

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Conservation of Natural Resources

Against

Sheldon's Marsh is a unique resource and should be preserved for future generations	44
Sheldon's Marsh is a unique coastal habitat and should be preserved	398

For

No Comments

Economics

Against

Loss of funds generated by birding and eco-tourism	21
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For

Without the project Barnes ability to do business will be impaired	19
Community will loose financial support from Barnes Nursery	1
Workers may be laid off if the project is not implemented	9
Significantly contribute to local economy, tax base, community support, etc	56

Aesthetics

Against

Loss of viewing pristine wetlands	13
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For

Project is not visible from marsh preserve

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General Environment

Against

Encroachment on wildlife habitat	24
Wildlife Study (educational/research)	21
Impacts on flora	10
Introduce invasive species	56
Increase in unwanted boat traffic that will disturb wildlife and ability of people to enjoy marsh	5
Project has caused increased erosion	1
Quality of restoration project has been overestimated	7

For

Canals are good for marshes	1
Project is part of change and will be good for the marsh	2
It has not been clearly demonstrated that the project will harm the marsh	16
Project will be good for the marsh	24
Project will create habitat	8

Historic Properties

Against

Possible presence of cultural artifacts

For

No Comments

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Fish and Wildlife Values

Against

Reduction of bird habitat (including shifts in populations)	36
Negative effect on reptiles	5
Loss of fish habitat/spawning areas	
Negatively impact piping plover habitat	15
Neg. effect on tiger beetle	2
Mudflat is excellent habitat for invertebrates	1
Loss of migration stopover	5
General concern project will negatively effect wildlife	181

For

Project will attract more birds and wildlife	18
The project will be good for aquatic life	8
The project will be good for migratory birds	6

Flood Hazards

Against

Reduce ability of marsh to minimize flooding	2
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For

No Comments

Flood Plain Values

Against

Altered floodplain

For

No Comments

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Water Supply and Conservation

Against

The proposed/existing channel will alter the area's hydrology in a way that will negatively impact the marsh 124
The applicant's incorrectly stated that he is restoring historic connections (i.e. location of historic Black Channel) 11

For

Project will help restore natural water flow 4
Barnes project will not affect the water level in Sheldon's Marsh

Water Quality

Against

Passage of fertilizers and/or chemicals from nursery to marsh 4
Increased turbidity 56
Impair marsh's ability to filter upland runoff water before entering Lake Erie 18
General degradation of water quality 63
Proposed actions will re-suspend contaminants in sediment

For

No Comments

Energy Needs

Against

No Comments 0

For

No Comments

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Land Use

Against

Conflicts with "Lake Erie Protection and Restoration Plan" administered by Ohio Lake Erie Commission

For

No Comments

Navigation

Against

No Comments

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No Comments

Shore Erosion and Accretion

Against

Loss of marsh habitat will lead to increased loss of mainland

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For

No Comments

Recreation

Against

Negative effect on birding

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General (e.g. hiking, walking, and general wildlife viewing)

57

For

Project will improve hunting and fishing

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Consideration of Property Ownership

Against

Actions impact conservation easements of adjacent properties

For

Barnes should be able to use their property to support the nursery 12

General Comments

Against

No apparent reason for objection 100

Project is the precursor to creating a marina 101

Plans to build a casino 6

Should pay to have Town's water 2

Residential development will follow the project 1

Wish to see complete restoration of the marsh 113

Original NWP 27 was incorrectly issued 240

For

Believe a happy medium can be reached 29

Damage will be done in restoring the area 1

No scientific evidence for damage to the marsh

Barnes would not do anything to harm the environment/they are good environmental stewards 39

The real damage done to the marsh was by Sawmill Creek Resort and Point Retreat Condos 8

Jetties at Huron harbor are responsible for habitat degradation and loss of water supply to Barnes Nursery 1

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Safety

Against
No Comments

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For
No Comments

Food and Fiber Production

Against
No Comments

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For
No Comments

Wetland Values

Against
Marsh should be protected because it is designated as a class III Wetland (OEPA)
Barnes' property is part of a wetland complex and directly impacts Sheldon's Marsh
Therefore the area should be preserved in a natural state and free of man-made structures
Coastal marshes are very productive and serve many functions, they should be preserved

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For
Productive wetlands can be restored by the deep water channel and nesting islands

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Mineral Needs

Against
No comments

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For
No Comments

September 2000
1500 feet



Approximate
Footprint

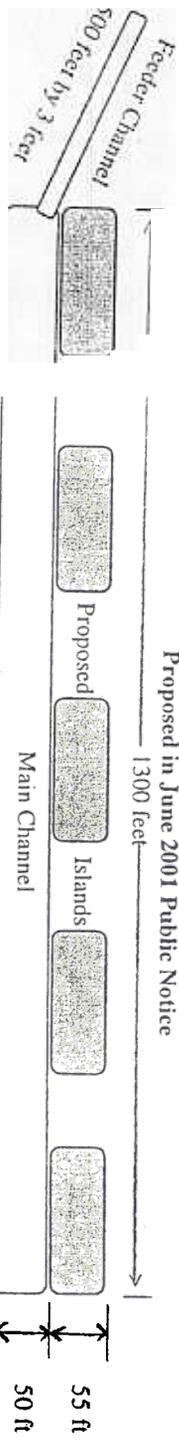
3.6 acre

April 18, 2001
1300 feet



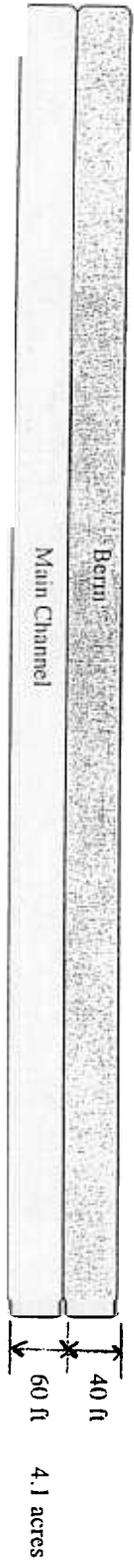
3.1 acres

Proposed in June 2001 Public Notice



3.0 acres

GPS Survey Data from November 2001



4.1 acres

Current Proposal - November 2001



4.2 acre

*NOT TO SCALE

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