

AGENDA
STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, October 17 2012, 1:00 PM
Community Center at Hummel Park
1500 S Center Street
Plainfield, IN 46168

- I. 1:00 PM: Call to Order**
- II. Approve Minutes of September 2012**
- III. Clean Water Indiana**
 - a. Budget Update-Sarah Simpson
 - b. CREP Report-Logan Garner (See Attachments)
 - c. 2013 Grant Applications-Grants Committee (See Attachments)
- IV. Soil and Water Conservation Districts**
 - a. Temporary Supervisor Appointments-Jennifer Pinkston (See Attachments)
 - b. Election Dates and Reminders-Jim Lake
- V. SSCB Reports**
 - a. SSCB Chairman's Report-Larry Clemens
 - b. SSCB Attendance at Region Meetings
- VI. ISDA Reports**
 - a. Technical Assistance Report-Deb Fairhurst
 - b. Accountability and Technology Report-Deb Fairhurst
 - c. Agricultural Affairs Report-Jordan Seger
 - d. District Support Update-Jim Lake
 - e. Water Quality Update-Logan Garner
- VII. Conservation Partner Reports**
 - a. IASWCD Report
 - b. IDEM Report
 - c. DNR Report
 - d. Purdue Report
 - e. FSA Report
 - f. NRCS Report
- VIII. Public Comment**
- IX. Next Meeting: TBA**
- X. Adjourn**

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	Appropriation	\$ Spent YTD	Encumbrance	Remaining Balance	% of Approp w/Encumbr
Personal Services	1,214,378	258,732	0	955,646	21.31%
Utilities//ID Bill Expense	14,600	1,829	0	12,771	12.53%
Contract Services	660,000	0	0	660,000	0.00%
Supplies, Materials, Parts	1,000	2,088	0	(1,088)	208.76%
Grants, Subsidies & Awards	1,119,676	14,869	7,161	1,097,646	1.97%
Administrative & Operating Exp	97,049	2,295	0	94,754	2.36%
	3,106,703	279,813	7,161	2,819,730	9.24%



Grants Committee Warren Baird Bill Mann Brett Glick

Clean Water Indiana 2013 Grant Committee Proposal

Twenty five applications, representing 53 districts, were submitted for the 2013 Clean Water Indiana Grants round for a total of \$1,659,600. (See Table 1 and maps titled "2013 Multi-district Watershed Grant Proposals-Lead Districts and Breakdown of Funds Requested" and "2013 Multi-district Watershed Grant Proposals".) Applicants could apply for up to \$25,000 a year for up to three years in the following categories: Cost Share, Professional Assistance, and Adult Education (limit \$1,500 per year). Applications totaled \$1,129,053 in Cost Share, \$491,300 in Professional Assistance and \$39,247 in Adult Education. (Chart 1)

