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April 27, 2012

To: Hamilton County Drainage Board

Re: Little Eagle Creek Drain, Stuart & Rawlings Arm

Upon review of the drainage sheds, I believe that the Stuart & Rawlings Drain should be made an arm to the Little Eagle Creek Drain as the Stuart & Rawlings Drain is a tributary to the Little Eagle Creek Drain. This would also avoid a double assessment on the tracts currently assessed for the Stuart & Rawlings Drain when the remainder of the Little Eagle Creek Drain is assessed for maintenance.

The Stuart & Rawlings Drain was created on November 15, 1904 by the Hamilton County Circuit Court. On May 3, 1971 the Board held a hearing to establish the drain maintenance assessment for the Stuart & Rawlings Drain. (Drainage Board Minutes Book 1, Page 68). At present the Stuart & Rawlings Drain maintenance assessment affects 794.95 acres. The rate of assessment for the drain is set at \$10.00 per acre for roads, \$3.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum for residential and agricultural tracts, \$10.00 per acre with a \$75.00 minimum for commercial, institutional, and multi-family tracts, \$5.00 per acre with a \$35.00 minimum for platted un-regulated subdivisions, and \$10.00 per acre with a \$65.00 minimum for regulated drain subdivisions. This rate collects \$3,135.56 annually and the balance within the fund is \$1,879.45. 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 Little Eagle 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 \$2.00 per acre with a \$15.00 minimum.

- 3. Maintenance assessment for non-platted residential tracts are set at \$2.00 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 \$2,420.34.

The current balance of the Stuart & Rawlings Drain shall be kept separate and these funds expended for needed maintenance on the Stuart & Rawlings Drain. This shall be done until the funds are exhausted. At that time funding for repairs shall then be taken from the Little Eagle Creek Drain fund. Collections for the Little Eagle Creek Drain would not begin until May 2013.

Future assessments for the drainage area of the Stuart & Rawlings Drain will be made into the Little Eagle Creek Drain fund. No further maintenance collections for the Stuart & Rawlings Drain shall be made after 2012 other than any delinquent assessment penalties and interest which remain unpaid.

I recommend that the Board set a hearing for this consolidation for June 25, 2012.

Sincerely,

Kenton C. Ward, CFM

Hamilton County Surveyor

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FINDINGS AND ORDER

CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF THE

Little Eagle Creek Drain, Stuart & Rawlings Arm

On this 25th day of June, 2012, the Hamilton County Drainage Board has held a hearing on the Maintenance Report and Schedule of Assessments of the Little Eagle Creek Drain, Stuart & Rawlings 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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BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE MATTER OF

Little Eagle Creek Drain, Stuart & Rawlings Arm

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Notice is hereby given of the hearing of the Hamilton County Drainage Board on the Little Eagle Creek Drain, Stuart & Rawlings Arm on June 25, 2012 at 9:05 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

ONE TIME ONLY

BEFORE THE HAMILTON COUNTY DRAINAGE BOARD IN THE MATTER OF THE

Little Eagle Creek Drain Stuart & Rawlings 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 25**, **2012** 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.

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