO's Monitoring Strategy Committee has developed priorities for future monitoring efforts, as well as reviewed ORSANCO's current monitoring strategy. Those priorities will be documented in a revised ORSANCO monitoring strategy and will be continually reviewed by the committee and TEC as ORSANCO's budget may allow for additional monitoring. A question was raised about the priority listed for updated PCBs and Dioxin data which are used in impairment decisions. The Monitoring Strategy Committee will be reconvened to reconsider this issue.

### **Stream Impairment Compilation Map of the Ohio River Basin**

The stream impairment maps of the Ohio River Basin were presented at the June Technical Committee meeting. At that time, it was pointed out that many of the impairments are caused by bacteria levels exceeding recreational standards, and that much of what can be done to control bacteria levels is already being done. Therefore, it was requested that ORSANCO develop new maps which exclude bacteria impairments. These alternative impairment maps were presented to TEC.

### **Report of 2024 HABs and Algal Conditions in the Ohio River**

Greg Youngstrom provided an overview of 2024 HABs and algal conditions in the Ohio River. There was a local HAB event for a short period this summer in the Louisville area that generated a recreational advisory by Kentucky. Here was also a brief microcystis bloom on the Kentucky River near the Ohio River confluence.



## **Update Regarding ORSANCO's Communication Plan**

Annette Shumard provided an overview regarding the status of developing ORSANCO's communication plan. This year Annette started conducting in person meetings with communication staff from each member state and strategic partners in order to create a basin wide communication plan intended to incorporate a collaborative approach that ensures consistent joint messaging for member states, internal staff, general public, and stakeholders.

## **Report of the Water Users Advisory Committee (WUAC)**

Erica Pauken presented the following report for Committee Chair Bobay:

The Water Users committee last met on September 17 and 18, 2024.

### ODS Network

Staff gave a status update was on the Organics Detection System (ODS). Still waiting for the laboratory at Parkersburg to finish their renovations to install the new GCMS system. Louisville purchased their own GCMS system, so ORSANCO's system was moved to Paducah, which is an upgrade from FID detection to GCMS. Staff has been working on the application to receive the CDS funding that Senator Sherrod Brown (OH) was awarded on ORSANCO's behalf.

### Harmful Algal Bloom Update

A presentation on the status of algae and Harmful Algal Blooms (HAB) in the Ohio River was given by ORSANCO staff member Greg Youngstrom. Aulacoseira Bloom started in Maysville June 14, and again in Louisville on June 24. There was a Microcystis bloom on July 25 near Carrolton, but it didn't last. On August 1, there was Microcystis in Louisville over 400 ug/L toxins (the recreational advisory is 8ug/L). The advisory was lifted on August 22. There were no other detections from Huntington to Louisville during this time.

Benthic Cyanobacteria Study with USEPA. This is a nationwide study to test the theory of benthic algae feeding blooms. ORSANCO is working with the Cleveland Water Alliance, who has done their work on the Great Lakes, to set up a network of low cost sensors to remotely monitor the river with parameters such as Chlorophyll, pH, temperature, conductivity, turbidity, and oil in water. They found several potential locations throughout the greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky area. The Cleveland Water Alliance has a library of sensors that can be borrowed as well.

### Louisville Water Company- Taste & Odor, Algae, Methylisoborneol (MIB) & Geosmin

WUAC Chairman Chris Bobay gave a presentation regarding Louisville water Company's challenges with MIB and Geosmin taste and odor issues occurring in the Louisville area, as early as April. These events appeared to be unique to the Louisville area; Chris showed the group their response efforts with their community and the treatment techniques they used to mitigate the situation. They used a combination of different strategies from taste & odor panels, GCMS analysis and PAC dosing strategies.

Microcystis was also an issue in the Louisville area and caused concern because Louisville's was holding an Ironman event that involved swimming in the Ohio in the area that there were detections of microcystin toxin present on August 17. Prior to the event, The KYEP and KYDPH issued a recreational health advisory. The recreational water quality advisory for microcystin is 8 ug/L.

### Source Water Protection

ORSANCO staff, Lila Ziolkowski and Jamie Tsiominas, gave a 2023 Spills recap. Petroleum releases and unknown sheens are the predominant incident reports ORSANCO receives. Vessel related, fixed facility, and vehicle/train related were the most common sources and Equipment and operator failures remain the most common cause of releases based on NRC report data. Allegheny, McCracken and Hamilton Counties were the top counties in 2023 with most frequent spill reports. Nearly 70% of the time the amount released to water is not disclosed.

### ORSANCO Education Programs/FORE Overview

Sarah Segars, ORSANCO's Public Information and Outreach Coordinator, spoke to the group about current activities with the Foundation for Ohio River Education (FORE). This included overviews on the River Reach Floating classroom & Canoe program, RiverWatchers Citizen Science Volunteer monitoring program, the Mobile aquarium, and River Sweep Cleanup Initiative (the last sweep event is on October 25). Specific educational opportunities are designed to reach students in underserved communities. Awarded grants help defray the costs for students to attend in schools where there are free/reduced meals programs. This year, there have been 39 events with outreach connecting to 12,793 individuals.

