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County Executive

Statement of Support
North Branch Ecorse Creek
Flood Risk Management

In October of 2009 the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Detroit District and Wayne County represented by the Wayne County Drain Commissioner executed a Feasibility Cost Share Agreement (FCSA) for a General Reevaluation Report (GRR) of the Ecorse Creek project located in Wayne County, which was originally authorized in Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 1990, Title I, Section 101(a)(14) (PL 101-640) and continued in WRDA of 2007. The North Branch of the Ecorse Creek (NBEC) has a long history of flooding, which is expected to be a recurring problem unless corrective measures are implemented.

The Recommended Alternative of the GRR consists of a single optimized detention basin located just northeast of Powers Avenue and Inkster Road, with greenway channel improvements of varying widths. There is the need to locate the basin in this immediate area because of the hydraulic effectiveness of doing so, while causing the least disruption to existing residences and businesses. The channel improvements entail constructing a 35-foot wide greenway channel from Madison Street to westbound I-94 and a 15-foot wide greenway channel from westbound Interstate-94 to Allen Road. Downstream of Allen Road to the Detroit River, the channel improvements vary in width.

The undersigned representing the residents of Wayne County within the North Branch of the Ecorse Creek Drainage District that are affected by the long history of flooding of the North Branch of the Ecorse Creek hereby supports the Recommended Alternative of the General Reevaluation Report.

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