# **AGENDA**

# STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, December 12, 2012, 9:30 AM

The Nature Conservancy 620 E Ohio St

Indianapolis, Indiana

- I. 9:30 AM: Call to Order
- II. Approve Minutes of September and October 2012
- III. Clean Water Indiana
  - a. Budget Update-Jennifer Pinkston
  - b. CREP Report-Logan Garner
- IV. Soil and Water Conservation Districts
  - a. Election Approvals and Reminders-Jim Lake (See Attachments)
- V. SSCB Reports
  - a. SSCB Chairman's Report-Scott Ham
  - **b.** SSCB Attendance at Annual 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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Pre- Expansion (from spreadsheets)

	Total:	Upper Wabash	Upper East Fork White	Middle Wabash Vermillion	Middle Wabash Deer	Middle Wabash Busseron	Lower White	Lower Wabash	Lower East Fork	Highland-Pigeon	Tippecanoe River	Upper White River			Watershed			Post-Expansion		Total:	Highland-Pigeon Watershed	Tippecanoe River Watershed	Upper White River Watershed			Watershed	
		Huntington Co.	Decatur Co.	Parke Co.	Howard Co.	Sullivan Co.	Daviess Co.	Gibson Co.	Orange Co.	Gibson Co.	Fulton Co.	Hamilton Co.			Administrators	SWCD CREP					Gibson Co.	Fulton Co.	Hamilton Co.			Administrators	
4/16/2012	94	6	5	ω	2	14	6	2	10	1	ω	42			Contracts	Completed				856	107	519	230			Completed	
	\$488,239.00	\$20,530.00	\$25,080.00	\$33,760.00	\$8,480.00	\$206,880.00	\$9,670.00	\$2,504.00	\$91,590.00	\$1,800.00	\$8,560.00	\$79,385.00			Landowner)	Finds (Paid to	Completed State			\$1,454,397.0	\$104,097.0	\$755,365.0	\$594,935.0			Funds (Paid to Landowner)	Completed State
	\$48,823.50	\$2,053.00	\$2,508.00	\$3,376.00	\$848.00	\$20,688.00	\$967.00	\$250.00	\$9,159.00	\$180.00	\$856.00	\$7,938.50			expansion)	Fees (since	SWCD				\$0.0	\$0.0	\$0.0			Administrative Fees	SWCD
	182.2	3.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	52.4	10.7	0.0	24.3	0.0	74.8	16.3	Acres	CP-2	Native Grasses					4.1	2.5	0.0	1.6	Acres	CP-2	Native Grasses	
	6.0	6.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Acres	CP-4D	Native Grasses   Wildlife Habitat	Permanent				0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Acres		Permanent Wildlife Habitat	
	90.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	24.3	66.1	Acres	CP-21	Filter Strip					3,544.3	214.8	2,916.8	412.7	Acres	CP-21	Filter Strip	
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	176.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.0	0.0	0.0	22.6	0.0	0.0	151.8	Acres	CP-22	Riparian Buffer					140.3	16.0	7.8	116.5	Acres	CP-22	Riparian Buffer	
	1,175.7	48.9	29.3	84.4	21.2	517.2	21.5	6.3	307.7	4.5	21.4	113.3	Acres	CP-31	Establishment	Timber	Potto Blanch			1,058.0	109.3	20.4	928.3	Acres	CP-31	Timber Establishment	Bottomland
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}	13.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	12.1	Acres	CP-23A	floodplain)	Kestoration	Wetland			944.4	0.0	924.0	20.4	Acres	CP-23A	(non floodplain)	Wetland Restoration
	1,677.2	58.6	62.7	84.4	21.2	571.6	32.2	6.3	354.6	4.5	121.5	359.6	Acres		Total					5,824.6	353.4	3,990.7	1,480.5	Acres		Total	

Upper White River Watershed
Tippecanoe River Watershed
Highland-Pigeon Watershed
Lower East Fork
Lower Wabash
Lower White

Hamilton Co.
Fulton Co.
Gibson Co.
Orange Co.
Gibson Co.
Daviess Co.
Sullivan Co.
Howard Co.