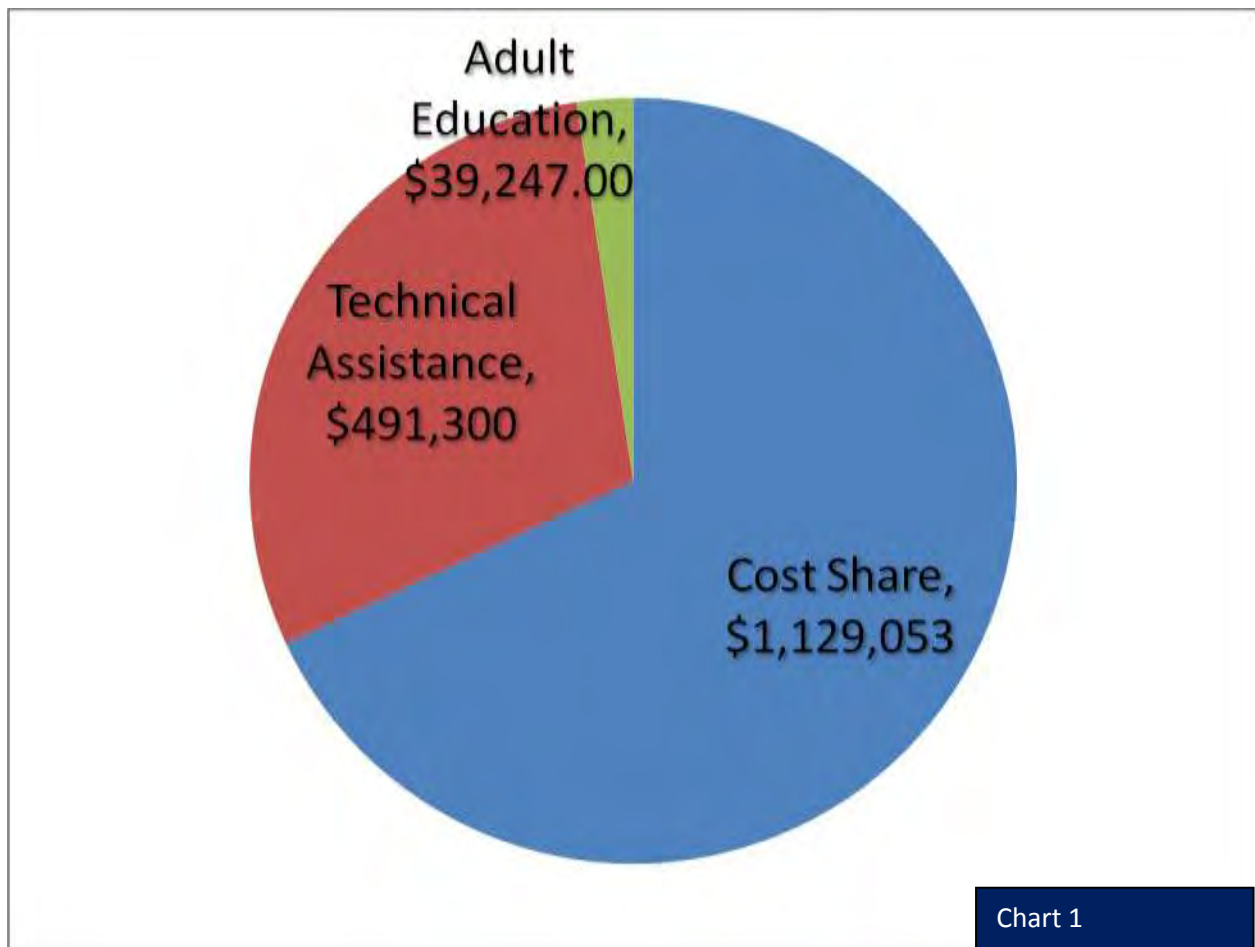


Chart 1

Lead District	participating Districts	Amt Requested	Project Title
Benton	Newton	\$ 60,000.00	Improving and Protecting Water Quality in the Iroquois Watershed
Boone	Clinton	\$ 75,000.00	Watershed Land Treatment
Brown	Monroe	\$ 64,800.00	Non-Traditional Crop Land BMPs
Gibson	Pike	\$ 75,000.00	Gibson/Pike Continuous Cooperative Partnership
Monroe	Greene	\$ 70,000.00	GRAZING AND FOREST LANDS CONSERVATIONIST No-till Planter Support Consultant
Hendricks	Boone	\$ 40,500.00	
Jasper	Newton	\$ 75,000.00	Keeping Nitrogen and Bacteria on Site and Out of our Waters.
Jay	Blackford	\$ 18,500.00	Salamonie River Watershed Financial Incentive Program.
Orange	Martin	\$ 75,000.00	Lost River Nutrient and Sediment Reduction Initiative
Allen	Adams, Wells	\$ 75,000.00	Connecting Communities to Conservation
Cass	Fulton, Howard	\$ 75,000.00	COVER CROP COST-SHARE
Dearborn	Ohio, Switzerland	\$ 75,000.00	Dearborn, Ohio and Switzerland County Water Quality Improvement Project
Posey	Vanderburgh, Warrick	\$ 60,000.00	Southwest Indiana Cover Crop Program
Shelby	Rush, Hancock	\$ 75,000.00	Improving Soil Health and Water Quality with Cover Crops/Soil Testing
Spencer	Perry, Warrick	\$ 60,000.00	Cover Crop Incentive Program
WHITE	Pulaski & Fulton	\$ 10,800.00	PROMOTING NUTRIENT AND PEST MANAGEMENT PLANS
Bartholomew	Decatur, Jennings, Jackson	\$ 75,000.00	Implementing Conservation Systems to Improve Soil Health and Reduce Nutrient Runoff
Daviess	Knox Pike Gibson	\$ 75,000.00	Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative Local Facilitation Program
Hancock	Hamilton, Madison, Marion	\$ 75,000.00	Implementing Backyard Conservation in the Fall Creek Watershed
Perry	Crawford, Harrison, and Washington	\$ 75,000.00	Sustainable Livestock Systems Initiative
Jefferson	Clark, Jackson, Jennings, Scott	\$ 75,000.00	Better Soil. Cleaner Water. More profit
Martin	Jackson, Lawrence, Orange, Washington	\$ 75,000.00	Title: Drought Relief Incentives for Pastures (DRIP)
Clark	Floyd, Jackson, Jennings, Jefferson, and Scott	\$ 75,000.00	Rain Gardens for Water Quality
Owen	Monroe	\$ 75,000.00	McCormick's Creek Watershed Nitrification, Sedimentation and Bacterial Reduction Partnership
Putnam	Boone, Hendricks	\$ 75,000.00	Big Walnut
		\$1,659,600.00	

Table 1

The grants committee and the district support specialists reviewed the grant applications and recommend funding nine grants. Due to budget cuts affecting the Clean Water Indiana fund, the grants committee recommends reducing total funding of each application to a maximum of \$70,000. In addition, some grants are recommended to be funded with further reductions. See Tables 2 and 3, and maps titled “2013 Multi-district Watershed Grant Recommendations-Breakdown of Funds Requested” and “2013 Multi-district Watershed Grant Recommendations”.

Lead District	Amount Applied	Recommended Funding	Notes
Jefferson	\$75,000	\$70,000	Reduced by \$5,000 due to limited funding
Allen	\$75,000	\$70,000	Reduced by \$5,000 due to limited funding
Martin	\$75,000	\$70,000	Reduced by \$5,000 due to limited funding
Hancock	\$75,000	\$70,000	Reduced by \$5,000 due to limited funding
Gibson	\$75,000	\$25,000	Removed equipment request
Posey	\$60,000	\$27,000	Removed equipment request
Orange	\$75,000	\$70,000	Reduced by \$5,000 due to limited funding
Owen	\$75,000	\$70,000	Reduced by \$5,000 due to limited funding
Dearborn	\$66,500	\$57,676.39	Reduced to maximum level funding available
TOTAL:		\$529,676.39	

Table 2

Lead District	Funding Recommendations	Cost Share	Technical Assistance	Adult Education
Allen	\$70,000	\$0	\$70,000	\$0
Dearborn	\$57,676.39	\$53,176.39	\$0	\$4,500
Gibson	\$25,000	\$22,250	\$0	\$2,750
Hancock	\$70,000	\$33,500	\$36,500	\$0
Jefferson	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$0	\$0
Martin	\$70,000	\$70,000	\$0	\$0
Orange	\$70,000	\$29,000	\$36,500	\$4,500
Owen	\$70,000	\$20,000	\$47,500	\$2,500
Posey	\$27,000	\$27,000	\$0	\$0