### PWSA Use and Application of WaterSuite

Frank Davis from Pittsburgh Water and Sewer gave a demonstration on the WaterSuite tool from Corona Environmental. Initially funded by USEPA, this product is now available through a fee-based subscription service. This product compiles publicly available datasets to provide a comprehensive tool that collects information on chemical storage, potential threats and risks in zones of concern near utilities. Some WUAC participants are using this tool in their Source Water Protection programs.

### Use of PAC in PFAS Removal

Chris Bobay, Louisville Water Company, gave a presentation for about Powder Activated Carbon (PAC) for PFAS removal. They discovered a seasonal pattern with PFOA individual samples above final MCL. Highest peaks seen between September to October each year. Could this be a low flow trend? GAC costs around \$265.9 million, but annual PAC carbon is about \$4.9 million. They also found wood-based PAC is most effective on PFOA removal and long chain PFAS, but not great for Gen X removal. All PAC types help with taste and odor compounds though. They also found that coagulants have negative effects for removal of PFOA by causing interference.

Louisville Water has also purchased an LC-MS-MS made by Waters brand, which gives them a 1 day lag time for sample results (running method 533). KYDEP also has LC-MS capability (Agilent brand) which is a good back up resource to have in Kentucky.

### Next Meeting

The Committee will meet again on January 28 and 29, 2025.

### **Report of the Public Information Advisory Committee**

Committee Chair, Betsy Mallison Bialosky, reported the following:

PIACO met this week. We brainstormed the strategic communication plan. Staff has been meeting with state public information officer (PIOs). PIACO recommends that the annual group meetings with the state PIOs and emergency response staff resume. They were discontinued after COVID. These relationships are invaluable during crisis situations – much like the Ohio train derailment that impacted two states.

Additionally, we discussed working more closely with the tech committee to learn about key issues and then develop standby statements to be proactive, rather than reactive, with regional media and stakeholders.

PIACO will continue to support the great communication staff as we work to complete the Regional Communication Strategic Plan. This plan is to be presented at the February Commission meeting.

### **Report of the Watershed Organizations Advisory Committee (WOAC)**

Heather Hulton VanTassel, Committee Chair, presented the following report:

Thank you for the time and consideration when it comes to hearing from the Watershed Organizations across the Ohio River Basin.

We would like to thank ORSANCO for expanding their focus on plastics and PFAS as emerging contaminants and increasing efforts around those contaminants.

We look forward to helping advocate for the Ohio River Basin Restoration Plan and federal designation as a collective. We would like to emphasize the importance of recognizing the threats and challenges of our basin, including legacy and current industrial pollution in our watersheds. While it can be politically challenging to bring light to these ongoing pollution sources, we cannot come together as a watershed to resolve these issues without first addressing the problem. The Ohio River Basin is worth restoring and protecting, and addressing industrial pollution is a necessary step towards progress.

We are still working through the Monitoring Network and Assessment Strategy. However, we would like to provide some initial feedback for consideration. We are glad to see ORSANCO addressing PFAS as an emerging contaminant. Nevertheless, it would be helpful to confirm the reporting level for this assessment strategy. We also recognize that many people within ORSANCO understand the intricacies of the way ORSANCO monitors and assesses our waters; however, we request a more detailed and clear methodology so that those not involved can fully understand the efforts underway. We also recommend taking advantage of the abundance of data collection ORSANCO and consider providing a publicly accessible dataset that is readily available without request.

### **Report of the Publicly Owned Wastewater Treatment Works Advisory Committee (POTW)**

Jim Gibson, the Director of Water Resources for SD1 – which is the regional storm water and wastewater utility for NKY...presented the following report for POTW Chair Reese Johnson, Cincinnati MSD:

The most recent POTW Advisory Committee Meeting was held on September 18, 2024 with representatives from Huntington, Cincinnati, NKY, Louisville, and Evansville.

The main agenda item was a discussion of USEPA's newest guidance affecting CSO Communities titled: *Draft Guidance for Future NPDES Permitting of Combined Sewer Systems*. While not all communities represented are party to a federal consent decree, all have CSO's and are implementing Long-Term Control Plans or regulated through their NPDES permit. The meeting provided an excellent forum for CSO communities along the Ohio River to share their experiences. While some communities are well along with their LTCP implementation, others are still further from the finish line. Regardless, there was universal resistance to the draft guidance document. 8 CSO communities in Kentucky prepared joint comments to USEPA, and both Ohio EPA and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management submitted comments on behalf of their respective states. All requested the withdrawal or rescission of the document and called for collaborative dialogue with the States and communities regarding CSO control policy and their continued financial burden.

The Advisory Committee is not endorsing a particular POTW's or state's position, rather desiring to inform the commission of the activities on this topic.

