

Asset Mapping of County Water, Sewer and Storm Water Resources to Commence

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Water lines, sanitary and storm sewers, and other infrastructure are usually hidden from plain sight in most communities. But if this infrastructure weren't there,

no community could sustain economic growth needed to help people live, work and thrive.

The Noble County Commissioners are working with Ohio Rural Community Assistance Program (RCAP) through a USDA-funded project opportunity to provide geographic information systems (GIS) mapping of the county's various water, sewer and storm water system assets. Current maps are

more than 15 years old and were not based on digital mapping through collection of resources. Ohio (RCAP) provides consulting services to help rural communities (fewer than 10,000 in population) address their drinking water and wastewater treatment needs.

The program launched in June and will be completed by October 2020. Representatives from various water companies, the Noble

County EMA, Noble OSU Extension and the Noble Commissioners attended an Ohio RCAP project kick-off meeting at the multi-county agency building in Caldwell. Representatives will coordinate with Ohio RCAP on identifying their maps and other assets. The final project will yield accurate maps, digital systems for each entity and provide equipment and training for ongoing system updates.