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To: Hamilton County Drainage Board

Re: Cool Creek Drain, P. L. Porter Arm

Upon review of the drainage sheds I believe that the P. L. Porter Drain should be made an arm to the Cool Creek Drain. I recommend this action as the P. L. Porter Drain outlets into the Cool Creek Drain. This would also avoid a double assessment on the tracts currently assessed for the P. L. Porter Drain when the remainder of the Cool Creek Drain is assessed for maintenance.

The P. L. Porter Drain in Washington Township was placed on a maintenance program when the P. L. Porter site was developed. Surveyor's report for the P. L. Porter Drain is dated February 27, 1990, and was approved by the Board at hearing on May 21, 1990 (Hamilton County Drainage Board Minutes Book 2, Pages 443 to 444). At present the P. L. Porter Drain maintenance assessments affects 75 acres and 20 lots. The current rate of assessment for the P. L. Porter Drain is \$5.00 per acre for common area, \$30.00 minimum and \$30.00 per platted lot. The roadways are assessed at \$5.00 per acre, \$30.00 minimum. These rates collect \$1,147.60 annually and the current balance in the maintenance fund is \$4,855.20. There are no outstanding work orders for this drain at this time.

The rates for the Cool Creek Drain have been set at the following:

1. Maintenance assessment for roads and streets be set at \$10.00 per acre with a \$25.00 minimum.
2. Maintenance assessment for agricultural tracts be set at \$2.00 per acres with a \$15.00 minimum.
3. Maintenance assessment for non-platted residential tracts be set at \$2.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum.

4. Maintenance assessment for commercial, institutional and multi-family residential tracts be set at \$35.00 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 (those systems maintained by the Town of Westfield or City of Carmel) shall be set at \$25.00 per lot/minimum. Common areas within non-regulated drain subdivisions shall be assessed at \$10.00 per acre with a \$25.00 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 \$15.00 per acre with a \$65.00 minimum.

The total annual assessment for this arm will be \$1,516.50.

The current balance of the P. L. Porter Drain shall be kept separate and these funds expend for needed maintenance on the drainage facilities that comprise the current P. L. Porter Drain. This shall be done until the funds are exhausted. At that time funding for repairs shall then be taken from the Cool Creek Drain Fund.

Future assessments for the drainage area of the P. L. Porter Drain will be made into the Cool Creek fund. No further maintenance collections for the P. L. Porter Drain fund shall be made.

I recommend that a hearing be held for this matter on March 26, 2007.

Sincerely,



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Hamilton County Surveyor

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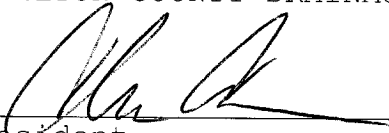
FINDINGS AND ORDER

CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE
Cool Creek Drain, P. L. Porter Arm

On this **26th day of March 2007**, the Hamilton County Drainage Board has held a hearing on the Maintenance Report and Schedule of Assessments of the **Cool Creek Drain, P. L. Porter 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.

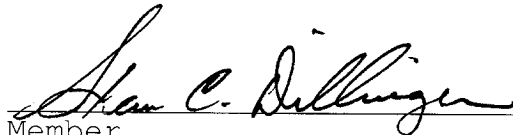
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