The committee had hoped to also hear the details of a demonstration project for low-cost water quality sensors with internet access points that ORSANCO is working on with the Cleveland Water Alliance and Limno-Tech. The internet access points, which includes the installation of 7 gateways in the Cincinnati area, are low bandwidth, line of site, and can handle the input from up to 1,000 sensors. Once installed, agencies can be provided an account that could access their own sensors attached to the gateways (at utility buildings, schools, etc.). Unfortunately, the project team representatives could not make the meeting, so we have rescheduled this topic to be discussed at our next meeting in January.

Looking ahead, we discussed a possible joint meeting of the POTW and Water Users Advisory Committees in May 2025. This would be a 2-day meeting in person where the main topic of concern would be possible PFAS regulations.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 23, 2025.

### **Report of the Chemical Industry Advisory Committee**

Kathy Beckett, Committee Chair, gave the following report:

Kathy Beckett first and foremost offered on behalf of the committee their extraordinary gratitude for all of Richard Harrison's leadership of ORSANCO over the years.

The Industry Committee had met via email over the past several months. Certain members indicated they would be submitting comments to the monitoring plan. The Committee will continue to monitor issues and invites other committees to reach out when we might assist.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

Chair Flannery noted the following schedule for upcoming Commission meetings:

- February 11-13, 2025 – Covington, Kentucky
- June 10-12, 2025 – Morgantown, West Virginia
- October 7-9, 2025 – TBD

### **Adjournment**

The 240<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Commission was adjourned at 10:39 A.M.

Minutes approved by:

*Insert Signature Once Approved at Commission Meeting*

Douglas Conroe, Secretary/Treasurer

Prepared by Tracey Edmonds

## ROSTER OF ATTENDANCE

### Commissioners

Illinois Scott Twait (PROXY for Director James Jennings)  
Toby Frevert

Indiana Martha Clark Mettler (PROXY for Commissioner Brian Rockensuess) – Virtual  
Joseph Harrison, Jr.  
John Kupke – Virtual

Kentucky John Lyons (PROXY for Lt. Governor Jacqueline Coleman) – Virtual  
Sarah Jon Gaddis (PROXY for Secretary Rebecca Goodman) – Virtual  
Spencer Bruce – Virtual

New York Douglas Conroe  
Mike Wilson

Ohio Melinda Harris (PROXY for Director Anne Vogel) – Virtual  
John Hoopingarner  
Holly Christmann – Virtual

Pennsylvania Sue Weaver (PROXY for Interim Acting Secretary Jessica Shirley) – Virtual  
Bruce Herschlag

West Virginia Scott Mandirola (PROXY for Secretary Harold Ward)  
David Flannery  
Ron Potesta

Virginia Jeff Hurst (PROXY for Director Michael Rolband) – Virtual  
Lou Ann Wallace  
Thomas Branin

Federal George Elmaraghy  
Tom FitzGerald – Virtual  
David Miracle

Legal Counsel Aaron Herzig

### Executive Director

Richard Harrison

### Staff

Ryan Argo, Elizabeth Burton (virtual), Stacey Cochran (virtual), Jennifer Coldiron, Sam Dinkins, Tracey Edmonds (virtual), Jason Heath, Rachel Toney (virtual), Adam Scott, Sarah Segars (virtual), Annette Shumard, Jamie Tsiominas (virtual), Greg Youngstrom (virtual), Lila Ziolkowski (virtual)

### Guests

Kathy Beckett Chemical Industry Advisory Committee  
Betsy Mallison Bialosky PIACO  
Erich Emery USACE  
Jim Gibson POTW  
John Hirschfield (virtual) Westlake Corporation  
Tiffani Kavalec Ohio EPA  
Erica Pauken WUAC  
Heather Hulton  
VanTassel (virtual) WOAC

**RESOLUTION 8-24**

**RECOGNITION OF SERVICE**

**Joseph Gilligan**

**WHEREAS:** Joseph Gilligan has provided dedicated service from November 6, 1991 to September 30, 2024 to the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission, and

**WHEREAS:** It is the intention of the Commission to recognize Joseph Gilligan for his distinguished record of service and his effective use of knowledge and experience to commendably and to the very best of his ability serve the Commission, its partners and citizens of the Ohio River Basin, and

**WHEREAS:** During his 33-year career, Joe contributed greatly to many ORSANCO programs and initiatives including, but not limited to: overseeing all aspects of federal and state grants, fiscal oversight, financial reporting, and

**WHEREAS:** Joe has earned the esteem and friendship of Commissioners, numerous committee members, and his fellow staff members,

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** The Commissioners of the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission express their heartfelt gratitude to Joseph Gilligan for his dedicated service, and extends best wishes to Joe for success in all his future endeavors.

**RESOLUTION 9-24**

**RECOGNITION OF SERVICE**

**John Kim**

**WHEREAS:** John Kim has served the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission as a representative of the State of Illinois for 5 years, and

**WHEREAS:** Commissioner Kim's efforts to advancing the goals of the Commission have contributed to the environmental and water pollution control efforts throughout the Ohio River Basin, and

**WHEREAS:** By his commitment to clean water, Commissioner Kim's knowledge helped advance the Commission's goals, and

**WHEREAS:** Commissioner Kim's contributions to the Commission will be missed,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** The Commissioners of the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission express their esteem and appreciation to Mr. Kim for his service and extend their best wishes for future endeavors.



