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# THE WHITE HOUSE

April 22, 1976

### ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JAMES T. LYNN

FROM:

JAMES E. CONNOR JE &

SUBJECT:

Congressman Del Latta's note to the President on the Little Auglaize Watershed Project

The President reviewed your memorandum of April 19 on the above subject and made the following notation:

"Let me know in June when SCS has completed."

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

#### EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

#### OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM:

JAMES T. LYNN

SUBJECT:

Congressman Del Latta's note to you on the

Little Auglaize Watershed Project (attached)

In 1967, the Soil Conservation Service of the Department of Agriculture was authorized to proceed with three watershed projects on the Little Auglaize River in northwestern Ohio. The projects consist of "channelization" -- reenforcing the banks of the river with concrete, resulting in changes in the flow of water which, among other things, has adverse affects on river wildlife.

Because of substantial environmental protests, the Soil Conservation Service undertook to develop an environmental impact statement in 1971. Assistant Secretary Long of Agriculture advises that a draft environmental impact statement will be available in June of this year. Under Secretary Frizzell of Interior has promised that the Fish and Wildlife Service review of the draft statement (which is required by law) will be expeditious with the hope that a final environmental impact statement can be available with a minimum of delay.

We have advised Congressman Latta of these facts.

Attachment

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### THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

4/19/76

TO:

BOB LINDER

FROM:

TRUDY FRY

The attached is sent to you for review before it is forwarded to the President.

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