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\$180.00 \$9,159.00 \$250.00 \$257.00 \$20,688.00

CP-2 Acres 17.9 74.8 2.5 24.3 0.0 10.7 52.4 0.0

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272 522

Viiddle Wabash Deer Viiddle Wabash Vermillion /iddle Wabash Busseron Total Pre and Post

Watershed

Administrators SWCD CREP

Completed Contracts

Completed State Funds (Paid to

SWCD Administrative Fees (1)

Native Grasses

wildlife Habitat
CP-4D Permanent

Hardwood Tree

Riparian Buffer

Establishment CP-31

Restoration CP-23 Wetland

> floodplain) Restoration

Total

Bottomland

Wetland (non

Filter Strip CP-21 Acres 478.8 2,941.1

Planting CP-3A Acres 1.0

Acres 268.3 7.8

Acres 1,041.6 41.8

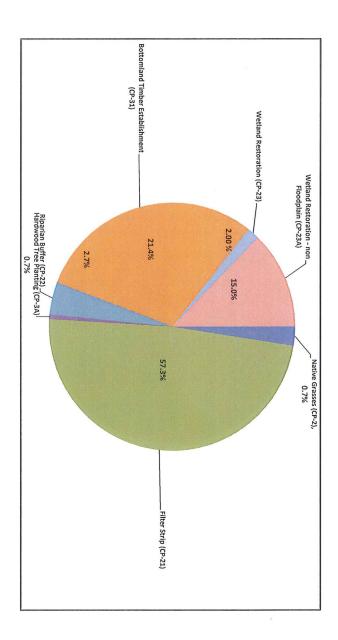
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CP-23A Acres 32.5 925.0

Landowner)

Watershed  Upper White River Watershed  Tippecanoe River Watershed Highland-Pigeon Watershed Highland-Pigeon Watershed Middle-Wabash-Busseron Middle Wabash Vermillion Lower East Fork White Lower White Middle Wabash Vermillion	Administrators  Hamilton Co. Fulton Co. Gibson Co. Sullivan Co. Parke Co, Orange Co. Gibson Co. Daviess Co. Howard Co. Parke Co, Parke Co, Parke Co, Daviess Co.	Native Grasses CP-2 Acres	Administrators Native Grasses: Wildlife Habitat  CP-2 CP-4D Acres Acres Acres Acres  lamilton Co.  ulton Co.  ulton Co.  ultilison Co.  ultilison Co.  solutilison Co.  lamilton Co.  la	Filter Strip CP-21 Acres	Hardwood Tree Planting CP-3A Acres	Riparian Buffer CP-22 Acres 10.0 4.0 21.0 3.0	Establishment CP-31 Acres 10.0 355.0 51 20.0 22.0 57.0	72	Wetland Restoration CP-23 Acres
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Tippecanoe River Watershed Highland-Pigeon Watershed	Fulton Co.						355.0		
Middle-Wabash-Busseron	Sullivan Co.				Particular Security				
Middle Wabash Vermillion	Parke Co,						51		
Lower East Fork White	Orange Co.					4.0	20.0		
Lower Wabash	Gibson Co.					21.0			
Lower White	Daviess Co.								
Middle Wabash Deer	Howard Co.		Microsoft Contract News Charles			3.0	22.0	-	SHIPLING WITH THE SHIPLING
Middle Wabash Vermillion	Parke Co,						51.0		
Upper East Fork White	Decatur Co.	5.0			33.0		57.0		
	Huntington Co.		11.0				220.0		
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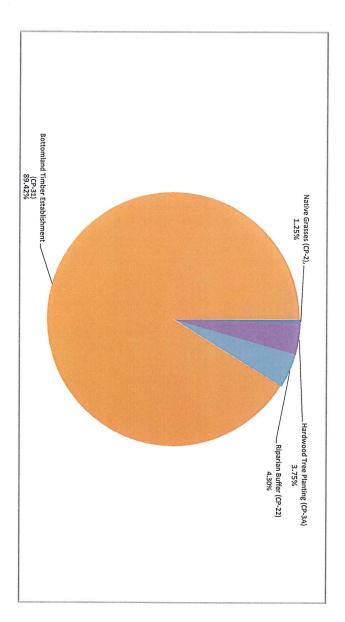
FUTURE/IN PROGRESS NOT DONE FOR APRIL 2012 REPORT)



