

**CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM REPORT**

**November 6, 2009**

<b>Watersheds</b>	<b>Contracts</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>Acres/Contract</b>	<b>Average Dollars/Acre</b>	<b>Obligated State Funds</b>	<b>Estimated Federal Leverage</b>
Tippecanoe River	488	3847.1	7.9	\$195.65	\$752,704.00	\$11,218,143.60
Upper White River	234	1550.7	6.6	\$402.18	\$623,660.00	\$4,521,841.20
Pigeon/Highland Rivers	122	433.96	3.6	\$213.69	\$92,734.00	\$1,265,427.36
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>844</b>	<b>5831.76</b>	<b>6.9</b>	<b>\$251.91</b>	<b>\$1,469,098.00</b>	<b>\$17,005,412.16</b>

Total State funds paid = \$843,976.00

**September 1, 2009**

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Tippecanoe River	451	3528.1	7.8	\$193.07	\$681,175.00	\$10,287,939.60
Upper White River	219	1436.9	6.6	\$430.40	\$618,445.00	\$4,190,000.40
Pigeon/Highland Rivers	120	430.86	3.6	\$214.81	\$92,554.00	\$1,256,387.76
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>790</b>	<b>5395.86</b>	<b>6.8</b>	<b>\$258.01</b>	<b>\$1,392,174.00</b>	<b>\$15,734,327.76</b>



Clean Water Indiana Report  
November 2009

- 2006 CWI

	Awarded	Paid to Districts	Balance	Comments
Clean Water Indiana (CWI)	\$609,257.00	\$528,877.00	\$75,975.00	Recommitted \$4,4405.00. 5 Districts still have a balance.
District Training (DT)	\$69,000.00	\$52,688.41	\$16,311.59	Swept balance to start 2008 CWI funds. Most went to flood relief.
Annual Financial Report (AFR)		\$907,400.00		

- 2007 CWI

	Awarded	Paid to Districts	Balance	Comments
CWI	\$533,662.50	\$497,985.00	\$29,693.06	Recommitted \$5,984.08. 6 Districts still have a balance.
DT		\$96,670.73		Swept balance to start 2008 CWI funds. Most went to flood relief.
AFR	\$920,000.00	\$920,000.00	\$0.00	Completed contract process

- 2008 CWI

	Awarded	Paid to Districts	Balance	Comments
Conservation Marketing Incentive Grant (CMIG)	\$164,000.00	\$162,800.00	\$1,200.00	5 reallocated to flood relief. No report on utilization. 7 Districts still have a balance.
Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Grant (SNRG)	\$210,500.00	\$206,850.00	\$3,650.00	8 Districts still have a balance and 5 have been extended.
DT	\$135,000.00	\$116,413.01	\$18,586.99	47 Districts received maximum of \$1500. 30 Districts received some part of \$1500. 11 Districts did not submit repayment. 2 Districts did not request DT.
AFR	\$920,000.00	\$920,000.00	\$0.00	Completed contract process

- 2009 CWI

	Awarded	Paid to Districts	Balance	Comments
SNRG	\$284,877.00	\$272,643.00	\$12,244.00	4 Districts have completed contract process
AFR	\$920,000.00	\$920,000.00	\$0.00	Completed contract process
May-June DT				2 Districts have submitted repayment for a total of \$659.24

**RECOMMENDATION FOR SUPERVISOR APPOINTMENT**

**APPOINTMENT OF SUPERVISORS: IC 14 – 32 – 4**

**Sec. 10. (a) The term of an appointed supervisor is three (3) years.**

**(b) Before the term of an appointed supervisor expires, the supervisor's position shall be filled as follows:**

**(1) Not later than November 1, the district supervisors shall 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.**

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

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

Submit by **November 1** to: **Your District Support Specialist via e-mail**

**Please visit the following website to access contact information for your DSS:**

**<http://www.in.gov/isda/2352.htm>**

The Board of Supervisors of the BOONE County Soil and

Water Conservation District certify that:

NAME: Gerald Shelburne

ADDRESS: 6061 N. 1200 West

CITY: Thorntown STATE: IN ZIP: 46071

Is a resident of Boone County and recommend him/her for:

**REAPPOINTMENT**

He/she attended 11 monthly supervisors' meetings last year.

**NEW APPOINTMENT**

This appointment is necessary because of

expiration of term , resignation (enclose)

or 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:**

**Kathy Clawson, Chairman**

**Allen Mohler, Vice Chair**

**David Herr**

**DATE: 10/26/2009**

**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: (    )    -            DATE OF BIRTH:

ADDRESS:

CITY:            STATE:            ZIP:

EDUCATION:

OCCUPATION OR TYPE OF BUSINESS:

LIST CONSERVATION AND OTHER LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES:

**Please check one of the following:**

**NEW APPOINTMENT**

**REAPPOINTMENT**

I currently hold a public service position/office Yes No (If 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

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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 (M/d/yyyy):**

**Signature of appointee** \_\_\_\_\_

**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 receives a recommendation under subdivision(1), the board shall act upon the recommendation; and*
- (3) the board shall notify the supervisors 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.*

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

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

Name: Alice Bogemann 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 5587 E 400 S

CITY: Greenfield STATE: IN ZIP: 46140

This temporary appointment is necessary because of:

