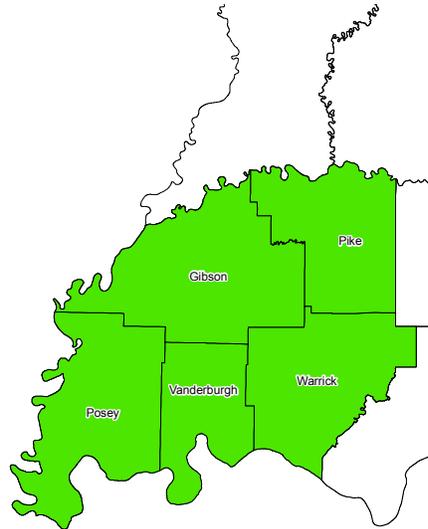




Clean Water Indiana 2016 Competitive Grants



The grant will promote an incentive payment for farmers to implement a pollinator habitat on prior cropland that is adjacent to waterways and/or filter strips. The grant will also have an urban use for landowners in urban areas to purchase native Indiana pollinator seed packets to install on their own land. The seed packets will also include milkweed seeds that are imperative for the survival of the Monarch Butterflies for generations to come. The pollinator habitat will help decrease the water runoff rate, reduce the soil erosion and slow the amount of nutrients lost as water flows to the Gulf of Mexico.



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).

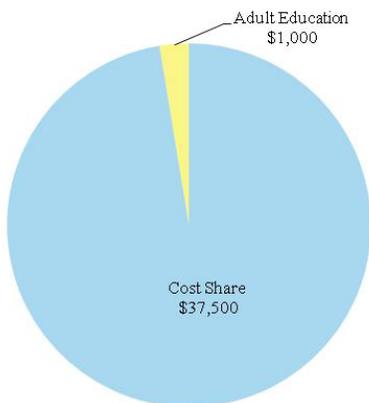
Through education, technical assistance, training, and cost sharing programs, the program supports the implementation of conservation practices which will reduce nonpoint sources of water pollution. CWI also provides matching funds for Indiana's Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) and the 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.

LEAD DISTRICT:
Vanderburgh
COLLABORATING DISTRICTS:
Gibson, Pike, Posey, Warrick
PROJECT NAME:
Native Pollinator Habitat Incentive Program
PROJECT DATES:
1/1/2016 - 12/31/2018
PROJECT AMOUNT:
\$38,500

Total Funds Awarded:



For more information about CWI, please visit: in.gov/isda/2379.htm.
Email questions or comments to cleanwaterindiana@isda.in.gov.
To find your local SWCD: please visit: in.gov/isda/2370.htm.

Key Partners:

- The Nature Conservancy
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- SWINPAWS
- Local Apiaries

