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Drainage Survey Looking for Answers

Hardin County – Did you receive a drainage survey in the mail from The Ohio State University? If so, have you had a chance to fill it out and send it in? Randomly selected landowners in Hardin, Van Wert, and Williams Counties were sent a copy of the survey in March. Their names and addresses were taken from county public records. The purpose of the survey is to inform landowners about conservation practices and drainage management policies in order to help them make land management decisions.

Conservation practices and drainage management policies are currently being discussed at state and local levels. These discussions should include views from local landowners before policy decisions are made. That is the reason why landowners in these three counties are being surveyed. Like any survey, answers will be kept confidential and reported only in summary form. Participation in this landowner survey is voluntary and there is no penalty or loss of benefits if a landowner chooses not to participate. However, participation is important so that Hardin County landowners' views are represented in the results.

The Ohio Drainage Management Survey is being conducted by the Graduate Research Department of the School of Environment and Natural Resources, College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences at The Ohio State University. We hope that you will choose to participate in this study if you received a survey in the mail. This way you will have an opportunity to voice your perspective on important land use issues and be better informed to make conservation related decisions.

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