

RESOLUTION NO. 20-29

ADOPT THE CEDAR, PIGEON, ULAO, AND MOLE CREEKS WATERSHED  
RESTORATION PLAN

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County recognizes that the Milwaukee River and its tributaries are critically important and economically beneficial to Ozaukee County; and

WHEREAS, Ozaukee County recognizes that a healthy Milwaukee River Watershed is beneficial to the health, water quality and ecology of Ozaukee County; and

WHEREAS, the Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed Restoration Plan was developed to meet the requirements of a “Watershed-Based Plan” as defined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) with the intent to help the six contiguous HUC-12 sub-watersheds within the Milwaukee River basin achieve/meet water quality standards and criteria; and

WHEREAS, undergoing a planning process that meets the USEPA’s watershed plan guidelines and 9 key elements allows the Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks watershed stakeholders, including Ozaukee County, to access Section 319 grant funding and other (grant) funding for watershed and water quality improvement projects recommended in the plan; and

WHEREAS, the Watershed Plan was developed by the Southeastern Wisconsin Watershed Trust, Inc. (Sweet Water) alongside stakeholders, including Ozaukee County, with funding from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) and the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD); and

WHEREAS, Sweet Water submitted the Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed Restoration Plan to the WDNR and received plan approval in June 2020; and

WHEREAS the Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed Restoration Plan specifically outlines restoration needs on farmland properties and stream, wetland and floodplain corridors in the HUC-12 watersheds; and

WHEREAS, implementation of the Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed-based restoration Best Management Practices (BMPs) will reduce the potential for soil erosion, water quality degradation, habitat degradation, and their resulting harm to people and property; and

WHEREAS, intergovernmental cooperation for purposes of Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed-based Restoration is encouraged, and Ozaukee County jointly participated in the planning process with other local governments, and Sweet Water to prepare this Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed Restoration Plan; and

WHEREAS, the adoption of this Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed Restoration Plan makes Ozaukee County and its relevant municipalities eligible for Section 319 grant funding for watershed implementation and identifies priorities when competing for grant and other funding to address water quality and watershed improvements.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Ozaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby adopts the Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed Restoration Plan that meets the USEPA’s watershed plan guidelines and 9 key elements allowing the plan’s

watershed stakeholders, including Ozaukee County, to access Section 319 grant funding and other grant funding for watershed and water quality improvement projects recommended in the adopted plan.

Dated at Port Washington, Wisconsin, this 2nd day of September 2020.

*SUMMARY: Adoption of the Cedar, Pigeon, Ulao, and Mole Creeks Watershed Restoration Plan that meets the USEPA's watershed plan guidelines and 9 key elements allowing the plan's watershed stakeholders, including Ozaukee County, to access Section 319 grant funding and other grant funding for watershed and water quality improvement projects recommended in the adopted plan.*

*VOTE REQUIRED: Majority*

NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

**MOVER:** R. Holyoke, Supervisor District 22

**SECONDER:** B. Ross, Supervisor District 19

**AYES:** Korinek, Jobs, Holyoke, Minkel-Dumit, Ross

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Restoration Plan

**VOTE RESULTS: Passed By Majority Vote**

YES: **24** NO: **0** ABSTAIN: **0** ABSENT: **2**

Winker	YES
Haas	YES
Jobs	YES
Schlenvogt	YES
Clark	YES
Nelson	YES
Becker	YES
Larson	YES
Grabow	YES
Melotik	YES
Wolf	YES
Richart	YES
Korinek	YES

Herro	EXCUSED
Geracie	YES
Duecker	YES
Irish	YES
Wirth	Second YES
Ross	YES
Marchese	YES
Strom	EXCUSED
Holyoke	Motion YES
Henrichs	YES
Braverman	YES
Read	YES
Minkel-Dumit	YES