- Resignation (enclose) of Tom Nigh or
- 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)

Ray Helms, Chairman

Date Signed (M/d/yyyy): 10/29/2009

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**QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

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

NAME: Alice Bogemann      PHONE: (317) 498-0155

DATE OF BIRTH (M/d/yyyy): 1/18/1944

ADDRESS: 5587 E 400 S

CITY: Greenfield STATE: IN ZIP: 46140

EDUCATION: BS

OCCUPATION OR TYPE OF BUSINESS: Retired - Phone Company

LIST CONSERVATION AND OTHER LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES: SWCD Associate Supervisor;  
WHIP Participant; Sugar Creek Watershed Steering Committee Member

**Please check one of the following:**

**NEW APPOINTMENT**

**REAPPOINTMENT**

I currently hold a public service position/office  Yes  No (If 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

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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 (M/d/yyyy) : 10/29/2009

Signature of appointee: Alice Bogemann



## Soil and Water Conservation District

*Protection and Preservation of our Natural Resources*

1101 W. Main St. Ste. N – Greenfield, Indiana 46140

Phone: (317) 462-2283 Ext. 3 Fax: (317) 462-0769

*Hancock County*

[www.hancockswcd.org](http://www.hancockswcd.org)

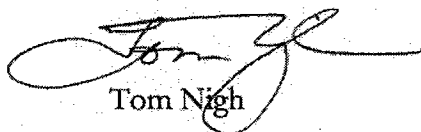
4-16-09

Dear Indiana State Soil and Water Conservation Board,

I will be resigning from my position as Supervisor for the Hancock County Soil and Water Conservation Board as of April 30, 2009.

I will be staying on as an Associate Supervisor.

Thank you,



Tom Nigh

### Hancock County Soil and Water Conservation District

#### Supervisors

Tom Nigh, Chair  
Burl Carmichael, Vice-Chair  
Ray Helms, Treasurer  
Steve Lewis  
Junior Burton

#### Associate Supervisors

Jim Cherry  
Alice Bogemann  
John Moran  
Tom Roney  
Todd Stephenson

**RECOMMENDATION FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT**

**ELECTED SUPERVISOR; VACANCY: IC 14-32-13**

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- (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;*
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- (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 procedure 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 Henry County Soil and Water Conservation District certify that (Name) Matthew R Chapman 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: 2068 W County Road 850 N

CITY, STATE AND ZIP: Springport, IN 47386

This temporary appointment is necessary because of:

- Resignation (enclose) of Randy Schelle or
- Death of            or
- 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)

**Nancy Fischer**

Date Signed (M/d/yyyy): 7/27/2009

<p>Submit to: <b>Your District Support Specialist</b></p>
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**QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

**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:***

***(A) more than ten (10) acres in area; and***

***(B) 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: **Matthew R Chapman**      PHONE: **(765) 717-3539**      DATE OF BIRTH (M/D/YYYY): **1/11/1984**

ADDRESS: **2068 W County Road 850 N**

CITY: **Springport** STATE: **IN** ZIP: **47386**

EDUCATION: **Graduate of Purdue University - Ag Econ**

OCCUPATION OR TYPE OF BUSINESS: **Grain farmer, custom hay baling and contract grow hogs for Maxwell Farms**

LIST CONSERVATION AND OTHER LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES: **Leader of the Henry County Farm Bureau Young Farmer Program, Member of the Big Blue Watershed Project Steering Committee**

**LAND OWNERS OR OPERATORS ONLY**

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

**Grassed Waterways, Manure handling best management practices**

**TEMPORARY APPOINTEE**

Have you previously served as an SWCD supervisor? Yes  No

If YES, answer the following two questions:

1. What was the date of last service? (M/d/yyyy):
2. What was the reason for termination of last service?
2. How many years did you serve as a supervisor?

I currently hold a public service position/office  Yes  No (If 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

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Name of appointee: **Matthew R Chapman**

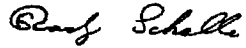
Date (M/d/yyyy): **7/27/2009**

June 3, 2009

Henry County SWCD,

I have recently moved to Rush County and have sold my property in Henry County. Therefore I will have to resign from my membership with the Henry County SWCD. Thank you for allowing me to serve on the Henry County SWCD, it has been interesting, informative and enjoyable to work with you good folks.

Sincerely,



Randy Schelle

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**RECOMMENDATION FOR TEMPORARY APPOINTMENT**

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**(“Board” as used in the state statute refers to the State Soil Conservation Board)**

The Supervisors of the Martin County Soil and Water Conservation District certify that (Name) Brenda E. Roush 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: 14744 N. St. Rd. 450

CITY, STATE AND ZIP: Shoals, IN 47581

This temporary appointment is necessary because of:

- Resignation (enclose) of Jim Williams or
- Death of            or
- 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)

**Gene Sherfick, Chair.**

Date Signed (M/d/yyyy): 10/19/2009

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**QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

**IC 14-32-4-1**

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

NAME: **Brenda E. Roush**    PHONE: **(812) 388-6305**    DATE OF BIRTH (M/D/YYYY): **12/26/1970**

ADDRESS: **14744 N. St. Rd. 450**

CITY: **Shoals**    STATE: **IN**    ZIP: **47581**

EDUCATION: **BS Chem./Classes in Hydrology & Ground Water Hydrology**

OCCUPATION OR TYPE OF BUSINESS: **Environmental Services**

LIST CONSERVATION AND OTHER LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES: **Instructed on Water Quality. Have implemented CoverCrop, Rip Rap Pond, Tree Planting.**

**LAND OWNERS OR OPERATORS ONLY**

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

**CoverCrop, Rip Rap Pond, Tree Planting.**

**TEMPORARY APPOINTEE**

Have you previously served as an SWCD supervisor?    Yes     No

If YES, answer the following two questions:

1. What was the date of last service? (M/d/yyyy):
2. What was the reason for termination of last service?
2. How many years did you serve as a supervisor?