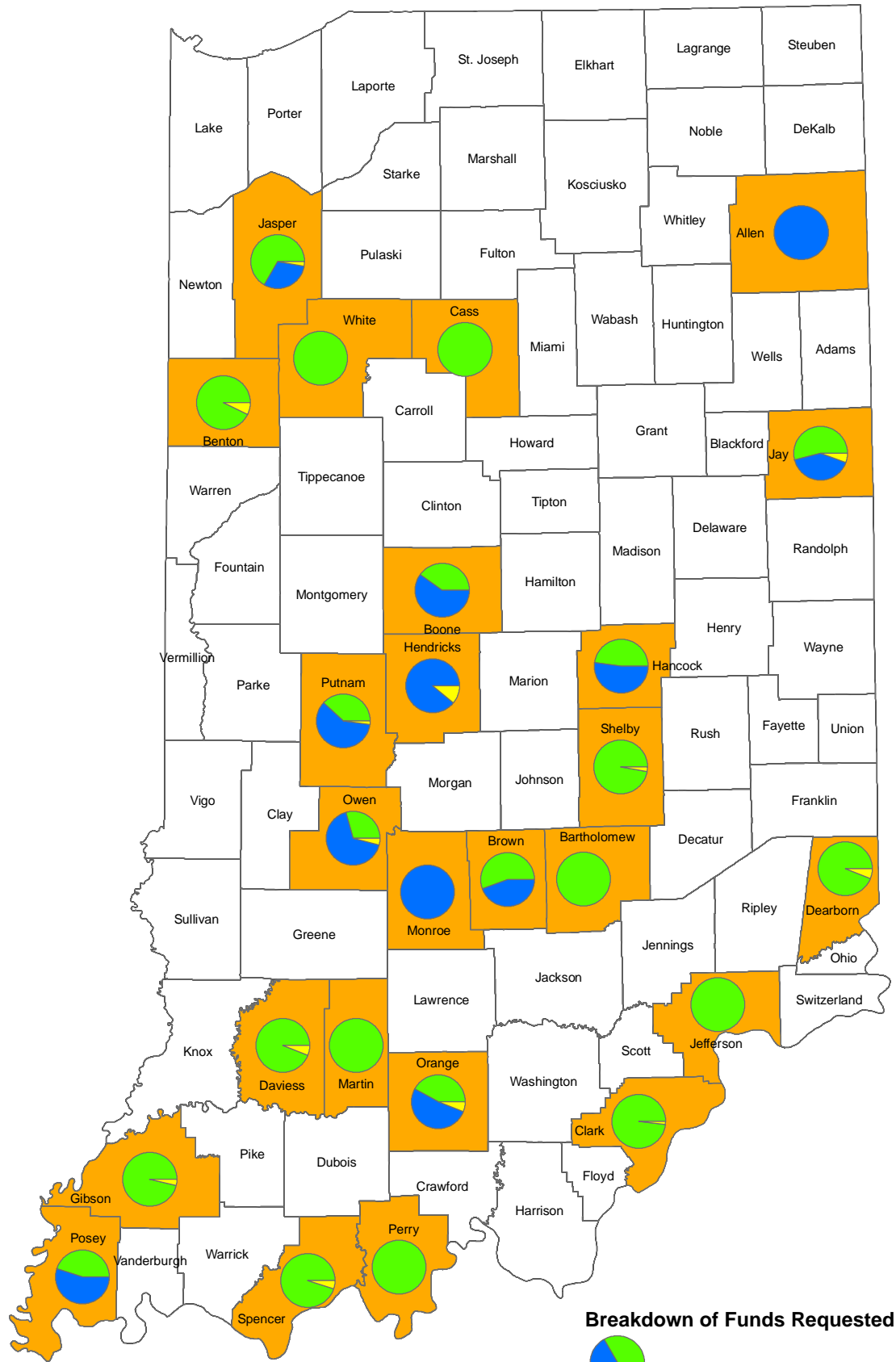
Total \$529,676.39

Table 3

The above recommendations reflect 61% cost share, 36% technical assistance and 3% adult education.

2013 Multi-district Watershed Grant Proposals

Lead Districts and Breakdown of Funds Requested



Breakdown of Funds Requested

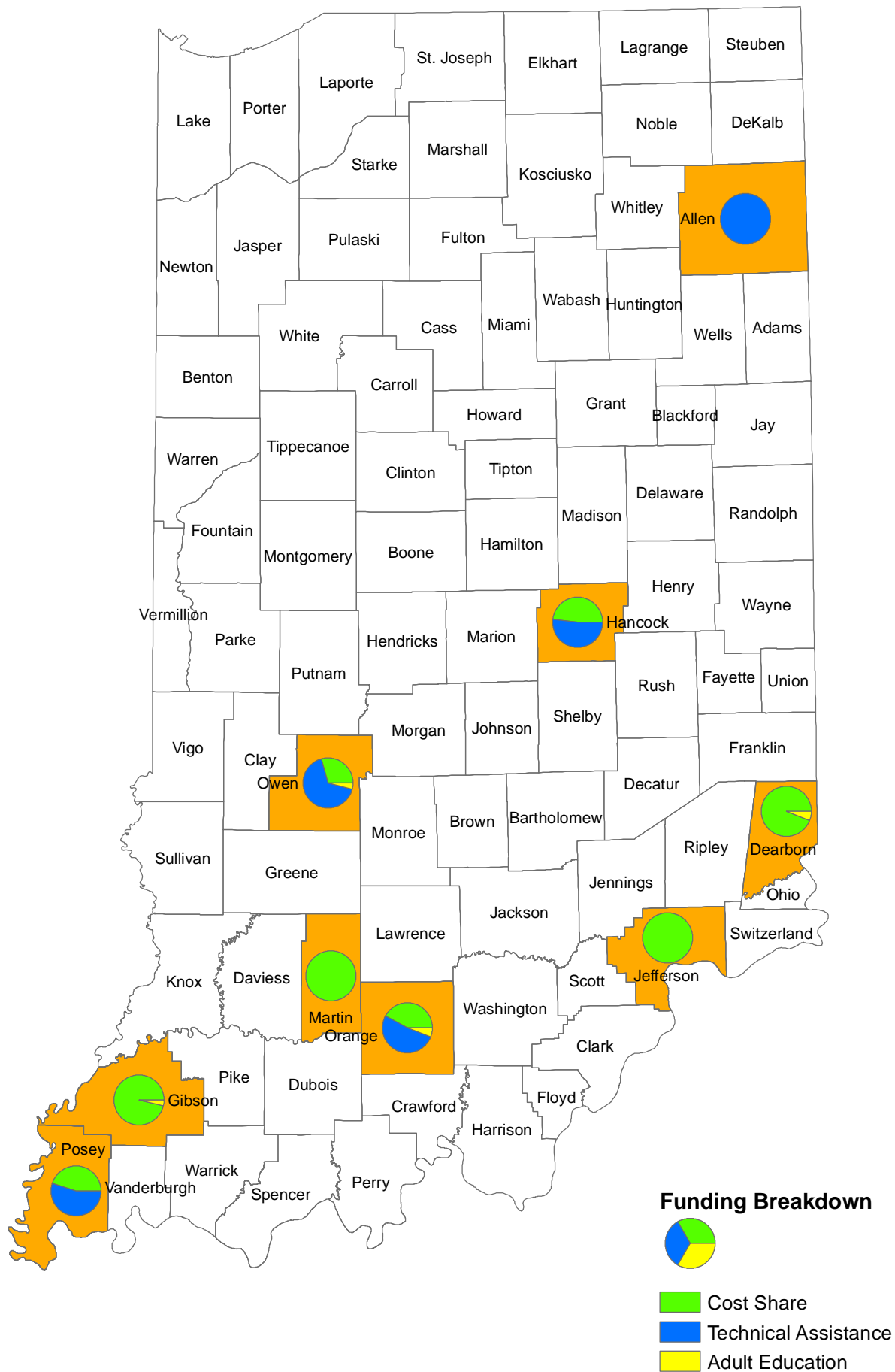


- Cost Share
- Technical Assistance
- Adult Education
- SWCDs Who Applied for CWI Grant Funds
- SWCDs Who Did Not Apply for CWI Grant Funds