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

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(CP-22A)	Floodplain	non	Restoration -	Wetland	(CP-23)	Restoration	Wetland	t (CP-31)	Establishmen	Timber	Bottomland	22)	Buffer (CP-	Riparian	(CP-3A)	ree Planting	Hardwood	(CP-21)	Filter Strip	4D)	Habitat (CP-	Wildlife	Permanent	2)	Grasses (CP-	Native
17 76%					1.62%			29.78%				4.22%			0.60%			48.45%		0.01%				2.48%		

hange Since Octobet 2011	Yevious Reporting Period October 2011)	urrent Reporting Period ending on April 16, 2012)	Ipper Wabash Huntir	Upper East Fork White Decate
	Total	Total	untington Co.	Decatur Co.
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6,0	0.0	6.0	6.0	0.0
90.0	3,544.7	3,634.7	0.0	0.0
0.0	45.2	45.2	0.0	33.4
165.8	150.9	316.7	0.0	0.0
922.0	1,311.7	2,233.7	48.9	29.3
0.0	121.7	121.7	0.0	0.0
17.5	940.0	957.5	0.0	0.0
1,385	6,118	7,501	58.	62.



98.74%

County	Appointment	Note	Į.
Adams	Alex Steiner	Lawrence	Kyle Mason
Allen	Thomas Miller	Madison	Mike Lawyer
Bartholomew	Dennis Brooks	Marion	Brian N Neilson
Benton	Dave Wettschurack	Marshall	N/A
Blackford	na	Martin	Kevin Martin Qualkent
Boone	Gerald Shelburne	Miami	Jerry Miller
Brown	Can't find someone to run.	Monroe	Rick Routon
Carroll	N/A	Montgomery	Marc P Roberts
Cass	N/A	Morgan	F
Clark	N/A	Newton	Larry Strole
Clay	Marshall Nuckolls	Noble	Greg Flory
Clinton	Charles K. Calvert	Ohio	na
Crawford	Garry Brown	Orange	Danny Orr
Daviess	N/A	Owen	Not submitted on time
Dearborn	Brad Dawson	Park	Bob Hale
Decatur	Roger Wenning	Perry	Brad Harth
Dekalb	Judy Strock	Pike	N/A
Delaware	Did not submit	Porter	N/a
Dubois	Glenn Menke	Posey	Matthew Mcfadin
Elkhart	N/A	Pulaski	N/A
Fayette	Dave Caldwell	Putnam	N/A
Floyd	Neal Renn	Randolph	na
Fountain	N/A	Ripley	ра
Franklin	Mike Schwab	Rush	John Meyer
Fulton	Mike Norman	St. Josephy	Arlene Schuchman
Gibson	Dave Greubel	Scott	Pat Larr
Grant	na	Shelby	na
Greene		Spencer	Brian Rahaman
Hamilton	N/A	Starke	Brad Lawrence
Hancock	Mike Conner	Steuben	N/A
Harrison	N/A	Sullivan	Mike Bell
Hendricks	Not submitted on time	Switzerland	Ken Briggs
Henry	Jim Wenning	Tippecanoe	N/A
Howard	Michelle Gilbert	Tipton	Thomas E. Ripberger
Huntington	Kyle Lund	Union	<sub>t</sub> na
Jackson	Charlie Fox	Vanderburgh	N/A
Jasper	Lana Zimmer	Vermillion	Josh Bishop
Jay	na	Vigo	Denny Bell
Jefferson	N/A	Wabash	Robert Hettmansperge
Jennings	Dan Megel	Warren	'Tim Davis
Johnson	Kevin Thompson	Warrick	Jeffrey Baker
Knox	Curt Coffman	Washington	James "Jim" Brown
Kosciusko	Jon Roberts	Wayne	Scott McCarty
Lagrange	N/A	Wells	Chad Fiechter
Lake	Brian Wietbrock	White	N/A
LaPorte	Myrna L Harder	Whitley	N/A

# Accountability & Technology Report State Soil Conservation Board Meeting – December 12, 2012

# New Hires - 319 Tippecanoe and 319 Upper Wabash

**Debra Jimison** – Debra will fill the 319 Tippecanoe Watershed position. She is a graduate of Purdue University with a BS degree in Environmental Science. She brings with her a wealth of experience in surveying, design and construction. She owned her own business in Elkhart, Soil and Water Investigation, where she conducted environmental site assessments and wetland investigations. Before that, she was an environmental scientist for Progressive Engineering in Goshen. Debra will be house in the Winamac office.