I currently hold a public service position/office  Yes  No    (If 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

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Name of appointee: **Brenda E. Roush**

Date (M/d/yyyy): **10/21/2009**

To the Chairman and Board of the Martin Co.SWCD. With regret I, James Williams, am stepping down from my position on the swcd board, for personal reasons. My resignation is affective Oct.20, 2009. And to the entire Martin Co.SWCD board and staff keep up the good work. Thank You, Jim Williams

*James R Williams*



DAVISS COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
2526 EAST NATIONAL HIGHWAY  
WASHINGTON, IN 47501

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Phone: (812) 254-4780 Ext. #3  
Toll Free: (888) 287-3276  
Fax: (812) 254-0057

November 3, 2009

State Soil Conservation Board  
6013 Lakeside Boulevard  
Indianapolis, IN 46278

Dear State Soil Conservation Board Members

On behalf of the Daviess Co Soil & Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors, we are submitting a request to wavier the 10 acre rule on Rob Sullender. We have selected Rob to run in our 2010 election of supervisors. Rob has served as a DNR Property Manager for the past 20 years for Glendale Fish and Wildlife Area. He has been employed by the State of Indiana for the past 25 years serving as a laborer, naturalist and assistant property manager. He has lived in Daviess County for 20 years so he is very familiar with the Daviess County Area.

Rob has much experience dealing with soil and water concerns through his years of managing over 8,000 acres of Glendale Lake properties. He has a good working relationship with many producers who farm on the state property. He has served as an SWCD associate supervisor since March of this year.

We feel Rob with his qualifications and interest in the natural resources of Daviess County would be a great asset to the Daviess Co Soil & Water Conservation District. We hope you will wave the need to own 10 acres in his case.

Sincerely,

Todd Allison  
Election Chairman  
Daviess Co Soil & Water Conservation District



**Knox County  
Soil & Water Conservation District  
2015 Hart St  
Vincennes, IN 47591**

Phone: 812-882-8210x3

Fax: 812-886-3748

10/15/09

**SWCD Board of  
Supervisors**

**Chairman**

Mike Brocksmith

**Vice Chair**

Ray McCormick

**Treasurer**

Rex Marchino

**Members**

Jim Utt

Jason Evans

**Associate Supervisors**

Ray Chattin

Steve Thais

Lisa Holzcher

**Staff**

**USDA/NRCS District  
Conservationist**

Tom Held

**District Technician**

Rex Decker

**Part Time Technician**

Harry Spires, Jr.

**Soil Conservationist**

Troy Hinkle

**District/Programs  
Administrator**

Shalyn Sargeant

Indiana State Department of Agriculture  
101 West Ohio St, Ste 1200  
Indianapolis 46204  
Attn :Kelly Gentry  
Indiana State Soil Conservation Board

**Members of the Board,**

The purpose of this letter is to formally request a waiver of the 10 acre rule regarding our upcoming supervisor election. Knox Co. will have two vacancies on our board, one elected and one appointed. We currently have three willing and well qualified candidates, two of whom are non landowners. Due to the fact that the landowner candidate is of such excellent quality, has an agricultural background, and is very well known in the agricultural community, our board feels it would be unfair to the other two candidates, to put either of them on the ballot against him. For that reason, we request that we be allowed to place both non landowning candidates on the ballot, thereby giving them a fair opportunity for election. Our board makeup following the election will be four landowners and one non landowner.

It is the consensus of the board, that once this matter is resolved, that the non landowner Supervisor will be transferred to the appointed position when reelection comes up, if they desire another term.

Ray Chattin, who serves on our election committee, will be present at the Nov. 10 meeting representing Knox Co. to address any concerns that Board members may have regarding this request.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mike Brocksmith  
Knox County SWCD Chairman

*All programs and services of the Knox County Soil and Water Conservation District are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis, without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status or handicap.*

**CONSERVATION**

**DEVELOPMENT**

**SELF-GOVERNMENT**

**NOMINEES FOR SUPERVISOR ELECTION**

**ELECTION OF SUPERVISORS: IC 14 – 32 – 4 – 10**

**Sec. 8. (a) The election committee appointed under section 7 of this chapter shall do the following:**

- (1) Select qualified individuals as prospective nominees to fill any vacancies that exist among the elected supervisors of the district.**
- (2) Contact and ascertain the willingness and ability of each individual to serve if elected.**
- (3) Submit the list of nominees with the qualifications for certification and printing of a ballot to the board by December 1.**
- (4) Place the names of the prospective nominees selected under subdivisions (1) and (2) in nomination at the meeting and provide an opportunity for additional nominations to be made from the floor.**
- (5) After nominations are closed, distribute a ballot to each land occupier present at the meeting.**
- (6) Collect and count the ballots after each land occupier present at the meeting has had an opportunity to vote.**
- (7) Report the results of the election to the chairman.**

