

2013-008
**DELAWARE COUNTY, INDIANA
RESOLUTION NO.**

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**Resolution as to Phase II Environmental and Engineering Site Assessment Study
for the Proposed Mounds Lake**

WHEREAS, the Anderson Corporation for Economic Development (CED) of Madison County, Indiana has completed a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment and Engineering Study on a proposed 2100 acre reservoir in Madison and Delaware Counties, to be known as the Mounds Lake;

WHEREAS, the creation and development of a reservoir in Madison and Delaware Counties will necessitate cooperation from all affected governmental units as it relates to zoning, highways, commercial and residential development, sewer, water, recreation, engineering and feasibility studies, and sources of funding for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware County Commissioners has determined that there has been sufficient information as to the project to warrant the need for additional study and analysis by the CED so as to move forward to perform a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment and Engineering Study on the proposed Mounds Lake; and

WHEREAS, the Delaware County Commissioners supports CED's proposal to complete a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment and Engineering Study for the proposed Mounds Lake and continue the process for further discussion and analysis.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Delaware County, Indiana as follows:

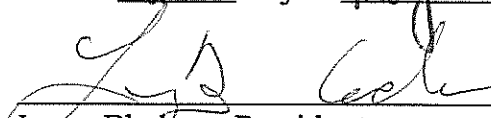
SECTION I: The Commissioners of Delaware County, Indiana has determined that sufficient information has been disseminated as to warrant the preparation of a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment and Engineering Study.

SECTION II: The Commissioners of Delaware County, Indiana supports the proposal of Anderson Corporation for Economic Development (CED) to complete a Phase II Environmental Site Assessment and Engineering Study.


SECTION III: The adoption of this Resolution does not create any type of obligation (financial or otherwise) on the County of Delaware, Indiana.

SECTION IV: The Commissioners of Delaware County believes that further study and discussion of this project is needed to determine the various advantages and disadvantages as to the project and the project's impact on the citizens of Delaware County.

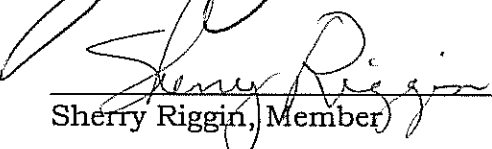
Adopted by the Delaware County Commissioners at their regular meeting held
on the 26 day of May 2013.



Larry Bledsoe, President

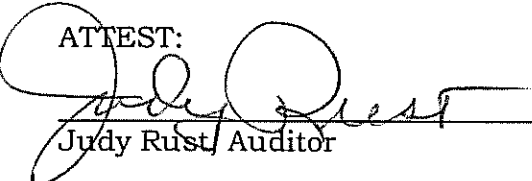


James King, Vice-President



Sherry Riggan, Member

Board of Delaware County Commissioners

ATTEST:


Judy Rust, Auditor



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Dear Elected officials,

Over the last six weeks Mounds Lake has been a large part of the local conversation. I believe at one level or another I have had a chance to talk with each of you. The last of three planned meetings about the Lake will occur Tuesday, April 30th, at Reardon Auditorium on the Anderson University campus, beginning at 7:30pm. If you have not had the chance to attend one, we hope you have the opportunity to do so that evening.

In May I would like to begin the conversation at board or council level regarding passing the attached resolution supporting the Phase II study of the project. It is non-binding and commits no funding. It does not form the proposed *Mounds Lake Commission (MLC)*. It does, however, indicate the desire to see feasibility of the project and pursue a funding partner for its advancement. At this time, we have tried to make it as direct as possible while leaving your board in more of a discovery phase.

The *MLC* will be required in Phase III should this project make it through the next group of studies. The creation of the *MLC* will require an ordinance and the related public meetings to do so, none of which is necessary at this point.

Additionally, we plan to add to the Phase II study a community planning study, led by our local Council of Governments of Madison and Delaware Counties. Though early in the planning, at this point we proposed 15 public meetings in total, five in each town and city, during this summer. This is a direct result from our public meetings where the communities are asking to get involved.

Each member of your board as well as your attorney have been copied on this correspondence. Please make sure we do have the correct email addresses of fellow members. After all members and attorney have reviewed the draft, please reply with any suggestions by May 3rd, if possible. I will make myself available to attend an executive session to process the draft if that would help, and also attend the public meeting when you plan to address the resolution.

Bill Kreegar kreegar@sbcglobal.net, is representing the Mounds Lake for CED and Gracie Suko gsuko@cedanderson.com, is in an administrative role keeping the calendar of meetings and support in public outreach. Please copy all of us on any questions you may have and the date and time you would like this addressed in your public meeting.

In closing, after two letters to impacted property owners, two public meetings drawing 700, extensive media coverage, 10's of thousands of hits on our website and Facebook pages, and several small, public group meetings, I believe that a large majority will support the pursuit of its feasibility. The people most impacted by this project are owed a quick conclusion and I trust each of you will consider the request to advance discussion and vote on a resolution in May.

Thank you for your consideration. I will follow up this correspondence with a telephone call in the next few days.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rob B. Sparks', written in a cursive style.

Rob Sparks, Executive Director