*Nick Alles* – Nick replaces Nate Houk in the 319 Upper Wabash. Nate moved to the WLEB position located in Adams County. Nick is recent graduate from St. Francis University with a BS degree in Environmental Science. He has survey and construction experience and a good knowledge of agricultural conservation practices. Nick will be housed in Huntington office.

# **Region 5 Model**

Earlier this year, IDEM personnel trained Division field staff how to utilize the Region 5 Model to capture nutrient load reductions. This past month, Resource Specialists finished calculating the nitrogen, phosphorus and sediment reductions for all of their completed practices (2010–2012) and entering their reductions into SharePoint.

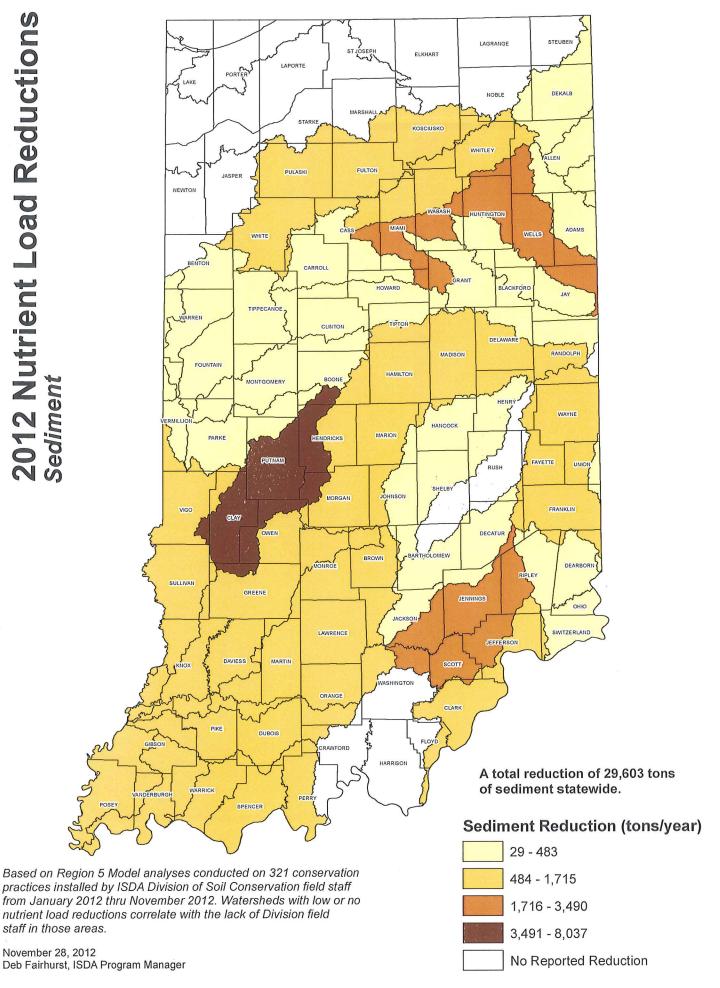
This past month I created nutrient load reduction maps based from the Region 5 Model analyses. The maps feature the nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment losses for each HUC 8 watershed in Indiana. I've provided the maps to Jennifer Boyle, IASWCD Executive Director, who will use them to demonstrate the Division's impact on water quality during the upcoming legislative session. It is hoped these maps will assist Jennifer and the IASWCD Legislative Committee in their endeavors to secure additional Clean Water Indiana and Division of Soil Conservation funding.

