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SPEAKER SERIES



UPPER MAUMEE WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP



RACHEL COCHRAN

HISTORY OF WATER QUALITY IN THE WESTERN LAKE ERIE BASIN

Rachel Cochran is a Certified Crop Adviser and serves as the Water Quality Extension Associate for Defiance, Paulding, and Van Wert Counties through OSU Extension. She has been in this position for over three years, and her background is in Sustainable Agriculture and Plant Health. Rachel is part of a team of six individuals covering Ohio's Western Lake Erie Basin, offering research opportunities as well as education and outreach on the topics of water quality, soil health, and nutrient management. Rachel will discuss current projects the OSU Extension Water Quality team is working on, as well as a history of water quality in the region and how farmers have been adapting to the increased demand for cleaner water in our area.

BODEN FISHER

OVERVIEW OF OHIO DEPT. OF AGRICULTURE'S WATERSHED PROGRAM

Boden Fisher is the Region 1 Watershed Manager for the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Division of Soil and Water Conservation. Boden will present an overview of the Ohio Department of Agriculture's Watershed Program, and highlights from the recently-published Region 1 Watershed Plan. The plan, covering Ohio's portion of the Western Lake Erie Basin, provides regional watershed characterization, water quality data and goals, funding opportunities, and analysis of applicable management measures. Boden's educational background and professional experience are in agronomy and water quality.



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6:00 PM

Rowe 106, Defiance College, Defiance, OH

Feel free to stay afterwards for the bimonthly meeting of the UMWP