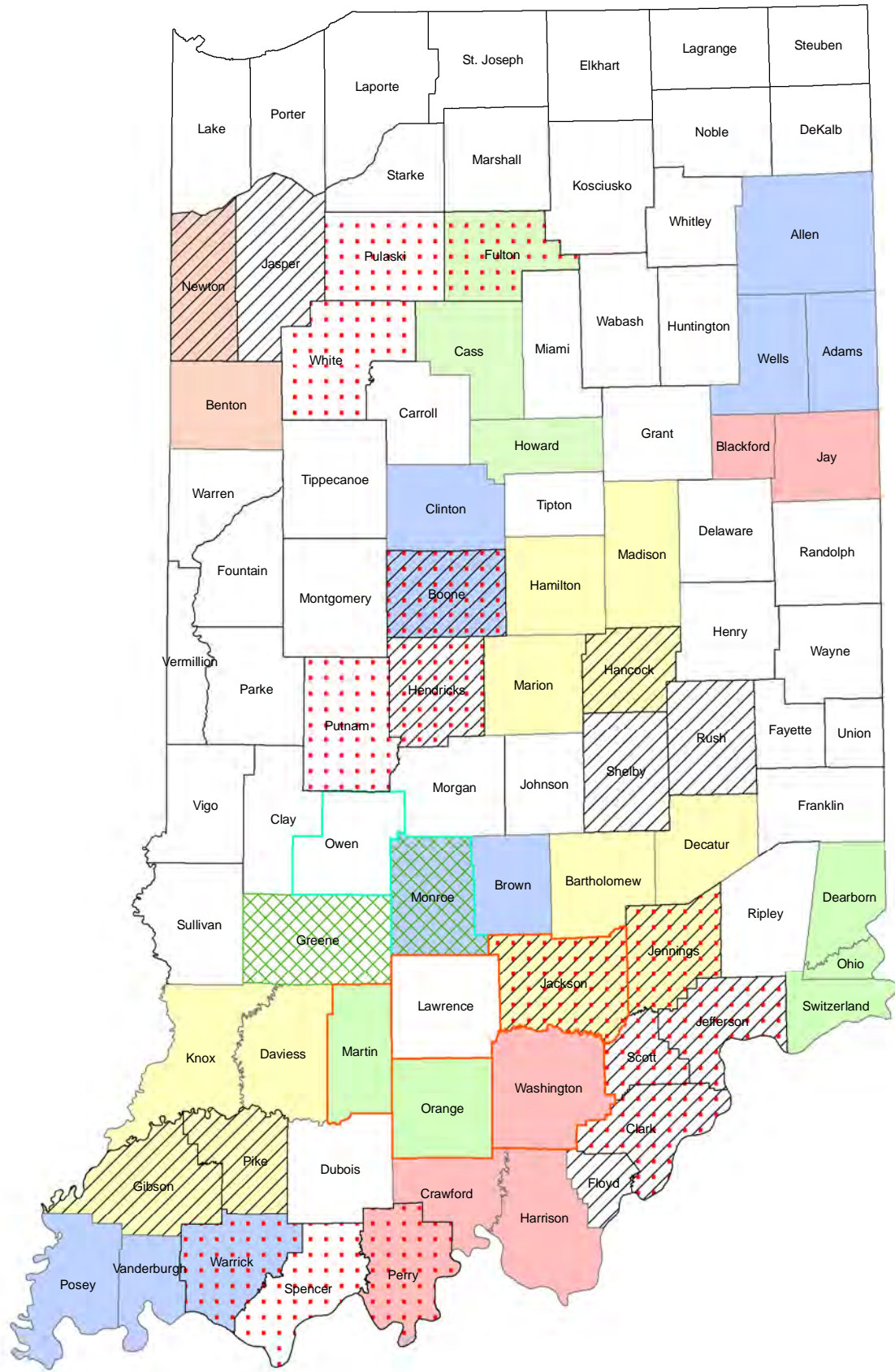
Total Cost Share Funds Requested	\$1,129,053
Total Technical Assistance Funds Requested	\$491,300
Total Adult Education Funds Requested	\$39,247
Total CWI Funds Requested	\$1,659,600