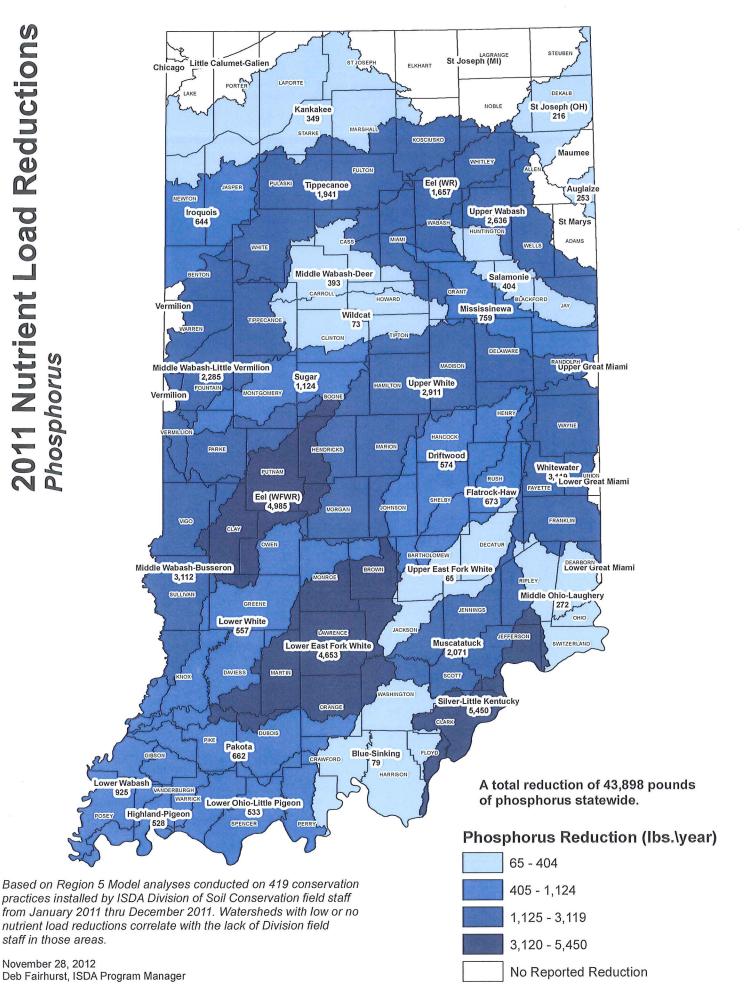
### SharePoint 2010

We have officially migrated to SharePoint 2010. In preparation, I provided over 250 users with a new tutorial featuring the new "ribbon" look and feel of the updated software. Currently, everything is running smoothly.

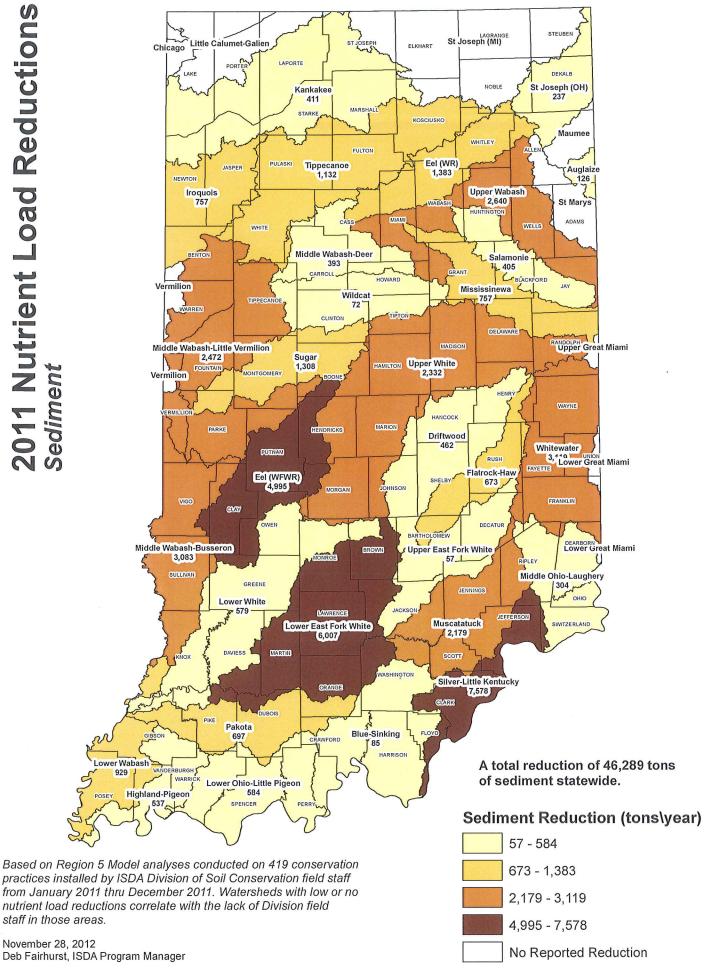
#### St Joseph (MI) Little Calumet-Galien Chicago DEKALB LAKE St Joseph (OH) Kankakee NOBLE MARSHALL STARKE KOSCIUSKO Maumee WHITLEY 186 FULTON Eel (WR) Tippecanoe 1,543 PULASKI Auglaize 1,347 155 NEWTON | Iroquois Upper Wabash (3,518) WABASH St Marys MIAMI 58 WHITE Middle Wabash-Deer 16\_172 C BLA Mississinewa 4 Vermilion Wildcat 167 5 WARREN TIPPECANO 459 TIPTON CLINTON RANDOLPH Great Miami Middle Wabash-Little Vermilion Sugar [278] 147 HAMILTON Upper White 1,858 Vermilion 167 2 WAYNE MARION HENDRICKS PARKE Driftwood 99 Whitewater PUTNAM 899 Lower Great Miami Eel (WFWR) 9,816 MORGAN JOHNSON FRANKLIN VIGO OWEN Upper East Fork White Middle Wabash-Busseron BROWN Lower Great Miami MONROE 1,426 126 L Middle Ohio-Laughery SULLIVAN GREENE **JENNINGS** OHIO Lower White 1,702 LAWRENCE JEFFERSON Muscatatuck Lower East Fork White 1,895 MARTIN DAVIESS SCOTT NASHINGTON Silver-Little Kentucky ORANGE 775 CLARK Pakota 792 Blue-Sinking GIBSON CRAWFORD A total reduction of 32,320 pounds Lower Wabash of phosphorus statewide. Lower Ohio-Little Pigeon 958 Highland-Pigeon 919 Phosphorus Reduction (lbs.\year) 58 - 510 Based on Region 5 Model analyses conducted on 321 conservation 775 - 1,702 practices installed by ISDA Division of Soil Conservation field staff from January 2012 thru November 2012. Watersheds with low or no 1,858 - 3,518 nutrient load reductions correlate with the lack of Division field staff in those areas. 9,816 No Reported Reduction

