

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Notice of Lodging Proposed Consent Decree

In accordance with Departmental Policy, 28 CFR 50.7, notice is hereby given that a proposed Consent Decree in *United States v. Lodge/Abbott Investments Associates LLC, et al.*, Civil Action Number 2:18-cv-87-FtM-38MRM, was lodged with the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Fort Myers Division, on February 9, 2018.

This proposed Consent Decree concerns a complaint filed by the United States against Lodge/Abbott Investments Associates LLC and Lodge/Abbott Associates LLC, pursuant to Sections 301 and 404 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1311 and 1344, to obtain injunctive relief from and impose civil penalties against the Defendants for violating the Clean Water Act by discharging pollutants without a permit into waters of the United States. The proposed Consent Decree resolves these allegations by requiring the Defendants to perform mitigation and to pay a civil penalty. The proposed Consent Decree also subjects Defendants to an injunction.

The Department of Justice will accept written comments relating to this proposed Consent Decree for thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this Notice. Please address comments to Andrew Doyle, Senior Attorney, United States Department of Justice, Environment and Natural Resources Division, Environmental Defense Section, Post Office Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044, and refer to *United States v. Lodge/Abbott Investments Associates LLC, et al.*, DJ # 90-5-1-1-21238.

The proposed Consent Decree may be examined at the Clerk's Office, United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida, Fort Myers Division, 2110 First Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901, or in any of its other Divisions in Tampa, Orlando, Ocala, and Jacksonville, FL. In addition, the proposed Consent Decree may be examined electronically at <http://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>.

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Notice of Lodging of Proposed Consent Decree Under the Clean Water Act

On February 9, 2018, the Department of Justice lodged a proposed Consent Decree with the United States District Court for the Southern District of Ohio in the lawsuit entitled *United States and State of Ohio v. City of Middletown, Ohio*, Civil Action No. 18-cv-90.

The Complaint seeks civil penalties and injunctive relief for alleged violations of the Clean Water Act and Middletown's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit, primarily relating to pollutants in discharges from Middletown's wastewater treatment plant and from the city's combined sewer overflow outfalls. Under the proposed Consent Decree, Middletown would implement a Long Term Control Plan ("LTCP") that includes (1) construction of two storage basins; (2) redirection of approximately 291 acres of storm sewershed away from the sewer system; and (3) redirection of storm water flow to a 1-acre green infrastructure basin. Taken together, these combined sewer overflow ("CSO") control measures would reduce annual CSOs to six or fewer per typical year. The Consent Decree would require completion of the entire LTCP by January 1, 2043, with completion of one of the two storage facilities (with a capacity of 5.1 million gallons) by 2026. The Consent Decree also requires significant wastewater treatment plant updates and sewer system rehabilitation and pipe replacement. Under the Decree, Middletown would pay a \$55,000 civil penalty, to be split evenly between the United States and Ohio, and perform a supplemental environmental project estimated to cost approximately \$200,000.

The publication of this notice opens a period for public comment on the Consent Decree. Comments should be addressed to the Assistant Attorney General, Environment and Natural Resources Division, and should refer to *United States and State of Ohio v. City of Middletown, Ohio*, D.J. Ref. No. 90-5-1-1-08978. All comments must be submitted no later than thirty (30) days after the publication date of this notice. Comments may be submitted either by email or by mail:

<i>To submit comments:</i>	<i>Send them to:</i>
By email	pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov

<i>To submit comments:</i>	<i>Send them to:</i>
By mail	Assistant Attorney General, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

During the public comment period, the Consent Decree may be examined and downloaded at this Justice Department website: <https://www.justice.gov/enrd/consent-decrees>. We will provide a paper copy of the Consent Decree upon written request and payment of reproduction costs. Please mail your request and payment to: Consent Decree Library, U.S. DOJ—ENRD, P.O. Box 7611, Washington, DC 20044-7611.

Please enclose a check or money order for \$12.40 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) payable to the United States Treasury.

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NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Meeting of National Council on the Humanities

AGENCY: National Endowment for the Humanities, National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is hereby given that the National Council on the Humanities will meet to advise the Chairman of the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) with respect to policies, programs and procedures for carrying out his functions; to review applications for financial assistance under the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 and make recommendations thereon to the Chairman; and to consider gifts offered to NEH and make recommendations thereon to the Chairman.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, March 8, 2018, from 10:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m., and Friday, March 9, 2018, from 9:00 a.m. until adjourned.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Constitution Center, 400 7th Street SW, Washington, DC 20506. See

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for room numbers.