**RESOLUTION 10-24**

**RECOGNITION OF SERVICE**

**Basil Seggos**

**WHEREAS:** Basil Seggos has served the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission as a representative of the State of New York for 8 years, and

**WHEREAS:** Commissioner Seggos' efforts to advancing the goals of the Commission have contributed to the environmental and water pollution control efforts throughout the Ohio River Basin, and

**WHEREAS:** By his commitment to clean water, Commissioner Seggos' knowledge helped advance the Commission's goals, and

**WHEREAS:** Commissioner Seggos' contributions to the Commission will be missed,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** The Commissioners of the Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission express their esteem and appreciation to Mr. Seggos for his service and extend their best wishes for future endeavors.



**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Report of the Treasurer	<b>Number:</b> 5
<b>Attachments:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Treasurer’s Report as of September 30, 2024</li> </ul>	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Nick Guthier/Jennifer Coldiron <b>Presentation by:</b> Secretary/Treasurer Douglas Conroe		

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- ORSANCO’s Comptroller compiles Fiscal Year to Date ORSANCO financial data in both short form and in detailed spreadsheet format to be presented to the Commission.
- The Treasurer’s Report as of September 30, 2024 indicates that the Commission has accounts receivable totaling \$2,726,691.
- The receipts of \$1,959,686 plus the carryover of \$3,873,293 totals \$5,832,979 through the end of September 2024. Of that amount, \$1,121,001 was expended on programs, leaving resources of \$4,711,978 available for the continuation of ORSANCO’s programs.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- The Treasurer’s Report provides a financial snapshot for the period covered in the report.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- Information Only

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- The Treasurer has custody of all funds of the Commission and makes reports to Program & Finance and to the Commission.
- The Program & Finance Committee met on April 17, 2024 to review staff’s recommend budget for fiscal year 2025.
- The Commission adopted the Program & Finance Committee’s recommendation to approve the fiscal year 2025 budget at its June 13, 2024 Commission Meeting.

# Memo

## Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission

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**Agenda Item 5  
241<sup>st</sup> Commission Meeting  
February 13, 2025**

**DATE:** January 24, 2025  
**TO:** Commissioners  
**FROM:** Douglas Conroe  
**SUBJECT:** Treasurer's Report as of September 30, 2024

The Treasurer's Report is presented in both the short form and the detailed spreadsheet format.

The report indicates that the Commission has accounts receivable totaling \$2,726,691 at the end of September 2024. The balance in accounts receivable is detailed as follows:

Federal Sources	\$1,347,852	106 WPC Grant
	434,490	Monitoring Initiative & NRSA
	4,041	Hypoxia Task Force
	59,224	OH EPA 604(b) WQ Monitoring
	36,737	WV WQMP Bacteria Trends
	7,484	IDEM Fish Tissue Collection
	<u>208,516</u>	IDEM 604(b) Continuous Monitoring
	\$2,098,344	
Signatory States	\$14,200	New York
	396,200	Ohio
	<u>149,200</u>	West Virginia
	\$559,600	
Other Sources	\$35,095	Ohio River Sweep
	<u>23,497</u>	Foundation for Ohio River Education
	\$68,747	

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# The Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission Treasurer's Report

