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## Notice of Drainage Board Meeting For Consideration of Proposed Consolidation

**COOK INTERCOUNTY DRAIN  
CLINTON AND IONIA INTERCOUNTY DRAIN**  
(Ionia and Clinton Counties)

**DATE:** June 24, 2022  
**TIME:** 10:00 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** Lyons Township Hall  
505 E. Bridge St., Lyons, Michigan

The Cook Intercounty Drain Drainage Board and Clinton and Ionia Intercounty Drain Drainage Board will meet at the above date, time and location to hear all interested persons, receive evidence and determine whether the consolidation, as set forth in the application dated November 1, 2021, is conducive to the public health, convenience, or welfare; pursuant to Chapter 19 of Public Act 40 of 1956, as amended.

Proceedings conducted at this public meeting will be subject to the provisions of the Michigan Open Meetings Act. Written comments may be submitted prior to the meeting, or additional information may be obtained from the following offices:

**Robert Rose**  
Ionia County Drain Commissioner  
100 W. Main St.  
Ionia, Michigan  
616-527-5373

**Phil Hanses**  
Clinton County Drain Commissioner  
100 E. State St.  
St. Johns  
989-224-5160

Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the meeting should contact the Drain Commissioner of their County at the number listed above or through the Michigan Relay Center at 7-1-1 (TDD) at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

Dated: May 19, 2022

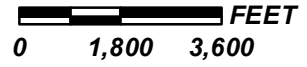
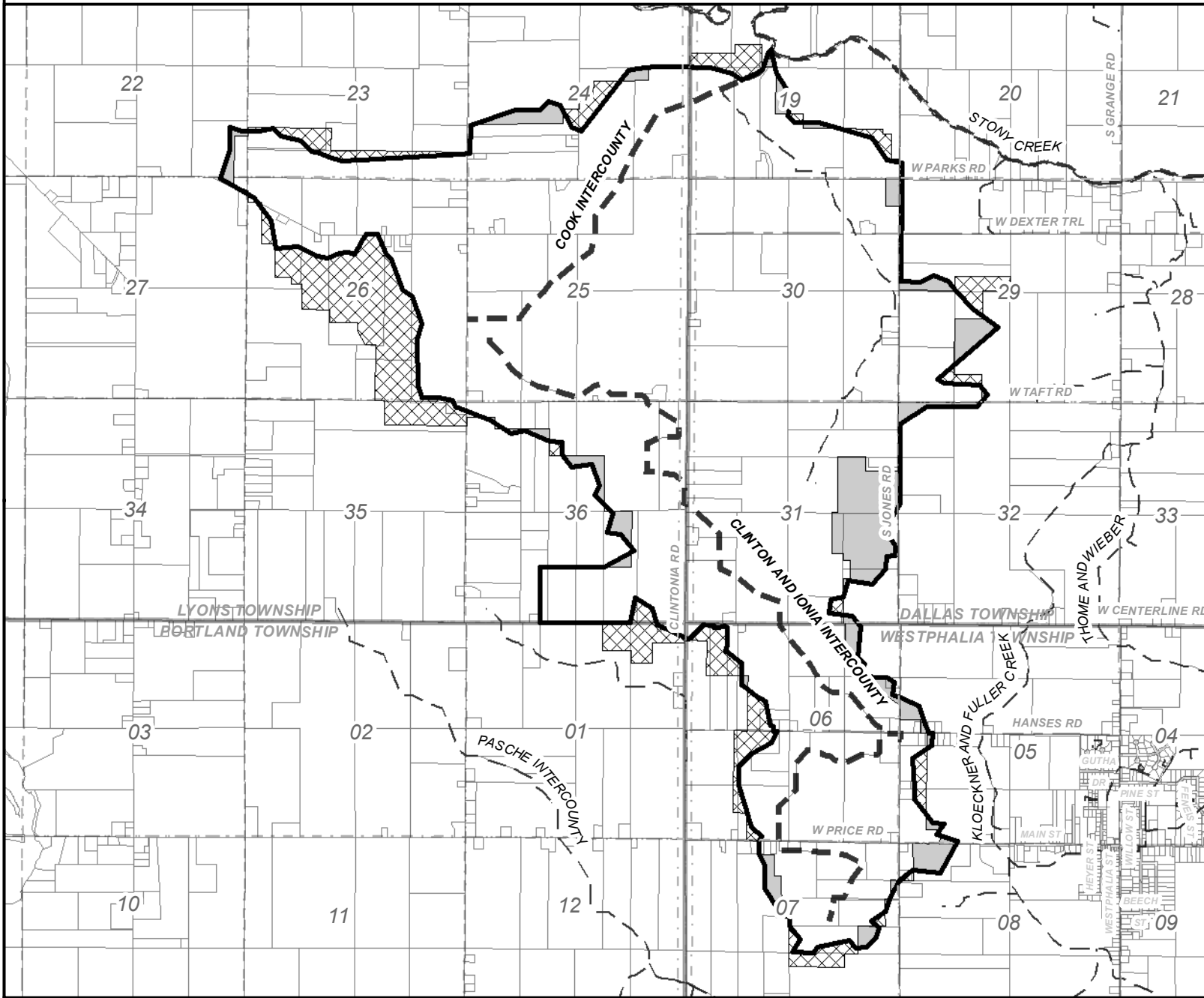
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Brady Harrington, Deputy  
For Gary McDowell, Director  
Michigan Department of Agriculture and  
Rural Development



