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March 1, 2011

To: Hamilton County Drainage Board

Re: Taylor Creek Drain, Sylvester Gwinn #61 Arm

Upon review of the drainage sheds, I believe that the Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain should be made an arm to the Taylor Creek Drain as the Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain is a tributary to the Taylor Creek Drain. This would also avoid a double assessment on the tracts currently assessed for the Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain when the remainder of the Taylor Creek Drain is assessed for maintenance.

The Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain was created in 1882 per the Hamilton County Circuit Court. At present the Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain maintenance assessment affects 770.91 acres. The rate of assessment for the drain is set at \$2.00 per acre with a \$10.00 minimum. This rate collects \$1,656.36 annually and the balance within the fund is \$5,745.03. There are no outstanding work orders for this drain at this time.

The current maintenance assessment will revise as per the rates set for the Taylor Creek Drain which are as follows:

- 1. Maintenance assessment for roads and streets are set at \$10.00 per acre.
- 2. Maintenance assessment for agricultural tracts are set at \$5.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum.
- 3. Maintenance assessment for non-platted residential tracts are set at \$5.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum.
- 4. Maintenance assessment for commercial, institutional and multi-family residential tracts are set at \$10.00 per acre with a \$75.00 minimum.

- 5. Maintenance assessment for platted lots in subdivisions whose drainage systems will not be part of the regulated drain shall be set at \$35.00 per lot/minimum. Common areas within non-regulated drain subdivisions shall be assessed at \$5.00 per acre with a \$35.00 minimum.
- 6. Maintenance assessment for platted lots within subdivisions whose drainage system will be part of the regulated drain shall be set at \$65.00 per lot/minimum. Common areas within the regulated drain subdivisions shall be set at \$10.00 per acre with a \$65.00 minimum.

The total annual assessment for this arm will be \$4,088.14.

The current balance of the Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain shall be kept separate and these funds expended for needed maintenance on the Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain. This shall be done until the funds are exhausted. At that time funding for repairs shall then be taken from the Taylor Creek Drain fund. Collections for the Taylor Creek Drain would not begin until May 2012.

Future assessments for the drainage area of the Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain will be made into the Taylor Creek Drain fund. No further maintenance collections for the Sylvester Gwinn #61 Drain shall be made.

I recommend that the Board set a hearing for this consolidation for June 27, 2011.

Sincerely,

Kenton C. Ward, CFM Hamilton County Surveyor

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#### FINDINGS AND ORDER

### CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE

### Taylor Creek Drain, Sylvester Gwinn Arm

On this **27th** day of June, 2011, the Hamilton County Drainage Board has held a hearing on the Maintenance Report and Schedule of Assessments of the **Taylor Creek Drain**, **Sylvester** Gwinn Arm.

Evidence has been heard. Objections were presented and considered. The Board then adopted the original/amended Schedule of Assessments. The Board now finds that the annual maintenance assessment will be less than the benefits to the landowners and issues this order declaring that this Maintenance Fund be established.

HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD

President

Member

Alternate Member

Attest: Signette Maskaugh

## BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE MATTER OF

### Taylor Creek Drain, Sylvester Gwinn Arm

NOTICE

o Whom It May Concern	and:	

Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the Taylor Creek Drain, Sylvester Gwinn Arm on June 27, 2011 at 9:10 A.M. in Commissioners Court, Hamilton County Judicial Center, One Hamilton County Square, Noblesville, Indiana, and which construction and maintenance reports of the Surveyor and the Schedule of Assessments made by the Drainage Board have been filed and are available for public inspection in the office of the Hamilton County Surveyor.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh

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## Taylor Creek Drain, Sylvester Gwinn Arm

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 405 of the 1965 Indiana Drainage Code that this Board, prior to final adjournment on **June 27**, **2011** has issued an order adopting the Schedule of Assessments, filed the same and made public announcement thereof at the hearing and ordered publication. If judicial review of the findings and order of the Board is not requested pursuant to Article Eight of this code within twenty (20) days from the date of this publication, the order shall be conclusive.

Hamilton County Drainage Board

Attest: Lynette Mosbaugh

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