Through September 30, 2024

<u>RESOURCES</u>	Carryover @ 7-1-24	Earned Income	Total	FY25 Budget	% Budget	Resources @ 9/30/24
Carryover July 1, 2024						
Restricted Operating Reserve Funds	\$600,000		\$600,000	\$600,000		\$600,000
Building & Equipment Capital Account	\$250,000	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000		\$225,633
ODS Equipment Capital Account	\$319,298	\$0	\$319,298	\$191,399		\$319,298
Restricted Program Funds	\$175,626	\$0	\$175,626	\$180,114		\$240,549
Unrestricted Funds	\$2,528,369	\$0	\$2,528,369	\$2,520,044		\$3,326,498
Prepaid Expense	<u>\$0</u>		\$0			
States		\$1,497,900	\$1,497,900	\$1,497,900		
US EPA						
106 Grant Federal FY 24		\$221,216	\$221,216			
106 Grant Federal FY 25		\$0	\$0	\$1,376,000		
Other Federal Grant Programs						
Monitoring Initiative & NRSA		\$77,709	\$77,709	\$210,840		
IDEM 604(b) Continuous Monitoring		\$0	\$0	\$150,000		
IDEM Fish Tissue Collection		\$3,725	\$3,725	\$27,881		
OEPA 604(b) ODS Data		\$30,608	\$30,608	\$98,000		
WV604(b) WQMP Bacteria Trends		\$11,737	\$11,737	\$43,403		
Hypoxia Task Force BIL		\$16,474	\$16,474	\$100,142		
Non-Federal Projects						
Ohio River Sweep (FORE)		\$10,155	\$10,155	\$55,757		
Foundation for Ohio River Education		\$23,497	\$23,497	\$87,537		
Ohio River Basin Alliance		\$0	\$0	\$0		
Ohio River Sourcewater Protection		\$0	\$0	\$235,000		
EPRI WQ Trading Landowner Funding		\$0	\$0	\$0		
Other Non-Federal Projects		\$64,992	\$64,992	\$125,780		
Other Income		\$1,673	\$1,673	\$15,000		
Total Resources	<u>\$3,873,293</u>	<u>\$1,959,686</u>	<u>\$5,832,979</u>	<u>\$7,764,797</u>	75.1%	<u>\$4,711,978</u>
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>						
Personnel Expenses			\$594,822	\$2,599,097	22.9%	
Travel			\$60,336	\$321,105	18.8%	
Supplies			\$79,615	\$285,557	27.9%	
Telephone			\$2,669	\$13,008	20.5%	
Equipment			\$26,040	\$99,000	26.3%	
Office & Utilities			\$6,104	\$23,880	25.6%	
Equipment Repairs & Maintenance			\$12,382	\$92,812	13.3%	
Contractual Services			\$230,467	\$850,362	27.1%	
Printing & Reproduction			\$4,759	\$9,400	50.6%	
Lab Fees & Deliveries			\$100,056	\$310,108	32.3%	
Bad Debt/Fraudulent Charges			\$3,750	\$0		
Total Expenses			<u>\$1,121,001</u>	<u>\$4,604,329</u>	<u>24.3%</u>	
<u>RESOURCES AVAILABLE</u>			<u>\$4,711,978</u>			

**OHIO RIVER VALLEY WATER SANITATION COMMISSION  
 COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES  
 AND AVAILABLE RESOURCES - ALL FUNDS  
 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

RESOURCES	ORSANCO GENERAL ACCOUNT	Internal WPC	106 WPC	EMAP Training	Monitoring Initiative & NRSA	Stream Gauge Transfer	EPRI WQ Trading Landowner Funding	Hypoxia Task Force
Carryover on July 1, 2024	\$0.00	\$0	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$35,286	\$49,934	\$0
Prepaid Maintenance		\$0						
<b>INCOME</b>								
State Funding	\$1,497,900							
PA DEP								
Other Program Funding	\$0.00	\$0				\$64,923	\$0	\$0
U.S. EPA		\$34,390	\$186,826		\$77,709			\$16,474
In-Kind Services								
Transfer of River Users Funds to Programs								
Transfer of State Funds to Programs	(\$696,752.70)	\$295,332	\$303,991	\$0	\$63,895	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfer of Other Funds to Programs		\$0						
Transfer of Unrestricted Funds								
Miscellaneous	\$0							
Interest								
Fines and Settlements	\$0	\$0						
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>\$801,147</b>	<b>\$329,722</b>	<b>\$490,817</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$141,604</b>	<b>\$100,209</b>	<b>\$49,934</b>	<b>\$16,474</b>
<b>ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>								
USEPA		\$160,480	\$1,187,372	\$0	\$434,490			\$4,041
Signatory States	\$559,600							
Other Program Funding		\$0		\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES LESS A/R</b>	<b>\$241,547</b>	<b>\$169,242</b>	<b>(\$696,555)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$292,886)</b>	<b>\$100,209</b>	<b>\$49,934</b>	<b>\$12,433</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
Payroll	\$87,890.68	\$84,111	\$140,121	\$0	\$37,931	\$0	\$0	\$5,917
Employee Benefits	\$69,075	\$37,657	\$62,732	\$0	\$16,982	\$0	\$0	\$2,649
Staff Travel	\$2,940	\$4,826	\$13,090	\$0	\$26,459	\$0	\$0	\$1,221
Commission Travel	\$6,700	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Advisory Committee Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Associations & Memberships	\$12,218	\$0	\$79	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies	\$15,482	\$12,945	\$7,169	\$0	\$3,389	\$0	\$0	\$34
Telephone	\$2,513	\$156	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rent	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Utilities	\$6,104	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment Maintenance	\$1,673	\$3,727	\$727	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Facility Maintenance	\$5,924	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Vehicle, Building, Equipment Insurance	\$19,529	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Shipping & Delivery	\$73	\$1,309	\$5,258	\$0	\$86	\$0	\$0	\$309
Reproduction	\$2,170	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Printing	\$0	\$2,589	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contractual Services	\$18,888	\$99,342	\$49,069	\$0	\$20,541	\$0	\$0	\$0
Lab Analysis	\$0	\$2,750	\$78,784	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$696
Legal & Accounting Fees	\$12,467	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Theft/Vandalism	\$3,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bad Debt/Fraudulent Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$267,397</b>	<b>\$249,412</b>	<b>\$357,029</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$105,387</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,825</b>
<b>IN-KIND SERVICE</b>								
<b>INDIRECT EXPENSE ALLOCATION</b>	<b>(\$288,779)</b>	<b>\$80,309</b>	<b>\$133,787</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$36,217</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$5,649</b>
<b>TOTAL DIRECT &amp; INDIRECT EXPENSES</b>	<b>(\$21,382)</b>	<b>\$329,722</b>	<b>\$490,817</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$141,604</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$16,474</b>
Balance before Transfers & Adjustments	\$822,529	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$100,209	\$49,934	(\$0)
Prepaid Maintenance	\$0							
Interfund Transfer	(\$822,529)	\$0		\$0				
<b>BALANCE - Resources - Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$100,209</b>	<b>\$49,934</b>	<b>(\$0)</b>