November 28, 2012 Deb Fairhurst, ISDA Program Manager





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# NRCS State Conservationist Report State Soil Conservation Board Meeting December 2012

# **Programs Update**

As we await a new Farmbill, field offices are still servicing existing contracts, doing conservation planning, and accepting applications for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP), Wildlife Habitat Incentives Program (WHIP) and Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP). Due to the expiration of the Farm Bill, NRCS cannot currently accept applications for the Wetland Reserve Program (WRP), Grasslands Reserve Program (GRP), Health Forests Reserve Program (HFRP) and Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), although we are servicing existing contracts signed in prior years.

# Soil Health Update

The National Soil Health marketing campaign started 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 <a href="http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/">http://www.in.nrcs.usda.gov/</a>. The Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative (CCSI) website can be found through a link on the NRCS Soil Health web page, or at <a href="http://www.in.gov/isda/ccsi/">http://www.in.gov/isda/ccsi/</a>, which contains a calendar listing Soil Health events and workshops.

# **Security Awareness Training**

Partner employees utilizing CCE machines must have Security Awareness Training completed by the end of January in AgLearn.

# **IASWCD Annual Conference**

Due to budget and travel constraints, NRCS field staff will not be attending the IASWCD Annual Conference this year. NRCS State Leadership staff will be attending and sharing information with the District Conservationists. NRCS encourages the Districts to attend and also share information with local NRCS staff. NRCS plans to resume District Conservationist attendance with the 2014 Annual Conference.

## **NRCS National Website**

NRCS launched its newly redesigned national website on November 1 ( <a href="www.nrcs.usda.gov">www.nrcs.usda.gov</a>), which now looks very similar to the USDA website ( <a href="www.usda.gov">www.usda.gov</a>). State websites will be integrating into this new design over the next several months. With this new design, the NRCS website has more capabilities, including:

- Homepage Features: Larger photos and five scrolling features to highlight important programs and accomplishments.
- Popular Topics: A list of the five most popular topics visited is included to the right of our scrolling features.
- Events & Deadlines: A list of news and upcoming program deadlines and events.
- A-Z index: This new feature at the top right will help users find content more easily.
- Improved navigation & layout: The navigation and hyperlinks are condensed and now only appear on the left side of most pages.
- Social media: We've made it easier to follow NRCS social media through the social media icons on each
  webpage (<u>Twitter</u>, <u>YouTube</u>, USDA <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Flickr</u> and our <u>blog</u>). Also, visitors can sign up for
  automated email updates through <u>GovDelivery</u> (red envelope icon) for topics of most interest, such as
  news releases, soils information, programs updates, etc.