

**Western Lake Erie Basin (WLEB) Partnership
 Leadership Group Development Meeting
 Community Room
 631 Perry Street
 Defiance, Ohio
 November 7, 2005**

Meeting Purpose: To advance the development of the WLEB Partnership Leadership Group.

Meeting Objectives:

- Provide background on the origin of and reasons for the WLEB Partnership.
- Share information related to on-going and desired future programs/activities in the watershed.
- Establish potential WLEB Partnership Principles.
- Develop options for the structure/organization of the WLEB Partnership.

Agenda

9:30	Coffee and Visitation	
10:00	Welcome Touchette (USACE)	LTC Terry Cosby (NRCS)
10:10	Introductions and Overview of the Day's Agenda Hieber (Facilitator)	Erika
10:20	Why are we here and where do we need to go? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Obligations and visions of Corps of Engineers - Friona (USACE) • Obligations and visions of the NRCS – Davis (NRCS) 	Tony Steve
10:45 Hieber	Roundtable – Meet the partners <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does this fit or not fit your organizations mission/purpose? • What can you contribute to the partnership? • What opportunities do you see? 	Erika

- What questions or challenges do you have?

11:45 Lunch (provided) and time for one-on-one visitation/discussions

12:45 Mission for the Partnership (Break-out session) Erika
Hieber

- What are we going to do and how?

2:15 Conservation Innovation Grants – A funding opportunity
Charles Whitmore (NRCS)

2:35 Update - Partnership Activities Already underway by NRCS & Steve
Davis
Potential Additional Projects

- Rapid Resource Assessments & Farm Bill Programs – The NRCS plan
- Partnership agreements funded & other new ideas on the table
- Process for input, comments and suggestions for additional work

2:50 Discussion/Summary – Erika
Hieber

- What are the next steps needed to move the partnership forward in the organizational process?
- Set date for next event

3:00 Closing remarks