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Hamilton County Public Health Stormwater Program

Captures Award for Excellence

Hamilton County, Ohio..... Hamilton County Public Health (HCPH) Division of Water Quality received the 2015 Ohio Stormwater Association Award for Program Excellence. The award recognizes sustained excellence as evidenced in ongoing and frequent development and implementation of innovative programs to reduce and eliminate illicit discharge into waterways.

The HCPH Water Quality Team was cited for implementing an aggressive training program to increase awareness of illicit discharges. Following training, the team ramped up its monitoring program and collaborated with partner agencies to map the County stormwater sewer system and infrastructure. The monitoring program uses specialized techniques and equipment to track discharges.

“Improved monitoring and testing ultimately leads to cleaner waterways,” says Tim Ingram, Hamilton County Health Commissioner. “As we see around the nation, water is

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crucial to our existence. Discharge of improperly treated wastewater and illegal substances into our storm sewer systems create public health issues and can cause long-term damage to our water supply.”

The Ohio Stormwater Association is a group of public and private citizens dedicated to advancing the management of stormwater and related natural resources through education, leadership, watershed-based coordination and technical assistance in Ohio.

Hamilton County Public Health works to assure the 480,000 citizens living outside the cities of Cincinnati, Norwood and Springdale are safe from disease, injury and contamination.

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