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**IC 14 – 32 – 4 – 1**

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

**Submit by December 1 to: Your District Support Specialist via e-mail**

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[http://www.in.gov/isda/files/DSS\\_tempassignments.pdf](http://www.in.gov/isda/files/DSS_tempassignments.pdf)

**NOTE: DISTRICTS FAILING TO SUBMIT THE NOMINEES FOR SUPERVISOR ELECTION FORM BY DECEMBER 1, WILL BE INELIGIBLE BY LAW, TO HOLD AN ELECTION AT THEIR ANNUAL MEETING.**

**KNOX SWCD**

The Election Committee submits the following names to be placed in nomination for supervisor election at the 2010 annual meeting of the district.

(1) Name: **Hunter Pinnell** Telephone: **(812) 887- 0681**  
Address: **917 N 8<sup>th</sup> St.** Date of birth (M/d/yyyy): **6/26/70**  
City: **Vincennes** Zip: **47591**  
County of residence: **Knox** Number of acres owned or leased: **0**  
Education: **Double AS Vincennes Universtiy**  
Occupation or type of business: **Vincennes Water Utilities MS4 Coordinator**  
List conservation and other leadership experience: **City Engineer’s Office, MS4 program**

If applicable, list some of the soil and water conservation practices installed or performed: **N/A**

**Have the duties and responsibilities of an SWCD supervisor been explained to him/her? Yes  No**   
**If the nominee currently holds a public service position/office, has the Dual Office Holding Guide been reviewed with the nominee? N/A, but guide was provided. Yes  No**



(2) Name: <b>Curt Coffman</b>	Telephone: <b>(812) 881- 5867</b>
Address: <b>1218 N. Hemlock Dr.</b>	Date of birth (M/d/yyyy): <b>6/18/70</b>
City: <b>Vincennes</b>	Zip: <b>47591</b>
County of residence: <b>Knox</b>	Number of acres owned or leased: <b>1.8 acres (home)</b>
Education: <b>M.S. Fisheries Biology – Ball State University, B.S Wildlife Biology - Ball State University</b>	
Occupation or type of business: <b>Biology Professor</b>	
List conservation and other leadership experience: <b>18 yrs water quality monitoring working with USFS, DNR, SWCD, NRCS. 15 yrs teaching biology/ecology.</b>	
If applicable, list some of the soil and water conservation practices installed or performed: <b>Grass waterway on property, rain garden.</b>	
<b>Have the duties and responsibilities of an SWCD supervisor been explained to him/her? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></b>	
<b>If the nominee currently holds a public service position/office, has the Dual Office Holding Guide been reviewed with the nominee? N/A, but guide was provided. Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></b>	
(4) Name:	Telephone: ( ) -
Address:	Date of birth (M/d/yyyy):
City:	Zip:
County of residence:	Number of acres owned or leased:
Education:	
Occupation or type of business:	
List conservation and other leadership experience:	
If applicable, list some of the soil and water conservation practices installed or performed:	
<b>Have the duties and responsibilities of an SWCD supervisor been explained to him/her? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></b>	
<b>If the nominee currently holds a public service position/office, has the Dual Office Holding Guide been reviewed with the nominee? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></b>	

The Election Committee certifies that all nominees meet the above eligibility requirements for elected supervisor and have agreed to serve if elected.

Election Committee:

**Jason Evans** Chairman

**Mike Brocksmith** Member

**Ray Chattin** Member

Date (M/d/yyyy): **10/15/09**

October 6, 2009

State Soil Conservation Board  
c/o Indiana State Department of Agriculture  
101 W. Ohio St., Suite 1200  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

RE: CWI SNRG Grant #A377-8-CWI-013  
Scott, Clark & Jefferson County Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Project  
Clark County SWCD

Dear Board Members:

I am writing on behalf of the Clark County Board of Supervisors in regards to our 2008 Clean Water Indiana SNRG referenced above.

At the close of our grant cycle we had utilized only \$6,684 of the \$10,000 grant funds allocated to our project. We are under the understanding that the remaining \$3,316 is encumbered to us, and still may be put to use as long as we adhere to the original purpose of our grant. We therefore, would like to request a time extension for our grant so that we can continue the work set forth in it.

We would like to use the time to make contact with producers who participated in the kick-off workshop for our project in 2008, but did not complete the steps necessary to receive the cost share/incentives offered. We would also like to offer other producers the opportunity to participate in the project, thereby extending the effects of the nutrient management practices it promotes. We feel that an eight month extension, until June 30, 2010, would be adequate time to complete the project.

We would like to thank you in advance for your time in considering our request. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (812) 256-2330, ext. 3.

