

## A Survey about Updating Dearborn County's Water Quality Management Plan

**Please put an "X" in the box that best matches your opinion about each statement below.**

1. Clean rivers, streams, lakes and aquifers are vital to the health and economic vitality of Dearborn County's residents, businesses and employers.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
8	1	1		

2. The draft updated plan provides useful information about Dearborn County's water resources.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
3	2	4	1	

3. The draft updated plan adequately identifies Dearborn County's water quality problems.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1	4	5		

4. The draft updated plan adequately identifies areas where population trends and anticipated land use changes may require increased wastewater treatment.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
2	3	5		

5. Dearborn County's water quality management needs are addressed in the draft updated plan.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
	4	3	1	2

6. The plan reasonably designates which wastewater management providers are to serve which areas.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
1	3	2	2	2

7. Adequate community outreach about the plan is being achieved through the Dearborn County website, local newspapers, a local radio station, speaking engagements and public meetings.

Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
	6	3	1	

If you have any comments you'd like to make, please print them in the box below:

1. Very poor logical Thought pattern in allowing DCRSD almost the remainder of Dearborn County as their area of control. The DCRSD was established to correct sewer pollution in several small areas of Dearborn County. The DCRSD is being given area they cannot correct. That is they don't have the money, sewage processing or pipe infrastructure to remedy these problems. The only reason I see for the large area is political. IDEM gave its blessing to the regional (*illegible*) without the input of OKI, and now the problem is being corrected through forced political collusion. The control given to DCRSD is not good in correcting Dearborn County pollution. DCRSD puts a road block between sewer providers and citizens needing sewer service. This whole thought process needs to be re-thought.
2. Dearborn County Council will not fund St. Leon for sewer in the Harrison TIF district. Dennis A Kraus, President of Dearborn County Council.
3.
  - Construction is underway for the St. Leon WWTP Expansion and will be completed in the fall.
  - The planning process and financing was initiated in 2005 and was significantly influenced by various Dearborn County Agencies.
  - St. Leon has attempted to participate in the OKI-208 update service requested in 2010. From St. Leon's perspective, our interaction with OKI is as follows:
    - The Town has been asked to provide data for OKI which the Agency has ignored when in conflict with OKI's concept.
    - OKI attempted to delay St. Leon's NPDES Permit in deference to OKI's planning process and schedule even though construction bids and financing were complete.
    - OKI has determined that its planning process ( $\pm 9$  months) should supersede St. Leon's five (5) year process and \$2.0-2.5M investment in Wastewater Treatment.
    - OKI's planning concept fails to recognize and/or understand the potential negative impact of Service Area modifications to system users of existing treatment facilities.
  - St. Leon will continue to make wastewater treatment service within its documented Service Area; will exercise its administrative and legal options to retain its Service Area to Johnson Fork Rd. and will re-open discussions with Franklin County (previously declined service) to become a treatment provider.

Saint Leon Sewer Board (signed by Chuck Hail, President)

4. There are some dissatisfied people over this, but I support what has been presented, to put the duty on the responsible governmental entity where the problem is. Treatment is not the only consideration, as distribution also is a large factor. There are avenues to treatment through existing systems, and interlocal agreements must be made for the benefit of the people, in need. Those with treatment capacity must decide if they want added revenues on a transport basis or added collection systems, and at what cost. Much the same as industry has been subsidized, for the benefits provided. The responsible entities must also create a consistent level of financial service, and not add hardships to the homeowners.