

# 2017 CLEAN WATER INDIANA COMPETITIVE GRANTS



## Grant Overview:

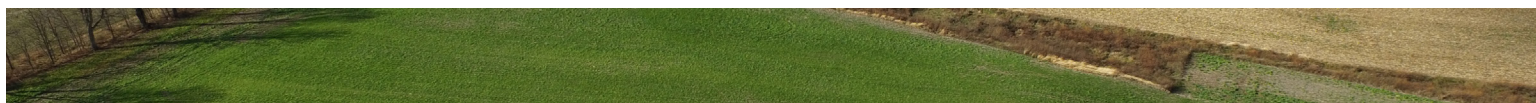
Lead District: Monroe

Collaborating District: Brown, Greene, Owen

Project Dates: 1/1/2017-12/31/2019

Project Name: Remove, Replant, and Restore

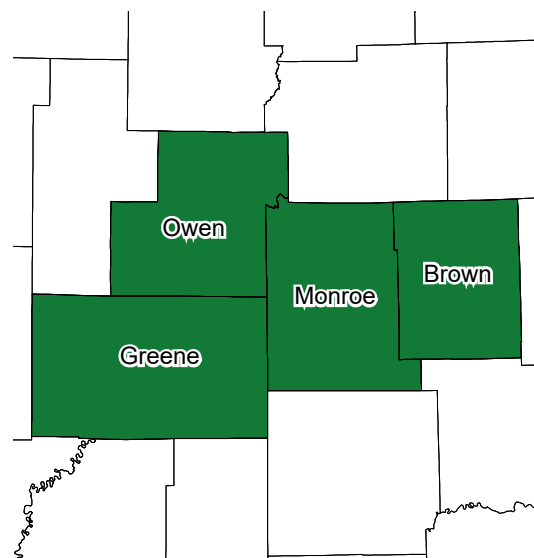
Project Amount: \$61,710



## Project Overview:

The Monroe, Brown, Owen, and Greene County SWCDs are collaborating to implement Remove, Replant, and Restore: a project designed to manage the threat non-native invasive plants pose to wildlife habitats, soil health, and water quality. The project takes a holistic approach to revitalizing landscapes in order to create long-lasting solutions to the degradation caused by invasive species throughout Indiana.

Remove, Replant, and Restore has three main objectives: (1) remove invasive plants that pose a serious threat to the biodiversity of Indiana's forested and riparian ecosystems, (2) replant and restore the site with appropriate native species that accomplish the goals and objectives of each landowner, and (3) offer a long-term solution by establishing and supporting existing Cooperative Weed Management groups in the four counties that will continue the effective control of invasive species by bringing together local citizens, landowners, and organizations.

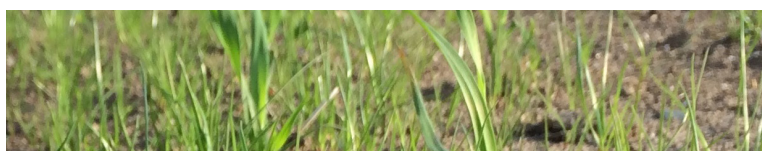


## Program Overview:

The Clean Water Indiana (CWI) Program (IC 14-32-8) was established to provide financial assistance to landowners and Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs). Through education, technical assistance, training, and cost sharing programs, the program supports the implementation of conservation practices which will reduce nonpoint sources of water pollution. CWI also provides matching funds for Indiana's Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) and the Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative (CCSI).

## Program Administration:

The CWI fund is administered by the Indiana State Department of Agriculture Division of Soil Conservation under the direction of the State Soil Conservation Board (SSCB). The fund is derived from a portion of cigarette tax funds. (IC 6-7-1-29.3) The cigarette tax fund is 4.22 percent of total cigarette tax revenue, and the CWI fund receives one sixth of this amount. The CWI Program is responsible for providing local matching funds as well as grants for sediment and nutrient reduction projects through Indiana's SWCDs.



For more information about CWI, please visit: [in.gov/isda/2379.htm](http://in.gov/isda/2379.htm).  
For more information about the SSCB, please visit: <http://in.gov/isda/2361.htm>.  
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