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RESOURCES	WV WQMP Bacteria Trends	OH EPA WQ Monitoring ODS	IDEM Fish Tissue Collection	IDEM 604(b) Continuous Monitoring	Ohio River Source Water Protection	Sweep	Foundation for Ohio River Education	Ohio River Basin Alliance
Carryover on July 1, 2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$80,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,406
Prepaid Maintenance								
<b>INCOME</b>								
State Funding								
PA DEP								
Other Program Funding	\$0				\$0	\$10,155	\$23,497	\$0
U.S. EPA	\$11,737	\$30,608	\$3,725	\$0				
In-Kind Services								
Transfer of River Users Funds to Programs								
Transfer of State Funds to Programs		\$0	\$0	\$31,323	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Transfer of Other Funds to Programs					\$0			
Transfer of Unrestricted Funds								
Miscellaneous								
Interest								
Fines and Settlements					\$0			
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>\$11,737</b>	<b>\$30,608</b>	<b>\$3,725</b>	<b>\$31,323</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$10,155</b>	<b>\$23,497</b>	<b>\$10,406</b>
<b>ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>								
USEPA	\$36,737	\$59,224	\$7,484	\$208,516				
Signatory States								
Other Program Funding		\$0	\$0		\$0	\$45,250	\$23,497	\$0
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES LESS A/R</b>	<b>(\$25,000)</b>	<b>(\$28,616)</b>	<b>(\$3,759)</b>	<b>(\$177,193)</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>-\$35,095</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,406</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>								
Payroll	\$2,757	\$7,793	\$0	\$11,016	\$0	\$3,253	\$8,868	\$0
Employee Benefits	\$1,234	\$3,489	\$0	\$4,932	\$0	\$1,456	\$3,970	\$0
Staff Travel	\$352	\$263	\$3,725	\$547	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Commission Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Advisory Committee Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Associations & Memberships	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Supplies	\$0	\$8,021	\$0	\$674	\$0	\$0	(\$25)	\$0
Telephone	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rent	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Utilities	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Equipment Maintenance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Facility Maintenance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Vehicle, Building, Equipment Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Shipping & Delivery	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$92	\$0	\$2,340	\$54	\$0
Reproduction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Printing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Contractual Services	\$0	\$3,600	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,161	\$0
Lab Analysis	\$4,761	\$0	\$0	\$3,545	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Legal & Accounting Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Theft/Vandalism	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Bad Debt/Fraudulent Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$9,104</b>	<b>\$23,167</b>	<b>\$3,725</b>	<b>\$20,805</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$7,049</b>	<b>\$15,029</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>IN-KIND SERVICE</b>								
<b>INDIRECT EXPENSE ALLOCATION</b>	<b>\$2,633</b>	<b>\$7,441</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,518</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$3,106</b>	<b>\$8,467</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL DIRECT &amp; INDIRECT EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$11,737</b>	<b>\$30,608</b>	<b>\$3,725</b>	<b>\$31,323</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,155</b>	<b>\$23,497</b>	<b>\$0</b>
Balance before Transfers & Adjustments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$80,000	\$0	\$0	\$10,406
Prepaid Maintenance								
Interfund Transfer					\$0			
<b>BALANCE - Resources - Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$80,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$10,406</b>

**OHIO RIVER VALLEY WATER SANITATION COMMISSION  
COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES  
AND AVAILABLE RESOURCES - ALL FUNDS  
THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2024**

