

Mission Statement

The Big Darby Accord consists of local governments within the Franklin County area of the Big Darby Creek watershed. The mission of the Big Darby Accord is to cooperatively develop a multi-jurisdictional plan and accompanying preservation and growth strategies, capable of implementation, oversight and enforcement, which are designed to:



- Preserve, protect and improve, when possible, the Big Darby Creek watershed's unique ecosystem by utilizing the best available science, engineering and land use planning practices;
- Promote responsible growth by taking measures to provide for adequate public services and facilities and promote a full spectrum of housing choice, as well as adequate educational, recreational and civic opportunities, for citizens of each jurisdiction and for Central Ohio;
- Create a partnership that recognizes the identity, aspirations, rights, and duties of all jurisdictions and that develops methods of cooperation among the partners through means which include the cooperative utilization of public services and facilities; and
- Capitalize on the results of other efforts by considering local comprehensive plans, as well as the work of the Environmentally Sensitive Development Area External Advisory Group, the Hellbranch Forum, the 21st Century Growth Policy Team and other local planning and zoning efforts, in the development of the plan.

Project Status

Public Meeting Held October 6, 2005

The Big Darby Accord is a cooperative planning effort among those communities making up the Big Darby Watershed in Franklin County. The project consultant team began work in April. A public meeting was held in June to review their work to that point and gather feedback for development of alternative land use modeling scenarios for the watershed. The project has continued to progress and is now at a key stage.

A public meeting was held on Thursday, October 6th in order to present and get feedback regarding three alternative land use modeling scenarios for the planning area. Input received at this meeting will be instrumental in developing a draft preferred plan scenario for the Big Darby Watershed, which will be presented later this fall.