Sincerely,

Sam Hagest  
District Chairman



**APPLICATION FOR 2008 CWI GRANT:  
SEDIMENT AND NUTRIENT REDUCTION GRANT  
INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

This application **MUST** be typed and **MUST** be submitted electronically to Amy Eizinger at: [Aeizinger@isd.in.gov](mailto:Aeizinger@isd.in.gov)

<b>Grantee Name</b>	Clark County Soil & Water Conservation District
<b>Address</b>	9608 Highway 62
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	Charlestown, IN 47111

<b>Contact Name</b>	Melanie Davis
<b>Title</b>	Administrative Coordinator
<b>Address</b>	9608 Highway 62
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	Charlestown, IN 47111
<b>County</b>	Clark
<b>Telephone</b>	812-256-2300, ext. 3
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<b>Signature Authority (District Chairman)</b>	Sam Hagest
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<b>Project Title</b>	Scott, Clark & Jefferson County Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Project
<b>Sediment and/or Nutrient Reduction Practice</b>	Soil Testing

Describe your proposed project and how it will address sediment and nutrient management. Be sure to include key steps, benchmarks and desired outcomes. (500 words or less)

In a recent report from Purdue University, it was stated that agricultural producers are currently experiencing the best of times financially. Crop prices are up due to a demand for biofuels, and increased world economic growth is spurring added food demand. The downside, however, is that input costs are also increasing; seed and fertilizer costs are up 15 to 20 percent. Under conditions such as this, it would be logical for producers to want to invest their time and energy into their croplands, where quick returns and profits will likely result, and neglect their hay and pasture land.

The Clark County SWCD recognizes the detrimental effects of this scenario. Although, immediate effects on hay yields or pasture quality may not be noticed, land not properly managed can only become stressed over time; nutrient deficiencies and erosion will be the end result. For this reason, the SWCD feels that a project focused on improving these hay and pasture lands through nutrient management would be beneficial. It would also help us address concerns over soil quality and soil erosion set forth in our business plan.

Nutrient management, according to NRCS's practice standards, is applying the correct amount and form of plant nutrients for optimum yield and minimum impact on water quality. This is done by taking a soil test, determining nutrient needs, and applying nutrients at the proper time by the proper method. These steps reduce the potential for nutrients to go unused and wash into water supplies, and reduce sediment loss by producing healthy plant growth that will "hold" the soil. With this in mind, the SWCD proposes to provide producers with the tools necessary to practice nutrient management on their hay and pasture land.

The first step in this process is education. We will host a Pasture workshop in the summer of 2008. The advantages of soil testing and variable-rate fertilizer application will be emphasized. The workshop will be advertised through news releases, newsletters, and flyers placed in strategic locations.

To encourage producers to use the knowledge gained from the workshop, and carry through with having their soil tested, we will offer free soil testing through our partner, Crop Production Services. We will fund up to \$400 of soil testing (approximately 20 producers) in the month following the workshop. As a further incentive, we will pay a consultant fee of up to \$50 to help producers develop a nutrient management plan for their land. This consultation will insure that the producers have the pertinent information and resources they need to apply fertilizer according to soil test recommendations.

The final and most critical step of this process is the actual application of the fertilizer. For this, we will provide a \$250 incentive payment for completing the application according to recommendations. Producers can implement their plans either in the fall 2008 or spring 2009; payment will be distributed once they provide a receipt of application.

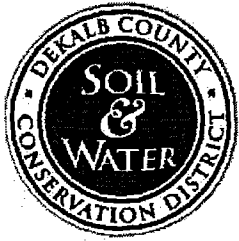
We feel this is a significant project that can benefit our county and the surrounding areas. Thus, we have partnered with the Scott and Jefferson County SWCDs, who will be duplicating our efforts in their respective counties. We will be promoting workshops and activities in each of the three counties as they occur, in our newsletters and in news releases. We will document our accomplishments in the same manner. We feel that by creating a strong multi-county partnership, Clean Water Indiana dollars will be maximized to their greatest extent,

and there will be a greater impact realized on our communities.

List specific partners who will assist with this project, as well as the amount of their contribution.			
Partner	Amount	Partner	Amount
Crop Production Services	4,000.00		
Scott County SWCD	500		
Jefferson County SWCD	500		
		<b>Total</b>	<b>5000</b>

<b>County</b>	Clark		
<b>CIT Region</b>	SE		
<b>14-digit HUC Code(s)</b>	05140101070070 05140101130010 05140101140060 05140101140090		
<b>Grant Amount Requested</b>	\$10,000.00		
<b>Budget</b>			
<b>Expense Item(s)</b>	<b>In-Kind Match</b>	<b>CWI Funds Requested</b>	
Personnel - supervisors & staff	1,935.00		
Fringe Benefits - staff wage x 25%	\$408.75		
Travel - 150 miles x county rate .405/mile	\$60.75		
<b>Equipment (Itemize Below)</b>			
<b>Supplies (Itemize Below)</b>			
Promotional materials (newsletters, flyers)	\$600.00		
<b>Other (Itemize Below)</b>			
Soil Testing		\$4,000	
Consultant fees		\$1,000	
Incentive Payments		\$5,000	

<b>Total CWI Funds Requested</b>	10000
<b>Total SWCD In-Kind Match</b>	3004.5
<b>Total Partner Funds Contributed (J:65)</b>	5000
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	18004.5



## DEKALB COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

942 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street · Auburn, Indiana · 46706-2031 · (260) 925-5620

*"Leadership in Soil and Water Conservation"*

November 5, 2009

State Soil Conservation Board  
Ms. Nola Gentry, Chairperson  
101 W. Ohio Street, Suite 1200  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Board Members,

My name is Allen Haynes, Natural Resource Coordinator for the DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District. I am writing to request an extension for our 2009 CWI Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Grant.

