

Drainage Improvement Petition Procedure

In accordance with Section 904.G.1 of the Delaware County Engineer's Design, Construction and Surveying Standards Manual, all drainage improvements constructed within subdivisions, and for all drainage improvements on private developments, such as multi-family, commercial, common access drives and industrial sites where offsite water flows across the site, shall be placed on County Maintenance through the ditch petition laws of the State of Ohio (ORC 6131 and 6137).

At the time the plat of any subdivision or drainage easement(s) for a site is brought to the Delaware County Commissioners for approval, a petition requesting that the drainage improvements be placed on County Maintenance shall accompany it. A sample copy of the petition is included in this section. The petition shall include the following attachments, unless noted otherwise:

- Exhibit A A copy of the plat or drainage easement(s) in the size that will be recorded

- Exhibit B A copy of the Owner's Agreement with any Surety, if applicable. Please note that in some cases Exhibit "B" is not required and the sample petitions do not include a reference to Exhibit "B".

- Exhibit C A copy of the drainage plans for the subdivision or site delineating the improvements to be placed on County Maintenance. This exhibit shall be developed in consultation with the County Engineer and the County Engineer shall make the final decision regarding the scope of maintenance. A sample copy of Exhibit C is included in this section.

- Exhibit D A cost estimate for the construction cost of improvements delineated in Exhibit "C" based on the Delaware County Engineer's most current unit prices.

The current unit prices can be obtained from the County Engineer's Website at the following link:
<http://www.co.delaware.oh.us/engineer/drp.htm>.

The petition and attachments shall be submitted a minimum of 2 weeks prior to placing the plat or drainage easement(s) on the County Commissioner's Agenda. No plat or drainage easement(s) will be placed on the Commissioner's agenda unless accompanied by a complete petition package approved by the County Engineer. The drainage easement(s) shall be recorded (if not done so already) once approved by the County Commissioners.