RESOURCES	Life Below The Waterline	DC Strategic Advisor	Database Infrastructure Update	Total Restrcted Program Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Operating	Reserve Funds Building & Equipment	ODS Equipment Replacement	Total Activities
Carryover on July 1, 2024	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$175,626	\$2,528,369	\$600,000	\$250,000	\$319,298	\$3,873,293
Prepaid Maintenance				\$0					\$0
<b>INCOME</b>									
State Funding				\$1,497,900					\$1,497,900
PA DEP				\$0					\$0
Other Program Funding	\$69			\$98,644			\$0	\$0	\$98,644
U.S. EPA				\$361,469					\$361,469
In-Kind Services				\$0					\$0
Transfer of River Users Funds to Programs				\$0				\$0	\$0
Transfer of State Funds to Programs	\$2,212		\$0	(\$0)			\$0		(\$0)
Transfer of Other Funds to Programs	\$0			\$0					\$0
Transfer of Unrestricted Funds		\$24,400	\$0	\$24,400	(\$24,400)				\$0
Miscellaneous				\$0			\$0		\$0
Interest				\$0			\$1,673		\$1,673
Fines and Settlements	\$0			\$0			\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>\$2,281</b>	<b>\$24,400</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$2,158,039</b>	<b>\$2,503,969</b>	<b>\$600,000</b>	<b>\$251,673</b>	<b>\$319,298</b>	<b>\$5,832,979</b>
<b>ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE</b>									
USEPA				\$2,098,344					\$2,098,344
Signatory States				\$559,600					\$559,600
Other Program Funding	\$0			\$68,747					\$68,747
<b>TOTAL RESOURCES LESS A/R</b>	<b>\$2,281</b>	<b>\$24,400</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$568,653)</b>	<b>\$2,503,969</b>	<b>\$600,000</b>	<b>\$251,673</b>	<b>\$319,298</b>	<b>\$3,106,287</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>									
Payroll	\$681	\$0	\$0	\$390,340	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$390,340
Employee Benefits	\$305	\$0	\$0	\$204,482	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$204,482
Staff Travel	\$213	\$0	\$0	\$53,636	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$53,636
Commission Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,700	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,700
Advisory Committee Travel	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Associations & Memberships	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,297	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,297
Supplies	\$101	\$0	\$0	\$47,789	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$47,789
Telephone	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,669	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,669
Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$26,040	\$0	\$26,040
Equipment Lease	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Rent	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Utilities	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,104	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,104
Equipment Maintenance	\$331	\$0	\$0	\$6,459	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,459
Facility Maintenance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,924	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,924
Vehicle, Building, Equipment Insurance	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,529	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$19,529
Shipping & Delivery	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,522	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$9,522
Reproduction	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,170	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,170
Printing	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,589	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,589
Contractual Services	\$0	\$24,400	\$0	\$218,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$218,000
Lab Analysis	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$90,535	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$90,535
Legal & Accounting Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,467	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,467
Theft/Vandalism	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,750
Bad Debt/Fraudulent Charges	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL DIRECT EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,631</b>	<b>\$24,400</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,094,961</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$26,040</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,121,001</b>
<b>IN-KIND SERVICE</b>				\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>INDIRECT EXPENSE ALLOCATION</b>	<b>\$650</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>TOTAL DIRECT &amp; INDIRECT EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$2,281</b>	<b>\$24,400</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,094,961</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$26,040</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,121,001</b>
Balance before Transfers & Adjustments	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,063,078	\$2,503,969	\$600,000	\$225,633	\$319,298	\$4,711,978
Prepaid Maintenance				\$0	\$0				\$0
Interfund Transfer	\$0			(\$822,529)	\$822,529		\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>BALANCE - Resources - Expenses</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$240,549</b>	<b>\$3,326,498</b>	<b>\$600,000</b>	<b>\$225,633</b>	<b>\$319,298</b>	<b>\$4,711,978</b>

**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Report and Recommendations; February 11-12, 2025 Technical Committee Meeting	<b>Number:</b> 6
<b>Attachments:</b> • TEC Agenda	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Jason Heath		<b>Presentation by:</b> Committee Chair Scott Mandirola

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The Commission Technical Committee (TEC) will conduct its 237<sup>th</sup> meeting in-person at the Embassy Suites RiverCenter, Covington, KY, and virtually, on February 11-12, 2025, prior to the February 13, 2025 Commission meeting.
- The meeting agenda includes: A USGS presentation on abandoned coal mine water quality in West Virginia; Update on 2024 Ohio River water quality conditions; Evaluation of the Proteus real-time monitor for bacteria; National Weather Service presentation on the Ohio River HEC-RAS Community Ohio River flow model; USEPA presentation on the Ohio River HABs predictive model; ORSANCO Biological and Source Water program updates; ORSANCO’s Monitoring Strategy; USEPA’s draft recommended human health PFAS criteria; TEC member reports; and Update on the Ohio River Basin restoration Initiative and Restoration Plan.
- Committee Chair Mandirola will provide a report of the TEC meeting at the February 13, 2025 Commission meeting.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- The Technical Committee reviews technical programs and makes recommendations to the Commission to be considered during the Program and Finance Committee’s Program and Budget development process.
- The Commission has staff time to perform Committee liaison work and to facilitate the meetings, and work of the Committee’s Workgroups and Subcommittees.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- Any TEC recommendations from the February 11-12, 2025 TEC meeting that need to be approved by the Commission will be presented at the February 13, 2025 Commission Meeting.