I am pleased to report that we have had a variety of options tried; eight of our participants have completed their cover crop plantings. However, due to weather conditions beyond our control, four of the producers participating in this grant have not been able to get their Cover Crops seeded. Specifically, these are the producers who planned on seeding after soybean harvest or chopping of corn silage. This unusual weather year certainly has created a good opportunity for learning about the management of cover crops!

At this time recommended seeding deadlines are past. While weather conditions have improved for the moment, it would seem best to extend this opportunity to a time when results are more likely to be successful. As a result, I am requesting an extension to December 31, 2010. I am confident that once harvest is finished I will be able to work with these producers to explore options that allow this grant to be completed well in advance of the requested extension date.

Should you have questions regarding this request you may contact me at (260) 925-5620 ext. 3. Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Allen W. Haynes  
Natural Resource Coordinator

Cc. Jim Lake, DSS, ISDA



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 INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
 STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

This application MUST be typed and MUST be submitted electronically to Amy Eizinger at: Aeizinger@jsda.in.gov

<b>Grantee Name</b>	DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District
<b>Address</b>	942 West 15th Street
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	Auburn, IN 46706

<b>Contact Name</b>	Allen W. Haynes
<b>Title</b>	Natural Resource Coordinator
<b>Address</b>	942 West 15th Street
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	Auburn, IN 46706
<b>County</b>	DeKalb
<b>Telephone</b>	(260) 925-5620 ext. 3
<b>E-mail</b>	ahaynes@co.dekalb.in.us

<b>Name of District Chairperson:</b>	Jeff Conrad
<b>Project Title</b>	Incentive for Cover Crops
<b>Sediment and/or Nutrient Reduction Practice</b>	Cover Crops

Describe your proposed project and how it will address sediment and nutrient management. Be sure to include key steps, benchmarks and desired outcomes. (500 words or less)

The DeKalb County Soil and Water Conservation District in cooperation with local ag retailers The Andersons, Custer Grain, and Hoham-Smith and Company Inc propose a project to encourage the use of cover crops. This collaborative effort continues the working relationship the District has established with these vendors, supports the Districts' Business Plan, and ultimately gets conservation on the land.

Under the proposed project, landowners would receive a \$20/ acre incentive payment on a maximum of 50 acres for utilizing cover crops as part of their production management. Incentives would be offered on a first come-first serve basis. Promotion and marketing of this project would be completed by all participating parties with the District assuming responsibility for administrative tasks.

Ground work for this project has already been completed with the District's successful CWI Marketing Incentive Field Day held August 20, 2008. Producers from across the county gathered to learn the key points and value of utilizing cover crops as part of a nutrient management program. Contact information from this event would provide a base of interested individuals for implementation of this project. Additionally, the District is currently promoting Cover Crops by participating in billboard advertising in conjunction with the Western Lake Erie Basin Project.

This project is designed to be a stand alone project or used in conjunction with other Conservation Programs. Experience has taught us that some interested producers may be ineligible or prefer not to participate in Federal Farm Bill Programs. As a result, we want to provide another incentive option. Conversely, if an additional \$20 incentive per acre can assist in moving a producer toward the adoption of cover crops as part of their nutrient management program we feel this is money well spent; additional dollars would be leveraged into the county for conservation.

The project would continue to promote conservation by providing for temporary signs identifying the conservation practice. These signs would also identify the specific cover crop utilized and provide contact information.

With the grant cycle starting on January 1, 2009 ample time is available for marketing this project, securing producers for participation, and the timely planting of cover crops in the fall on 2009. If well received, this project could be easily replicated.

**Key Steps:** • Successful completion of grant application • Create marketing materials and meet with collaborators by February 28, 2009 • Create sign-up forms by February 28, 2009 • Contact 2008 Cover Crop Event attendees by March 31, 2009 • Marketing of project to landowners – Ongoing • Complete seeding of Cover Crops and sign installation – Fall 2009 • Complete CWI reporting requirements – Quarterly

**Desired Outcomes:** • The installation of 470 acres of Cover Crops • Adoption of cover crop utilization as part of a nutrient management program by local producers • Additional state and federal dollars leveraged into DeKalb County for conservation

**How does this project tie into and advance your District's business plan? (50 words or less)**

As outlined in our January 2008 Business Plan, utilizing cover crops on an additional 1500 acres is one of the ways the DeKalb SWCD has identified to address the critical resource issues of DeKalb County over the next three years. Per the outlined budget, this project would provide incentive for cover crops on 470 of those acres.

