MEDIA ALERT
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WGTE TO AIR DOCUMENTARY AND LIVE TOWN HALL ON CURRENT STATE OF THE MAUMEE RIVER WATERSHED
Thursday, September 2, starting at 8:00 p.m.

Toledo, OH – This Thursday, September 2, starting at 8:00 p.m., WGTE TV will air a documentary called WATERSHED MENTALITY which explores the issues that impact the water quality of the Maumee River Basin, the largest watershed in the Great Lakes system. Immediately following the documentary at 8:30 p.m., WGTE will then air a live Town Hall meeting from its studio. Bill Harris hosts this discussion of the current state of the water quality of the Maumee River watershed. Viewers can participate by calling 419-380-4664 or emailing townhall@wgte.org during this live program. The panel of experts includes:

- U.S. Representative Marcy Kaptur from Ohio's 9th District;
- Dr. Thomas Bridgeman from the University of Toledo's Lake Erie Center & Department of Environmental Sciences;
- Dr. Peter Richards from Heidelberg University & the National Center for Water Quality Research;
- Edwin Hammett, Executive Director from the Lake Erie Commission; and,
- Gail Hesse from the Ohio EPA's Division of Surface Water.

Viewers may also watch the program and participate online at www.knowledgestream.org.

WHAT: Documentary and Live Town Hall Meeting on the Current State of the Maumee River Watershed

WHEN: Thursday, September 2
8:00 p.m. WATERSHED MENTALITY
8:30 p.m. WGTE TOWN HALL: WATERSHED MENTALITY

WHERE: Broadcast on WGTE HD
(Over the air channel 30.1; Buckeye Cable channels 9 and 630)

For more information or to schedule an interview, please contact Jen Homier at 419-380-4655 or public_relations@wgte.org .

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