2013 Multi-district Watershed Grant Recommendations

Breakdown of Funds Requested

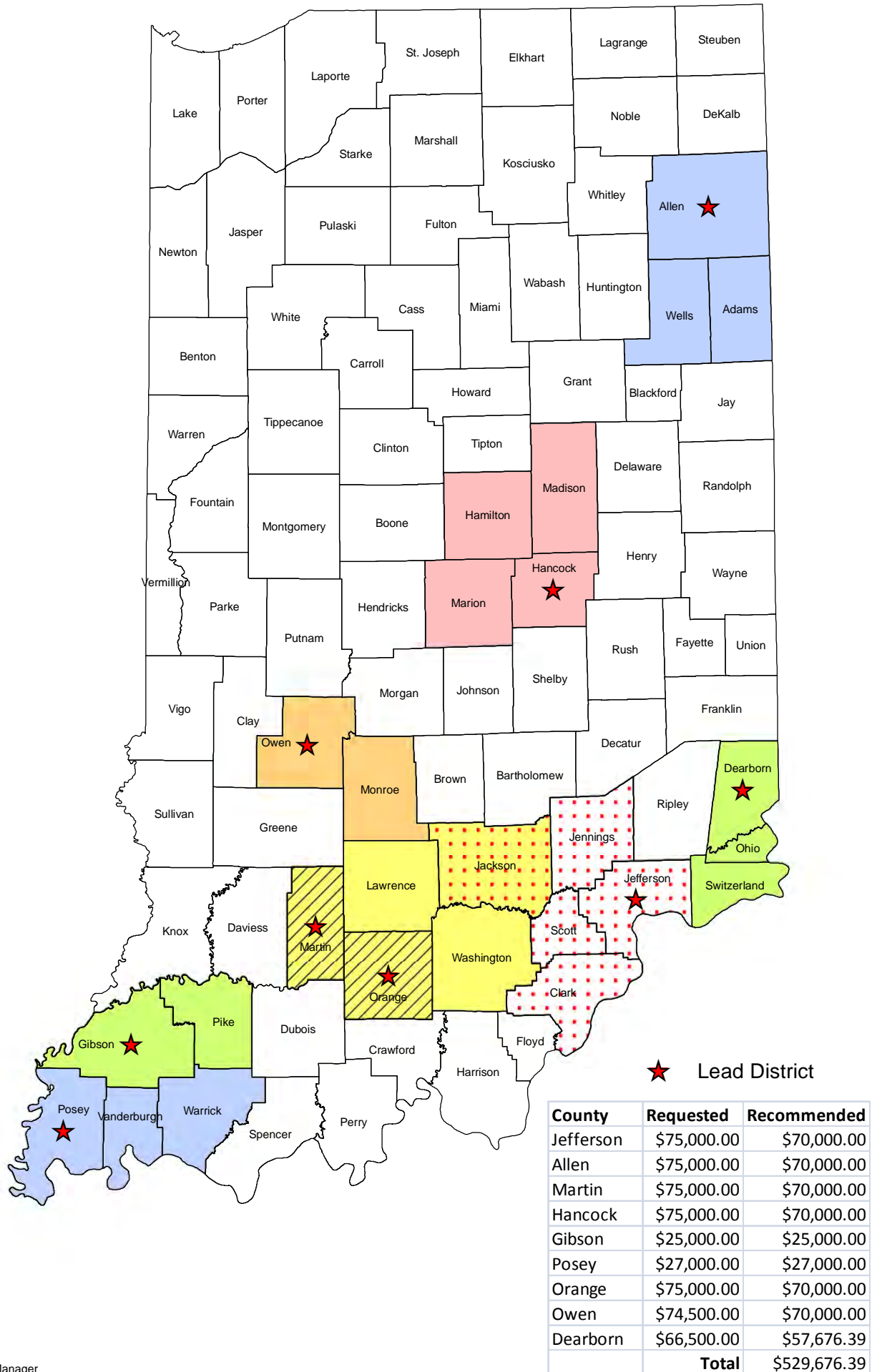


2013 Multi-district Watershed Grant Proposals



25 SWCDs Submitted Grant Proposals
50 SWCDs Applied as Participating Districts

2013 Multi-district Watershed Grant Recommendations



Watershed	SWCD CREP Administrators	Completed Contracts	Completed State Funds (Paid to Landowner)	SWCD Administrative Fees	Native Grasses	Permanent Wildlife Habitat	Filter Strip	Hardwood Tree Planting	Riparian Buffer	Bottomland Timber Establishment	Wetland Restoration	Wetland Restoration (non floodplain)	Total
					CP-2 Acres	CP-4D Acres	CP-21 Acres	CP-3A Acres	CP-22 Acres	CP-31 Acres	CP-23 Acres	CP-23A Acres	
Upper White River Watershed	Hamilton Co.	230	\$594,935.0	\$0.0	1.6	0.0	412.7	1.0	116.5	928.3	0.0	20.4	1,480.5
Tippecanoe River Watershed	Fulton Co.	519	\$755,365.0	\$0.0	0.0	0.0	2,916.8	0.0	7.8	20.4	121.7	924.0	3,990.7
Highland-Pigeon Watershed	Gibson Co.	107	\$104,097.0	\$0.0	2.5	0.0	214.8	10.8	16.0	109.3	0.0	0.0	353.4
Total:		856	\$1,454,397.0		4.1	0.0	3,544.3	11.8	140.3	1,058.0	121.7	944.4	5,824.6

Post-Expansion

Watershed	SWCD CREP Administrators	Completed Contracts	Completed State Funds (Paid to Landowner)	SWCD Administrative Fees	Native Grasses	Permanent Wildlife Habitat	Filter Strip	Hardwood Tree Planting	Riparian Buffer	Bottomland Timber Establishment	Wetland Restoration	Wetland Restoration (non floodplain)	Total
				(since expansion)	CP-2 Acres	CP-4D Acres	CP-21 Acres	CP-3A Acres	CP-22 Acres	CP-31 Acres	CP-23 Acres	CP-23A Acres	
Upper White River	Hamilton Co.	23	\$79,385.00	\$7,938.50	11.5	0.0	55.5	0.0	34.7	82.9	0.0	0.0	184.6
Tippecanoe River	Fulton Co.	3	\$4,530.00	\$453.00	37.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	37.0
Highland-Pigeon	Gibson Co.	1	\$1,800.00	\$180.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	4.5	0.0	0.0	4.5
Lower East Fork	Orange Co.	10	\$91,590.00	\$9,159.00	9.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	18.7	208.6	0.0	0.0	237.0
Lower Wabash	Gibson Co.	1	\$2,504.00	\$250.40	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	0.0	6.3
Lower White	Daviess Co.	6	\$9,670.00	\$967.00	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.5	0.0	0.0	32.2
Middle Wabash Busseron	Sullivan Co.	14	\$206,880.00	\$20,688.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	517.2	0.0	0.0	517.2
Middle Wabash Deer	Howard Co.	2	\$8,480.00	\$848.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.2	0.0	0.0	21.2
Middle Wabash Vermillion	Parke Co.	3	\$3,376.00	\$337.60	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	84.4	0.0	0.0	84.4
Upper East Fork White	Decatur Co.	5	\$25,080.00	\$2,508.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.4	0.0	29.3	0.0	0.0	62.7
Upper Wabash	Huntington Co.	4	\$19,560.00	\$1,956.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	48.9	0.0	0.0	48.9
Total:		72	\$483,239.00	\$48,323.50	68.9	0.0	55.5	33.4	53.4	1,024.8	0.0	0.0	1,236.0