List specific partners who will assist with this project, as well as the amount of their contribution.			
Partner	Amount	Partner	Amount
The Anderson's (In-Kind)	\$400		
Custer Grain (In-Kind)	\$400		
Hoham-Smith (In-Kind)	\$400		
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1200</b>

<b>CIT Region</b>	NE
<b>14-digit HUC Code(s)</b>	District priority: 04100003060070, 04100003060040, 04100003060030, 04100003080040
<b>Grant Amount Requested</b>	\$10,000.00

Budget		
Expense Item(s)	In-Kind Match	CWI Funds Requested
<b>Personnel</b>	1275	
<b>Fringe Benefits</b>	446	
<b>Travel</b>	120	
<b>Equipment (Itemize Below)</b>		
<b>Supplies (Itemize Below)</b>		
Temporary Signs ( 12/ two sided @ \$35)		425
Advertising in local paper (2" X 3" X 3 times)		175
Postage, Paper, Envelopes, copies, ink, etc	50	
<b>Other (Itemize Below)</b>		
Incentive Payment to landowners @ \$20 per acre		\$9,400.00

<b>Total CWI Funds Requested</b>	10000
<b>Total SWCD In-Kind Match</b>	1891
<b>Total Partner Funds Contributed (J:77)</b>	1200
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	13091

ELKHART COUNTY  
soil and water conservation  
D I S T R I C T

17746-B County Road 34, Goshen IN 46528 Phone: 574-533-3630, Ext. 3 Fax: 574-533-4620

October 9, 2009

Nola Gentry, SSCB Chair  
State Soil Conservation Board  
c/o ISDA Division of Soil Conservation  
101 W. Ohio St., Suite 1200  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Ms. Gentry:

Thank you for the opportunity provided by the 2008 CWI Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Grant. We feel this project has been of great benefit to Elkhart County, and will continue to have educational value into the future. We are requesting permission to move funds between categories in our grant. Our original grant request asked for:

- Pervious Pavement: \$5,000.00
- Rain Garden soil/prep: \$2,000.00
- Rain Garden plants: \$1,000.00
- Educational Signage: \$2,000.00
- Total: \$10,000.00

As is typical with a project of this scope, final costs came in slightly different than estimated. We are requesting the funding levels to be changed as follows:

- Pervious Pavement: \$4,800.75
- Rain Garden soil/prep: \$2,000.00
- Rain Garden plants: \$1,599.25
- Educational Signage: \$1,600.00
- Total: \$10,000.00

The cost of educational signage came in lower than expected, while the cost of plants was higher than anticipated. The reimbursement to the library for pervious pavement has been adjusted to compensate for the higher cost of plants.

Thank you once again for funding this request. Without CWI grant funding, this project would not have been possible.

Sincerely,



Eric Kurtz, Stormwater Coordinator  
Elkhart County Soil and Water Conservation District





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<b>Grantee Name</b>	Elkhart County SWCD
<b>Address</b>	17746-B CR 34
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	Goshen, IN 46528

<b>Contact Name</b>	Eric Kurtz
<b>Title</b>	Stormwater Coordinator
<b>Address</b>	17746-B CR 34
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	Goshen, IN 46528
<b>County</b>	Elkhart
<b>Telephone</b>	574-533-3630 ext. 3
<b>E-mail</b>	<a href="mailto:eric.kurtz@in.nacdnet.net">eric.kurtz@in.nacdnet.net</a>

<b>Signature Authority (District Chairman)</b>	Jim Hess
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<b>Project Title</b>	Goshen Public Library Sediment & Nutrient Reduction Demonstration Site
<b>Sediment and/or Nutrient Reduction Practice</b>	Rain Gardens and Pervious Pavement

Describe your proposed project and how it will address sediment and nutrient management. Be sure to include key steps, benchmarks, and desired outcomes. (500 words or less)

Stormwater runoff from urban areas is a significant source of sediment, nutrients, and other pollutants entering local waterways. Practices that reduce pollutant loads from urban stormwater runoff can be simple, cost-effective, and functional, but are not widely used due to a lack of real world examples. In order to increase acceptance of these practices, there is a need for demonstration sites.

The Elkhart County SWCD has an opportunity to partner with the Goshen Public Library to demonstrate the use of two such practices, rain gardens and pervious pavement, in the library's parking lot expansion. Preliminary plans call for 1,700 square feet of pervious concrete and 1,800 square feet of rain garden. Grant funds are requested to offset the higher cost of these practices compared to conventional stormwater management.

The SWCD also requests grant funding to create two permanent, high-quality, color signs explaining the basics of water quality, conservation, and the specific practices used at this site. When the practices are in place, the SWCD will hold a field day for developers, contractors, municipal officials, and the public to promote the practices used.

The library sits in a very visible location on Main Street in Goshen, and has 20,000 regular patrons who will see the signs and the practices as they visit the library. The proposed practices will be easy to replicate at homes, businesses, driveways, and parking lots.

The Elkhart County SWCD's 2007-2012 Business Plan identifies sediments and nutrients from non-agricultural land as a critical natural resource issue in Elkhart County and the Elkhart River watershed as a critical geographical area. The District has a five-year goal to develop five demonstration sites demonstrating BMPs such as rain gardens and pervious pavement.

Rain gardens and pervious pavement work by capturing rainfall to reduce peak flows and runoff volumes, enhance infiltration, and filter out pollutants. According to the EPA, rain gardens remove 90% of Total Suspended Solids (TSS), 77% of Phosphorus, and 74% of Nitrogen from stormwater runoff. Pervious pavement removal rates are 95% of TSS, 65% of Phosphorus, and 83% of Nitrogen.

