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TO: Mayor Linda Gorton

Urban County Council

FROM:

Gregory S. Lubeck, P.E., Deputy Director

Division of Water Quality

DATE: November 9, 2021

SUBJECT: Request Approval of Memorandum of Agreement with Kentucky River Watershed Watch to

Coordinate Volunteers to Provide Water Quality Monitoring in the North Elkhorn Watershed

Request

The approval of a Memorandum of Agreement with Kentucky River Watershed Watch (KRWW) to engage and coordinate volunteers who will conduct water quality monitoring in the summer of 2022 in the North Elkhorn watershed. The monitoring fulfills a component of LFUCG's Watershed-Focused Monitoring Program (WFMP) which is a requirement of the city's Kentucky Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (KDPES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Permit.

Purpose of Request

Numerous citizens are keenly interested in the quality of Lexington's headwater creeks and have expressed their desire to participate in collecting the data that is necessary to complete the WFMP. KRWW holds the contact list of volunteers who participate in their monitoring activities and documents the training of the volunteers. The Division of Water Quality desires to engage the volunteers in the WFMP and can save time and resources by partnering with KRWW to execute the volunteer engagement.

What is the cost in this budget year and future budget years?

The cost for FY22 is \$5,000.00.

Are the funds budgeted?

Funds are budgeted and available in 4052-303204-3321-71223 2020 STORM_MAIN CONSENT_DE

Director / Commissioner: Martin / Albright