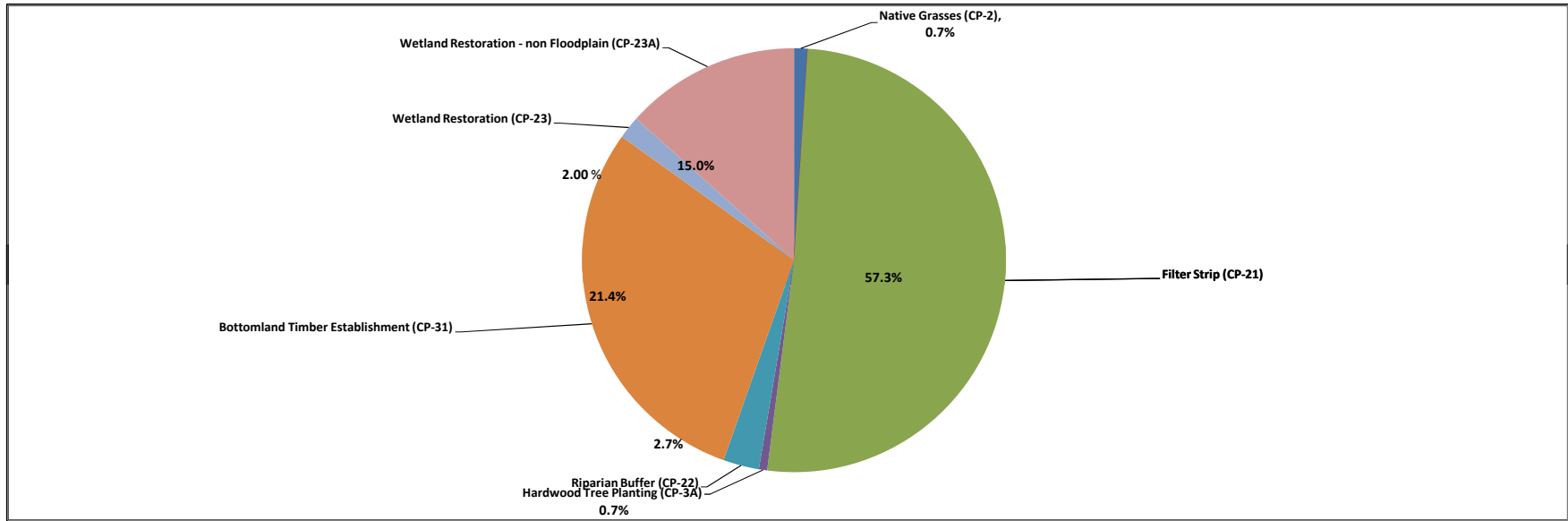
Total Pre and Post

Watershed	SWCD CREP Administrators	Completed Contracts	Completed State Funds (Paid to Landowner)	SWCD Administrative Fees ⁽¹⁾	Native Grasses	Permanent Wildlife Habitat	Filter Strip	Hardwood Tree Planting	Riparian Buffer	Bottomland Timber Establishment	Wetland Restoration	Wetland Restoration (non floodplain)	Total
					CP-2 Acres	CP-4D Acres	CP-21 Acres	CP-3A Acres	CP-22 Acres	CP-31 Acres	CP-23 Acres	CP-23A Acres	
Upper White River Watershed	Hamilton Co.	253	\$674,320.00	\$7,938.50	13.1	0.0	468.2	1.0	151.2	1,011.2	0.0	20.4	1,665.1
Tippecanoe River Watershed	Fulton Co.	522	\$759,895.00	\$2,026.00	37.0	0.0	2,916.8	0.0	7.8	20.4	121.7	924.0	4,027.7
Highland-Pigeon Watershed	Gibson Co.	108	\$105,897.00	\$180.00	2.5	0.0	214.8	10.8	16.0	113.8	0.0	0.0	357.9
Lower East Fork	Orange Co.	10	\$91,590.00	\$9,159.00	9.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	18.7	208.6	0.0	0.0	237.0
Lower Wabash	Gibson Co.	1	\$2,504.00	\$250.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	6.3	0.0	0.0	6.3
Lower White	Daviess Co.	6	\$9,670.00	\$967.00	10.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.5	0.0	0.0	32.2
Middle Wabash Busseron	Sullivan Co.	14	\$206,880.00	\$20,688.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	517.2	0.0	0.0	517.2
Middle Wabash Deer	Howard Co.	2	\$8,480.00	\$848.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	21.2	0.0	0.0	21.2
Middle Wabash Vermillion	Parke Co.	3	\$3,376.00	\$3,376.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	84.4	0.0	0.0	84.4
Upper East Fork White	Decatur Co.	5	\$25,080.00	\$2,508.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	33.4	0.0	29.3	0.0	0.0	62.7
Upper Wabash	Huntington Co.	4	\$19,560.00	\$1,956.00	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	48.9	0.0	0.0	48.9
Current Reporting Period (ending on July 11, 2012)	Total	928	\$1,937,636.00	\$78,967.50	73.0	0.0	3,599.8	45.2	193.7	2,082.8	121.7	944.4	7,060.6
Previous Reporting Period (April 2012)	Total	882	\$1,629,366.00	\$48,140.50	39.7	0.0	3,555.0	45.2	169.6	1,324.4	121.7	944.4	6,200.0
Change Since October 2011		46	\$308,270.00	\$30,827.00	33.3	0.0	44.8	0.0	24.1	758.4	0.0	0.0	860.6

(1) Totals include pre-expansion projects that have been completed and paid to the SWCDs after expansion

Native Grasses (CP-2)	1.03%
Filter Strip (CP-21)	50.98%
Hardwood Tree Planting (CP-3A)	0.64%
Riparian Buffer (CP-22)	2.74%
Bottomland Timber Establishment (CP-31)	29.50%
Wetland Restoration (CP-23)	1.72%
Wetland Restoration - non Floodplain (CP-23A)	13.38%

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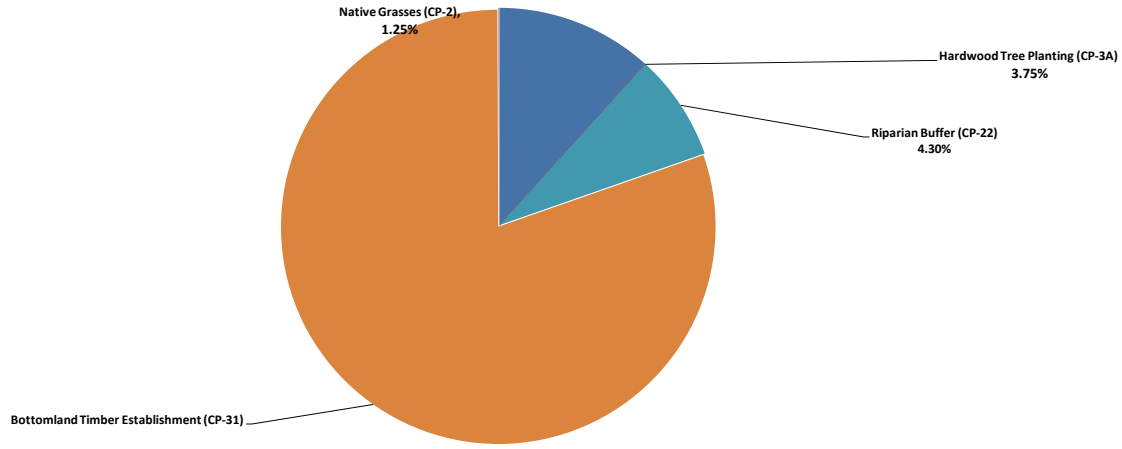


FUTURE/IN PROGRESS NOT DONE FOR APRIL 2012 REPORT

Watershed	SWCD CREP Administrators	Native Grasses	Permanent Wildlife Habitat	Filter Strip	Hardwood Tree Planting	Riparian Buffer	Bottomland Timber Establishment	Wetland Restoration	Wetland Restoration (non floodplain)	Total
		CP-2	CP-4D	CP-21	CP-3A	CP-22	CP-31	CP-23	CP-23A	
		Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres	Acres
Upper White River Watershed	Hamilton Co.	1.0		0.6		115.9	56.1			173.6
Tippecanoe River Watershed	Fulton Co.	74.8		24.3					1.0	100.1
Highland-Pigeon Watershed	Gibson Co.	1.7				2.5	77.5			81.7
Middle-Wabash-Busseron	Sullivan Co.	52.4				2.0	274.3			328.7
Middle Wabash Vermillion	Parke Co.						3.1			3.1
Lower East Fork White	Orange Co.	24.3				4.0	264.7			293.0
Lower Wabash	Gibson Co.						332.5			332.5
Lower White	Daviess Co.	18.7					154.6			173.3
Middle Wabash Deer	Howard Co.	6.6				3.0	54.2			63.8
Middle Wabash Vermillion	Parke Co.						51.0			51.0
Upper East Fork White	Decatur Co.	5.0								5.0
Upper Wabash	Huntington Co.	3.7	7.0				22.2			32.9
Total:		188.2	7.0	24.9	0.0	127.4	1,290.2	0.0	1.0	1,638.7

Native Grasses (CP-2)	11.48%
Filter Strip (CP-21)	0.00%
Hardwood Tree Planting (CP-3A)	0.00%
Riparian Buffer (CP-22)	7.77%
Bottomland Timber Establishment (CP-31)	78.73%
Wetland Restoration (CP-23)	0.00%
Wetland Restoration - non Floodplain (CP-23A)	0.06%

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RECOMMENDATION FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT

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ELECTED SUPERVISOR, VACANCY: IC 14-32-13

Sec. 13

(a) If a vacancy in the position of elected supervisor occurs during the district's operating year:

(1) the district supervisors shall, within thirty (30) days after the vacancy occurs, recommend to the board in writing one (1) or more individuals qualified to fill the position;

(2) at the first board meeting held after the board receives a recommendation under subdivision (1), the board shall act upon the recommendation and appoint an individual to temporarily fill the vacancy; and

(3) the board shall notify the supervisors of the appointment made by the board.