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- The Technical Committee (TEC) serves as the technical arm of the Commission and studies, discusses and evaluates technical questions of concern or interest to the Commission.
- It is composed of a Chair, who is a Commissioner appointed by the Commission Chair with one member from each of the signatory states as designated by the Commissioners of each state. TEC includes a member designated by the United States Commissioners to represent federal interests. Up to three additional members may be appointed by the Commission Chair.
- The Chief Engineer of the Commission is an ex officio voting member of TEC and the Chair of the Public Information Advisory Committee, Chemical Industry Advisory Committee, Power Industry Advisory Committee, Publicly Owned Wastewater Treatment Works Advisory Committee, Watershed Organizations Advisory Committee and Water Users Advisory Committee are ex officio, non-voting members of TEC.
- TEC has established workgroups and subcommittees to assist with Committee activities including: 305b Coordinators Workgroup, Biological Subcommittee, Emergency Response Coordinators Workgroup, Fish Consumption Advisory Workgroup, HABs Workgroup, Monitoring Strategy Subcommittee, NPDES Subcommittee, ODS Operators Workgroup, Source Water Assessment Workgroup; Stream Criteria Subcommittee, TMDL Coordinators Workgroup, PFAS Workgroup, and Bimonthly/Clean Metals Programs Review Workgroup.

**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Report of the Personnel Committee	<b>Number:</b> 7
<b>Attachments:</b> • None	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Standing <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Sam Dinkins		<b>Presentation by:</b> Committee Chair George Elmaraghy

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The Personnel Committee met December 11, 2024 to discuss personnel changes resulting from recent staff departures.
- Staff recommended a re-alignment of the Technical Program staff organizational structure to increase the Technical Program Manager positions from two to three. Technical Programs management groups would be aligned as follows: 1) Biological Programs, 2) Source Water Protection & Emergency Response, and 3) Water Quality Monitoring & Assessment.
- A new Administrative Coordinator position was previously included in the FY25 budget in anticipation of the retirements of David Bailey (Director of Administration & Human Resources) and Joe Gilligan (Comptroller). Staff recommended not filling the Administrative Coordinator position at this time based on forecasted need and budget considerations.
- A new Database Coordinator position was previously included in the FY25 budget. Staff recommended not filling the Database Coordinator position at this time based on forecasted need and budget considerations.
- These proposed actions have been reviewed and are supported by the Personnel Committee.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- Creating a third Technical Programs manager position and not filling the Administrative Coordinator and Database Coordinator positions reduces budgeted personnel costs by a combined total of approximately \$176,000 per year.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- For information only.

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- The Personnel Committee monitors and assists with the administration of personnel matters as established by the Commission’s administrative Procedures.
- The Personnel Committee consists of at least three Commissioners.





**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Report of the Public Information Advisory Committee	<b>Number:</b> 9
<b>Attachments:</b> • None	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Standing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Annette Shumard		<b>Presentation by:</b> Committee Chair Betsy Mallison Bialosky

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The Public Information Advisory Committee met on February 11, 2025.
- The Report of the Committee shall be provided at the February 13, 2025 Commission Meeting.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- The Commission covers travel, lodging, and meeting expenses incurred for Advisory Committee Members.
- The Commission has staff time to serve as liaison to the Committee and to help provide support to the Committee as needed.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- For Information Only

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- A Public Information Advisory Committee, composed of citizens residing in the Compact states, shall advise the Commission on Commission programs, outreach, procedures and communication methods. The Commission Chair annually shall appoint members of this committee, including when possible a member from each signatory state and at least three (3) at large members. These members, shall serve on a voluntary basis and be reimbursed by the Commission, for their expenses in attending meeting of their committee as budgeted by the Commission, and upon invitation of the Commission Chair, meetings of the Commission and the Technical Committee.



**Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission**  
**COMMISSION MEETING COMMUNICATION**

<b>Meeting Date:</b> February 13, 2025	<b>Subject:</b> Report of the Publicly Owned Wastewater Treatment Works Advisory Committee	<b>Number:</b> 11
<b>Attachments:</b> • None	<b>Committee Type:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Standing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advisory <input type="checkbox"/> Ad-Hoc <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	<b>Action Required:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Information Only <input type="checkbox"/> Motion
<b>Prepared by:</b> Stacey Cochran <b>Presentation by:</b> Committee Chair Reese Johnson		

**KEY CONSIDERATIONS:**

- The Publicly Owned Wastewater Treatment Works Advisory Committee met on January 23, 2025.
- The Report of the Committee shall be provided at the February 13, 2025 Commission Meeting.

**BUDGET/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:**

- Travel related expenses to support committee meetings are covered by the Commission.
- The Commission has staff time to support Publicly Owned Wastewater Treatment Works Advisory Committee liaison work.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

- Information Only

**BACKGROUND/HISTORY:**

- The Publicly Owned Wastewater Treatment Works Advisory Committee provides input to the Commission on matters related to wastewater treatment.
- The committee is comprised of representatives of wastewater treatment departments or districts or other public agencies.
- These agencies also work to supply the Commission with data as a part of a basin wide water quality monitoring system.
- Appointed representatives to the Committee are designated by the Chair of the Commission from companies or agencies which operate water treatment plants.
- The Chair of this Committee serves as a representative to ORSANCO’s Technical Committee and the Ohio River Users Program Advisory Committee.

