# Ohio Balanced Growth Program

# Best Local Land Use Practices Technical Assistance Kirby Date, AICP, Cleveland State University



### **Best Local Land Use Practices:**

Encourage voluntary implementation of recommended practices for improved watershed quality and economic benefit.

- Start and participate in watershed planning partnerships
- Align comprehensive plans with BG watershed plans
- *Update plans and codes with best practices*
- Incentivize developers and property owners to use best practices

#### Ohio

### **Best Local Land Use Practices**

- Comprehensive Planning
- Compact Development
- Conservation Development
- Storm Water Management
- Stream, Wetland and Floodplain Protection
- Natural Areas Establishment
- Source Water Protection

- Woodland Protection
- Steep Slope Protection
- Transfer of Development Rights
- Agricultural Land Protection
- Brownfields
   Redevelopment
- Historic Protection
- Scenic Protection
- Access Management

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# **Ohio** Implementation Help: BLLUP Technical Assistance

- 24 hours free technical assistance available to individual communities
- 27 assistance areas to date: cities, villages, townships, counties, watersheds



# **Ohio** Balanced Growth Resources: Technical Assistance

#### 24 hours professional time:

- •Information meetings/elected official discussion
- •Review and comment on comprehensive plans, codes, regulations and development proposals
- •Prepare draft RFPs
- Meeting facilitation
- Help plan and organize "next steps"
- Public education
- •Referrals and technical information



# City of Toledo Code Review

- Comprehensive review of codes
- Recommendations regarding code updates
- Review of bioretention in the right-of-way

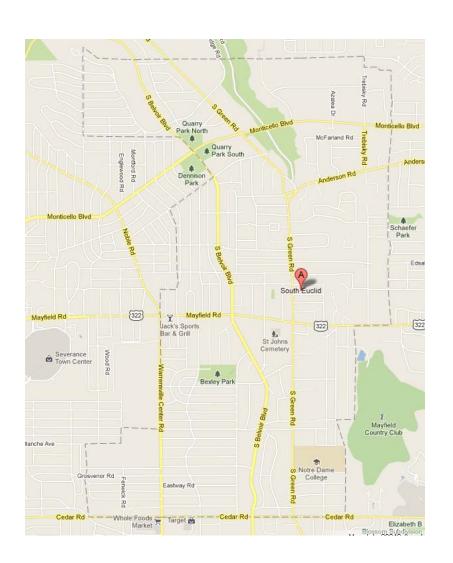






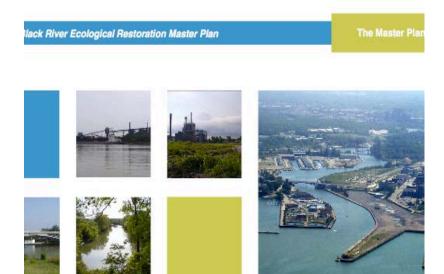
# South Euclid: PRD/PUD Code Review

- Review of PUD code and available sites
- Recommendations for application of conservation development as infill





## **Lower Black River Restoration Plan**



 \$10 million in improvements/ mitigation leveraged across the restoration area

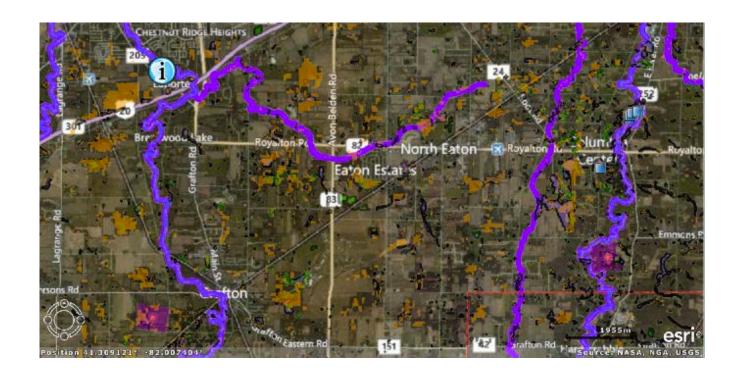
**Master Plan** 





# **Eaton Township Stream Setback**

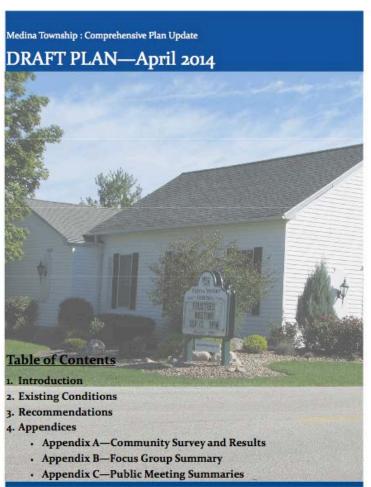
• 25-foot setback adopted for both streams and ditches





# Medina Township Comprehensive Plan Review

- Participant
   community, Upper
   West Branch Rocky
   River BG Watershed
   Plan
- New plan emphasizes open space protection



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**QUESTIONS?** 



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