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State Approves more than \$825,000 for Clean Ohio Assistance Fund Projects

Columbus – Today, the State Controlling Board approved \$827,728 in Clean Ohio Assistance Fund grants for three Ohio communities. The Clean Ohio Assistance Fund supports brownfield redevelopment in Ohio's urban areas, and is administered by the Office of Redevelopment, which is housed in the Ohio Department of Development's Community Services Division.

"The Clean Ohio investments made in these communities are a critical first step in redevelopment," said William Murdock, Chief of the Department's Community Services Division. "By ensuring the sites are environmentally stable, the Clean Ohio program unlocks potential for future economic development opportunities."

The Clean Ohio Assistance Fund is part of the Clean Ohio Fund, which restores, protects, and connects Ohio's important natural and urban areas by preserving green space and farmland, improving outdoor recreation, and cleaning up brownfields to encourage redevelopment and revitalize communities.

Harrison Township (Montgomery County) will receive a \$295,975 grant to conduct a Phase II Environment Assessment on the former American Carco property. The property, located at 2800 Ontario Avenue, is made up of 11 parcels totaling nearly two acres north of downtown Dayton. The Phase II Environmental Assessment, which will determine the property's environmental suitability and possible need for remediation, will include the installation of 43 shallow soil borings, 13 deep soil borings, and three shallow soil borings. The assessment also will include data evaluation and reporting.

The **City of Cincinnati** (Hamilton County) will receive a \$300,000 grant to conduct remediation activities on the Milacron Plant 5 property. The property, located at 3025 Disney Street, is made up of four parcels totaling more than 16 acres. The City and USS Realty plan to redevelop the site into an entertainment and retail area, including a 14-screen movie theatre. The project is expected to create approximately 100 full-time and part-time jobs.

The **Coshocton Port Authority** (Coshocton County) will receive a \$231,753 grant to conduct a Phase II Environmental Assessment on the former GE ElectroMaterials property. The property, located at 1350 South Second Street, is made up of eight parcels totaling nearly 60 acres along the southern edge of the City of Coshocton. The Phase II Environmental Assessment, which will determine the property's environmental suitability and possible need for remediation, will include the installation of 54 soil borings, 12 shallow monitoring wells, and one deep monitoring well. The assessment also will include a geophysical survey, data evaluation, and reporting.

*The **Clean Ohio Assistance Fund** is an open-cycle program that provides grant dollars for Phase II Environmental Assessment and Brownfield Cleanup/Public Health Projects. To date, 209 Clean Ohio Assistance Fund projects have been awarded, totaling more than \$72.7 million. Of the 209 projects, 61 were for cleanup projects, which leveraged more than \$1 billion and are expected to create and retain more than 5,800 jobs. For more information about the **Clean Ohio Assistance Fund**, visit www.clean.ohio.gov.*

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