

UNCONSOLIDATED AQUIFER SYSTEMS OF DAVIESS COUNTY, INDIANA

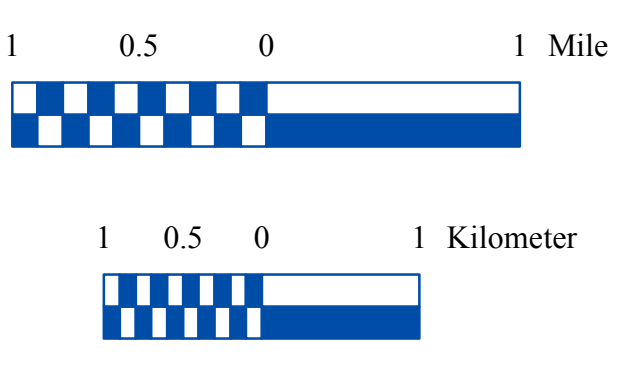
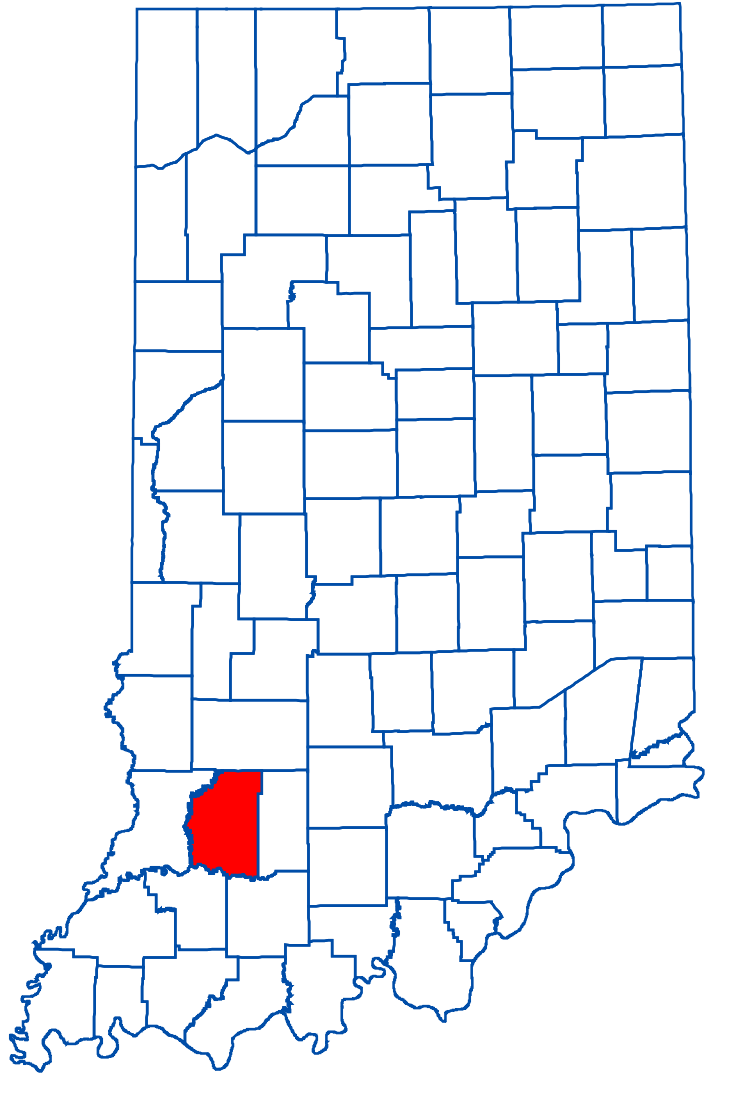
Six unconsolidated aquifer systems have been mapped in Daviess County: the Dissected Till and Residuum / Unglaciated Southern Hills and Lowlands; the Alluvial, Lacustrine, and Backwater Deposits; the Wabash Lowland / Crawford Upland Till Subsystem; the White River and Tributaries Outwash Aquifer System; the White River and Tributaries Outwash Aquifer Subsystem; and the Coal Mine Spoil Aquifer System. The first five unconsolidated aquifer systems comprise sediments that were deposited primarily by glaciers and their meltwaters, or are thin, eroded residuum (a product of bedrock weathering). However, some sediments in the Alluvial, Lacustrine, and Backwater Deposits Aquifer System were deposited by flowing water not originating from glaciers. Boundaries of some of these aquifer systems are in places gradational, and individual aquifers may extend across aquifer system boundaries.

The most productive unconsolidated aquifer system in Daviess County is the White River and Tributaries Outwash Aquifer System with its extensive sand and gravel deposits that occur along the western and southern boundary of the county. Expected yields from this system range from about 300 to 1500 gallons per minute for large-diameter wells. This aquifer system is highly susceptible to contamination in areas that lack overlying clay layers. Areas within the system that are overlain by thick layers of clay or silt are moderately susceptible to surface contamination.

The least productive aquifer system is the Dissected Till and Residuum / Unglaciated Southern Hills and Lowlands Aquifer System that encompasses almost half of the county. The potential for successful wells in this aquifer system is low. Some old dug wells probably still exist, but their yields would also be quite low. Because of the low permeability of the surface materials, this system is not very susceptible to contamination from surface sources.