(b) The individual appointed to temporarily fill a vacancy under subsection (a) shall serve until the district's next annual meeting.

(c) At the annual meeting immediately following the appointment of an individual to temporarily fill a vacant elected supervisor's position, the position shall be filled through the regular election procedures set forth in sections 6 through 9 of this chapter.

("Board" as used in the state statute refers to the State Soil Conservation Board)

The Supervisors of the County Soil and Water Conservation District certify that (name) maintains a permanent residence within the district and is qualified by training and experience to perform the duties that are imposed on supervisors by law.

Address

City, State and Zip

IN

This temporary appointment is necessary because of:

Resignation of

YOU MUST SUBMIT THE RESIGNATION LETTER TO YOUR DISTRICT SUPPORT SPECIALIST AS WELL AS KEEP A COPY IN YOUR DISTRICT RECORDS.

Death of

No election held

We have advised him/her of the duties and responsibilities of the office of supervisor.

We have advised him/her about "Dual Office Holding" and provided a copy of the Attorney General's Dual Office Holding Guide.

DISTRICT SUPERVISORS (signatures)

Dave Caldwell (typed)

Date 9/13/2012

Keep a signed copy of this form in the District office. Do not send to your DSS.

IC 14-32-4-1

(b) To hold the position of elected supervisor, an individual:

(1) must be an occupier of a tract of land that is located within the district;

(2) must maintain the individual's permanent residence within the district; and

(3) must be qualified by training and experience to perform the duties that this article imposes on supervisors.

NAME

Dan Weiler

PHONE NUMBER

765-478-6339

DATE OF BIRTH

7/30/1953

ADDRESS

7123 West 900 North

CITY, STATE, ZIP

Connersville, IN 47331

EDUCATION

High School

Purdue: Degree in Ag

OCCUPATION OR TYPE OF BUSINESS

Farmer

Seed Advisor/Synqenta Seeds

LIST CONSERVATION AND OTHER LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

President of Rural Youth Organization for Fayette and Union Counties

LAND OWNERS OR OPERATORS ONLY

If applicable, list some of the soil and water conservation practices you have installed or performed

None

TEMPORARY APPOINTEE

Have you previously served as an SWCD supervisor?

Yes

What was the date of last service?

What was the reason for termination of last service?

How many years did you serve as a supervisor? # Years #Months

No

I currently hold a public service position/office

Yes

I have been informed about "Dual Office Holding" and have reviewed a copy of the Attorney General's Dual Office Holding Guide

Yes

No

No

By signing this document, if appointed as a supervisor by the State Soil Conservation Board, you agree to attend supervisors' monthly meetings regularly and carry out your responsibilities as a supervisor to the best of your ability.

APPOINTEE:

(typed)

Date

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RECOMMENDATION FOR VACANT APPOINTMENT POSITION

APPOINTED SUPERVISOR, VACANCY: IC 14-32-13

Sec. 13 (a) If a vacancy in the position of appointed supervisor occurs during a district's operating year:

(1) the district supervisors shall, within thirty (30) days after the vacancy occurs, recommend to the board in writing one (1) or more individuals qualified to fill the position,

(2) at the first board meeting held after the board received a recommendation under subdivision (1), the board shall act upon the recommendation, and

(3) the board shall notify the supervisor of the appointment made by the board.

(b) The individual appointed to fill a vacant appointed supervisor position under subsection (a) shall serve the unexpired term of the individual's predecessor.

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The Supervisors of the County Soil and Water Conservation District certify that:

Name

Address

City

State

Zip

This temporary appointment is necessary because of:

Resignation of

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(If supervisor has resigned, you **MUST** attach copy of resignation letter. See SharePoint Tutorial for instructions on attaching a file.)

Death of

We have advised him/her of the duties and responsibilities of the office of Supervisor. We have advised him/her about "Dual Office Holding" and provided a copy of the Attorney General's Dual Office Holding Guide.

DISTRICT SUPERVISORS SIGNATURES

Chairman

Date

(typed)

QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE

IC 14-32-4-1

(c) To hold the position of appointed supervisor, and individual:

- (1) must be of voting age*
- (2) must maintain the individual's permanent residence within the district, and*
- (3) must be qualified by training and experience to perform the duties that this article imposes on supervisors.*

Name

Phone Number

Date of Birth

Address

City

State Zip Code

Education

2002 graduate of Evansville Central High School

2006 graduate of the University of Evansville with a BS in Business/concentration in Finance

2009 Masters degree from Indiana University in Ecology

Occupation or Type of Business

2009 thru 2011 assistant wildlife manager at two national wildlife refuges in Minnesota
Currently the assistant manager at the Patoka River National Wildlife Refuge in Oadland City, IN

List Conservation and Other Leadership Experiences

Habitat restoration and wildlife management
Leading environmental education programs

Please check one of the following:

- New Appointment**
 Reappointment

I currently hold a public service position/office

- Yes**

If yes, I have been informed about the "Dual Office Holding" and have reviewed a copy of the Attorney General's Dual Office Holding Guide

- Yes**
 No

- No**

By signing this document, if appointed as a supervisor by the State Soil Conservation Board, you agree to attend supervisors' monthly meetings regularly and carry out your responsibilities as a supervisor to the best of your ability.

Date

Signature of Appointee

Please keep a copy of this on file at the SWCD office and notify your District Support Specialist.

STOP! If you haven't read the SWCD SharePoint Tutorial on how to submit forms, please do so before proceeding.

If you opened another District's Recommendation for Vacant Positions form by mistake, click on the Close button located in the menu bar at the top or bottom of this form. Then read the SWCD SharePoint Tutorial on how to submit new forms and update/save previously submitted forms.

If you are submitting the **Recommendation for Vacant Positions** form for the first time, click on the **Save As** button located in the menu bar at the top or bottom of this form. **Uncheck**

Overwrite Existing File. Enter the **name of your county followed by the date** in the File Name box. For example Allen County would Enter **Allen03.12.12**. Click **Save**. Click **Close**.