# CONSOLIDATED CLINTON-IONIA INTERCOUNTY DRAIN DRAINAGE DISTRICT

CLINTON COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER - PHIL HANSES  
IONIA COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSIONER - ROBERT ROSE



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<b>LEGEND</b>	
	PARCELS
	SECTIONS
	Drainage District
	Drain
	LAND ADDED
	LAND REMOVED
	Other Drains
	Municipal Boundaries
	County Roads
	Local Roads

**AGENDA**

**Meeting to Consider Proposed Consolidation of Drains and  
Drainage Districts**

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1. Call to Order
2. Introduction of Drainage Board Members  

**Brady Harrington**, Michigan Dept. of Agriculture & Rural Development  
**Robert Rose**, Ionia County Drain Commissioner  
**Phil Hanses**, Clinton County Drain Commissioner
3. Motion to elect secretary – Board Members
4. Approval of the agenda and meeting minutes
5. Reading of petition, explanation of procedures and voting rules – Chair
6. Motion on sufficiency of the petition – Board Members
7. Public comment and questions (**please complete a speaker card**)
  - Please state name and relation to proposed project
  - Limit comments to 5 minutes until everyone has their first opportunity to speak
  - Be specific/describe problems or desired changes
8. Board Members comments
9. Motion concerning whether or not the requested consolidation is conducive to the public health, convenience, or welfare – Board Members
10. Designate drain name and set apportionment between counties
11. Closing comments and signature of order – Board Members
12. Adjourn

## Explanation of Drain Code Procedure

### **Meeting to Determine Necessity for Consolidation of Intercounty Drains**

This meeting is convened in response to an application to the Clinton and Ionia Intercounty Drain Drainage Board (Ionia and Clinton Counties) received by the Ionia County Drain Commissioner from Lyons Township. This petition requests consolidating the Cook Intercounty Drain and the Clinton and Ionia County Drain and their respective drainage districts under the provisions of Sections 280.441a, Act. No. 40 of the Public Acts of 1956 as amended, the location of said drain or drains or any portion thereof is more or less as described in previous Final Orders of Determination.

This petition is a request to consider consolidating, or combining, two or more drains and drainage districts into a single drain and drainage district. Under the Drain Code the intercounty drainage board is required to hold this public meeting to receive testimony from persons and affected local units of government.

The decision to determine whether or not to consolidate the drains and drainage districts is the judgment of the drainage board by majority vote of its members. **One of the two following decisions will be made by the drainage board at this meeting:**

**If determined conducive to the public health, convenience, or welfare:** The drainage board will sign an order describing the consolidated drain and drainage district. There is no construction project that is contemplated by a consolidation.

**If determined NOT conducive to the public health, convenience, or welfare:** The drainage board will sign an order dismissing the petition. A new petition may not be submitted for one year.

**Cost Information:** The only costs incurred for this process are those involved in your due process, those being publication and mailing. No improvement project is contemplated under an application filed solely for consolidation. The drainage board may elect to complete maintenance on the consolidated drain as proscribed in Section 196 of the Drain Code.