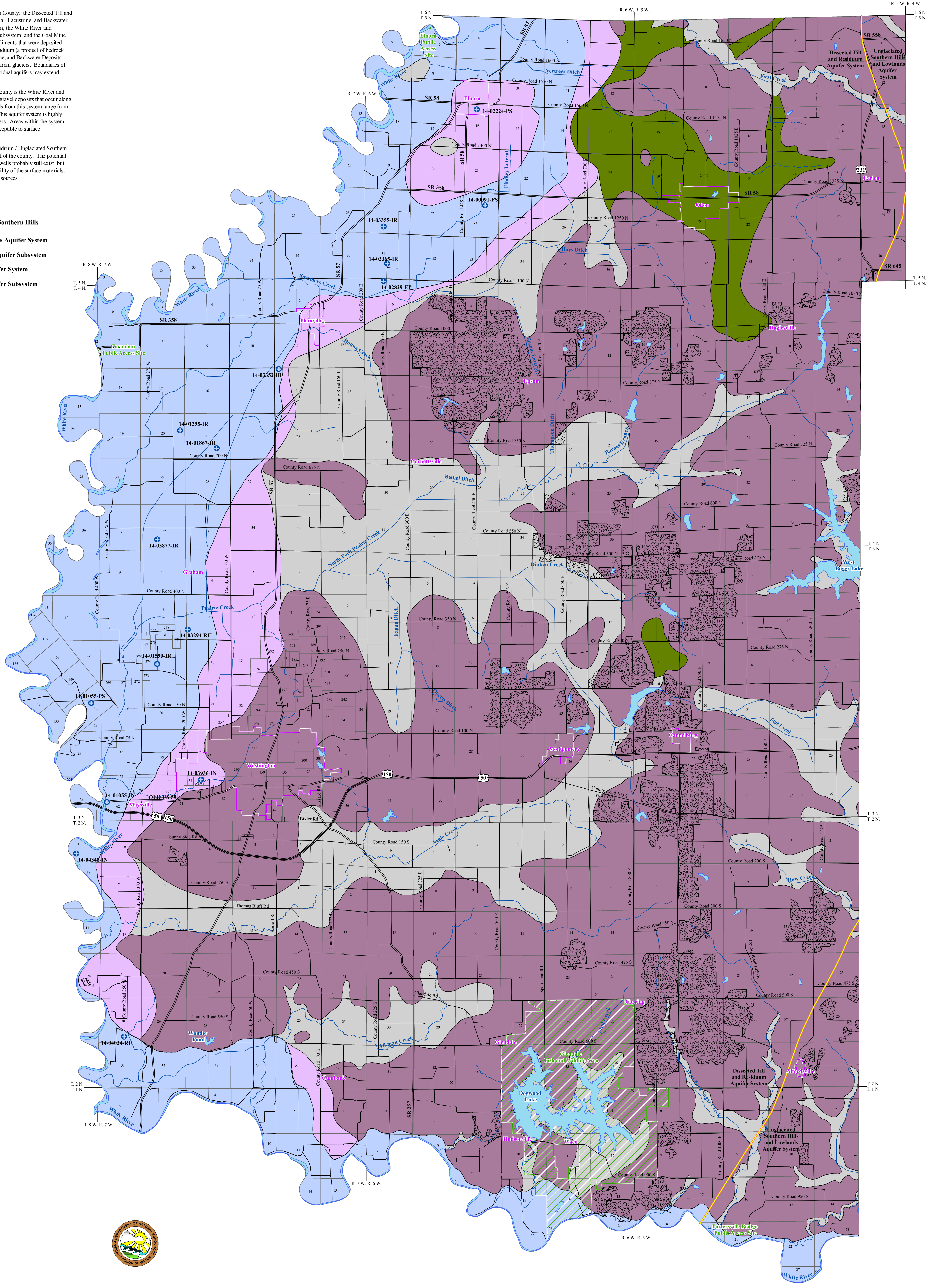
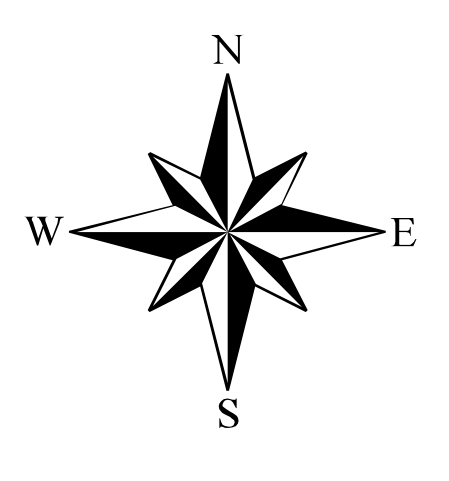
- Dissected Till and Residuum / Unglaciated Southern Hills and Lowlands Aquifer System
- Alluvial, Lacustrine, and Backwater Deposits Aquifer System
- Wabash Lowland / Crawford Upland Till Aquifer Subsystem
- White River and Tributaries Outwash Aquifer System
- White River and Tributaries Outwash Aquifer Subsystem
- Coal Mine Spoil Aquifer System

Location Map



EXPLANATION

- Small Surface Mine (Abandoned)
- Registered Significant Ground-water Withdrawal Well
- County Road
- State Road & US Highway
- Approximate Southern Limit of Older Glacial Deposits
- Stream
- Municipal Boundary
- DNR Managed Lands
- Lake & River



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