If you previously submitted the **Recommendation for Vacant Positions** form and re-opened the form to make some changes or additions, click on the **Save** button located in the menu bar at the top or bottom of this form. Click **Close**.

NEVER open another SWCD's form and modify it.

August 17, 2012

SWCD Board of Supervisors,

Effective immediately I will be resigning my position from the Board to concentrate my available time and resources on a family related matter that requires my attention. I would be pleased to continue my support for this board and its noble cause as an Associate member.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura M. Lamb". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Laura Lamb

NRCS State Conservationist Report
State Soil Conservation Board Meeting October 2012

WHIP Drought Funds

NRCS accepted and processed over \$22 million in requests for the special drought sign-up through the Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP). While we were not able to meet the demand for these funds, we will continue to assist affected landowners in any way possible. Indiana received over \$5 million in financial assistance, and we have asked for any additional funds as they become available. NRCS will continue to assist those that were not funded through the deferred application process, so that we can work to meet more landowner needs with regular program funds in FY13. Please continue to utilize and direct landowners to resources at the drought website at <http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/drought.html> .

HWFRCP Claims Process

USDA remains committed to resolving cases involving allegations of past discrimination by individuals, including Hispanic and women farmers and ranchers, as well as ensuring that every farmer and rancher is treated equally and fairly. USDA has established a voluntary claims process which will provide compensation to a final group of individuals who may have faced discrimination. The Hispanic and women farmers and ranchers claims process (HWFRCP) Claims Period will most likely open in mid-September. Claimants will have 180 days from the opening date of the Claims Period, to be announced by the USDA, within which to file a complete Claims Package. All potential claimants must request a Claims Package to participate in the claims process. A claims package can be requested by calling 1-888-508-4429 between 8:00 am and 8:00 pm Central Time, or by going to www.farmerclaims.gov and submitting their information online.

Conservation Security Program (CSP)

CSP recently hit a milestone, with a national enrollment of 50 million acres. This makes CSP the largest land-based conservation program in the country. CSP is a voluntary program that encourages agricultural producers to improve conservation systems by improving, maintaining, and managing existing conservation activities and undertaking additional conservation activities.

Farm Bill Outlook

It is unclear whether or not a new Farm Bill will be passed at this time.

Conservation Innovation Grants

Congratulations to the IASWCD and Kosciusko SWCD on being awarded CIG grants for the following work:

- Kosciusko County Soil and Water Conservation District, IN, \$184,347
 - Cover Crops: Planting the Way to Nitrogen Management at the Watershed Scale in a Combined Conservation Approach
- Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts, \$834,088
 - Conservation Cropping Systems for Soil Health and Productivity

Soil Survey Restructuring, new Indiana State Soil Scientist

The NRCS Soil Survey Regional Offices (also known as Major Land Resource Area (MLRA) offices or MO offices) are being restructured. These regional offices formerly fell under the NRCS State Offices, reporting to State Conservationists where they were located. Now the Soil Survey Regional Offices will fall under the national Soil Science and Resource Assessment Division. Because Indiana's MO Leader, Travis Neely, also served as the Indiana NRCS State Soil Scientist, Indiana NRCS has hired a State Soil Scientist on the State Conservationist's staff. Please congratulate Gary Struben, currently serving as the State Soil Scientist in Illinois, to this position beginning October 7.

Soil Health Update

Indiana NRCS and the Indiana Conservation Partnership are still hard at work promoting Soil Health. The National Soil Health Campaign will begin rolling out in October. As information is received we will be sharing it with you. The latest NRCS publications and information can be found on the Indiana NRCS Soil Health website, at <http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/>. The Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative (CCSI) website can be found through a link on the NRCS Soil Health web page, or at <http://www.in.gov/isda/ccsi/>, which contains a calendar listing Soil Health events and workshops. NRCS has established four Soil Health Teams, one per Area. Members include:

Southeast Area

Tim Schwipps
Clint Harrison
Ruth Hackman
Eamonn Ertel
Brian Ingmire/Mike Hughes
Robert Zupancic

Northwest Area

Ben Lambeck
Brandy Daggett
Kerry Smith
Jamie Shonkwiler
Mike Wigginton
Susannah Hinds
Andrew Brown

Northeast

Joe Updike
Adam Jones
Sam St. Clair
Derek Thompson
Scot Haley
Dan Davis

Southwest

Tom Held
Travis Gogel
Doris Scully
Don Donovan
Dan Luczynski

Indiana Conservation Partnership Training and Certification Program

Updates – October-2012

In September, 2010, the Indiana Conservation Partnership (ICP) Leaders entered into an agreement to facilitate training and certification for our ICP technical employees.

This agreement provides the framework to jointly carry out a **consistent training and certification program resulting in a highly skilled workforce**. The training and certification will be based on multiple levels or “tiers” of abilities, skills and knowledge. Any ICP technical employee trained and certified through this program will be recognized as competent by the eight agencies in the ICP agreement.

The ICP was successful in February of 2012 in securing a 205j grant from the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) to assist the ICP in conducting the training and certification program. The grant is through the Hoosier Heartland RC&D with administration through the Marion County SWCD. With funds from the 205j grant, Harold Thompson, a retired NRCS employee was hired to coordinate the training and certification program for a two year period.

In 2010 a training assessment survey was completed by ICP employees to identify needed training to obtain the necessary skills to do their jobs. Based on the requested training from this assessment, the following areas were identified as high priority:

Nutrient management
Urban Conservation

Cover crops and soil health
Revised Universal Soil Loss Equation 2

“Successes” are evident:

- NRCS/ Purdue conducted a formal soil health training course the week of June 25th. This training was attended by 30 employees representing five different partnership agencies.
- Purdue and NRCS provided advanced cover crop training at the South East Purdue Agricultural Center.
- An Ohio farm on September 13 & 14, 2012 was attended by Extension, SWCD, NRCS, and ISDA employees numbering approximately 25 participants.
- Several SWCD sponsored training opportunities have been listed on the training calendar maintained on the IASWCD web site which has resulted in increased attendance at these field days.
- NRCS has conducted RUSLE 2 training in the Southwest and Northeast Areas. All partnership employees who showed this training as needed on their training assessments were invited to attend. The other areas in the state will hold RUSLE 2 training in the near future.
- The Hoosier Chapter of SWCS is holding An Indiana Soil Health Symposium on November 16. The training needs inventory was used to plan the Symposium.
- Plans are in the making for nutrient management and urban conservation.
- A variety of certification models and programs are being solicited and will be evaluated in the coming months for use in Indiana.

Updates on the ICP Training and Certification Program can be found in the IASWCD “Conservation Update” and events can be found on the IASWCD “Conservation Calendar.” To receive the Update, email info@iaswcd.org. For more information, contact Harold Thompson, ICP Training and Certification Program Coordinator, at harold.thompson58@sbcglobal.net .