

Lake Erie Commission

Dedicated Purpose Fund Group

4C00 780601 Lake Erie Protection

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriations	FY 2025 Appropriations
\$514,317	\$634,201	\$491,781	\$656,766	\$801,000	\$1,416,000
% change	23.3%	-22.5%	33.5%	22.0%	76.8%

Source: Dedicated Purpose Fund Group: (1) \$15 contribution paid by Ohio motorists for the issuance of Lake Erie license plates, (2) annual earnings from the regional endowment of the Great Lakes Protection Fund, a private not-for-profit corporation created in 1989 by one-time contributions of the seven Great Lakes states, (3) cash transfers from state agencies that are participating members of the Commission, and (4) donations, gifts, bequests, or other money received for Lake Erie protection and restoration

Legal Basis: R.C. 1506.23; Section 319.10 of H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 215 of the 122nd G.A.)

Purpose: This line item is used to pay for the Commission’s ongoing annual operating expenses, and to fund grants of up to \$50,000 for research and projects aimed at protecting, preserving, and restoring Lake Erie and its watershed.

6H20 780604 H2Ohio

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriations	FY 2025 Appropriations
\$0	\$0	\$125,000	\$125,000	\$132,000	\$132,000
% change	N/A	N/A	0.0%	5.6%	0.0%

Source: Dedicated Purpose Fund Group: Cash transfers from the surplus balance of the GRF

Legal Basis: R.C. 126.60; Sections 319.10 and 513.10 of H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A. (originally established by H.B. 166 of the 133rd G.A.)

Purpose: This line item is used by the Commission to develop an H2Ohio Response Model (a tool to evaluate work being done to mitigate harmful algal blooms).

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Federal Fund Group

3EPO 780603 LEC Federal Grants

FY 2020 Actual	FY 2021 Actual	FY 2022 Actual	FY 2023 Actual	FY 2024 Appropriations	FY 2025 Appropriations
\$848,721	\$627,659	\$612,814	\$137,783	\$50,000	\$50,000
% change	-26.0%	-2.4%	-77.5%	-63.7%	0.0%

Source: Federal Fund Group: FAL 66.469, Great Lakes Program

Legal Basis: Section 319.10 of H.B. 33 of the 135th G.A. (originally established by Controlling Board on December 13, 2010)

Purpose: This line item is used to disburse federal grants awarded for the purpose of undertaking Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) projects. Since FY 2018, it is primarily being used to disburse three awards: (1) effective FY 2019, a \$2.5 million grant for partial implementation of Ohio’s Domestic Action Plan to reach the 40% nutrient reduction target in the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, (2) effective FY 2020, a \$374,865 grant to implement the West Branch Euclid Creek–Mayfield Stream Restoration Project and (3) effective FY 2022, a \$75,000 grant to support the West Creek Conservancy's Brandywine Creek project.