The library is served by a combined sewer system with overflows into the Elkhart River. Reducing the stormwater runoff entering the combined sewer will reduce the frequency and impact of combined sewer overflows, which are a significant contributor of nutrients into waterways from urban areas.

Key steps and benchmarks: 1) Finalization of plans by Library Board and request for bids (Spring 2008); 2) Installation of the practices and educational signage (by December 2008); 3) Field day (April 2009).

Desired outcomes: 1) The demonstration site will show use and maintenance of practices that can easily be replicated in other urban development and redevelopment projects. 2) The practices will reduce stormwater runoff containing nutrients, sediment, and other pollutants that would otherwise enter the combined sewer system and local waterways. 3) Signage and a field day will help educate developers, city officials, and the public and increase acceptance of these practices.

List specific partners who will assist with this project, as well as the amount of their contribution.			
Partner	Amount	Partner	Amount
Goshen Public Library (Perv Pavement)	27500	Master Gardener (5 vol hours)	75
GPL (Rain Garden)	15000	Master Naturalist (5 vol hours)	75
Goshen Parks (plant consulting)	200		
Elkhart River Alliance (5 vol hours)	75		
			<b>Total</b> 42925

<b>County</b>	Elkhart
<b>CIT Region</b>	NE
<b>14-digit HUC Code(s)</b>	04050001210010 (Elkhart River - Goshen)
<b>Grant Amount Requested</b>	\$10,000.00

Budget		
Expense Item(s)	In-Kind Match	CWI Funds Requested
Personnel (SWCD staff for field day)	800	0
Fringe Benefits	0	0
Travel	0	0
<b>Equipment (Itemize Below)</b>		
<b>Supplies (Itemize Below)</b>		
Pervious Pavement and sub-grade material	0	5000
Rain Garden growing medium and sub-grade material	0	2000
Rain Garden plants	0	1000
Educational signage (2 signs)	0	2000
<b>Other (Itemize Below)</b>		
Field Day Brochure, Publicity, and Promotion	500	0

<b>Total CWI Funds Requested</b>	10000
<b>Total SWCD In-Kind Match</b>	1300
<b>Total Partner Funds Contributed (J.65)</b>	42925
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	54225



## Soil and Water Conservation District

*Protection and Preservation of our Natural Resources*

1101 W. Main St. Ste. N – Greenfield, Indiana 46140

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*Tri-County: Hancock, Rush and Shelby*

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[www.shelbycountyswcd.org](http://www.shelbycountyswcd.org)

October 26, 2009

Dear State Soil Conservation Board:

The Tri-County Conservation Partnership would like to request an extension for our Clean Water Indiana Grant – Regional District Technician. We began our grant in September 2006. Our Regional District Technician is Ashley Carlton; she works in all three counties, working part-time in all three counties; providing assistance to each of the SWCD's and NRCS. She is a great resource and we are very grateful to have her on board. We would like to request that our Extension be extended to the end of December 2010. We are excited about the 2010 year – we have a lot of field days, workshops planned with the multi-county region - we can reach more landowners.

Thank you,  
*Cindy Newkirk*

Cindy Newkirk  
District Administrator/Environmental Educator  
Hancock County Soil and Water Conservation District

### Hancock County Soil and Water Conservation District

#### **Supervisors**

Ray Helms, Chair  
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Steve Lewis  
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**CLEAN WATER INDIANA (CWI) GRANT PROGRAM  
GRANT # 6-CWI-102  
REGIONAL TECHNICIAN GRANT**

This Grant Agreement, entered into by and between the Indiana State Department of Agriculture, through the Division of Soil Conservation (the "State") and **Hancock County Soil and Water Conservation District** (the "Grantee"), is executed pursuant to the terms and conditions set forth herein. In consideration of those mutual undertakings and covenants, the parties agree as follows:

**1. Purpose:**

The purpose of this Grant Agreement is to enable the State to make a grant from the Clean Water Indiana Grant Program fund in the amount of **Forty Thousand Dollars and No Cents (\$40,000.00)** to the Grantee for the eligible costs of the project described in Exhibit A of this Grant Agreement (hereinafter referred to as the "**Project**"). The grant shall be used exclusively in accordance with the provisions contained in this Grant Agreement, as well as within the requirements, rules and regulations of the CWI grant programs as described in the CWI Grant Program Guidelines and Application, the provisions of Indiana Code § 14-32-8, and other documents and communications sent by the State to Grantee in connection with this Grant (collectively "**Program Documents**").

**2. Term:**

The term of this Grant Agreement shall be from May 1, 2006 until **April 30, 2007** (the "**Expiration Date**"), unless sooner terminated as described in this Grant Agreement. All work and services funded under this Grant Agreement must be completed by the Expiration Date. In no event shall payments be made for activities performed after the Expiration Date. Claims on activities performed up to and including the Expiration Date will be accepted up to **sixty (60) days** after the Expiration Date.

**3. Duties and Responsibilities of the Grantee:**

In fulfilling this Grant Agreement, the Grantee shall have the following duties and responsibilities as described in Exhibit A (Scope of Work). Exhibit A is attached and fully incorporated by reference into this Grant Agreement.

**4. Payment of Grant Funds by the State:**

The State shall provide funding and cooperate and coordinate with the Grantee in the course of this Grant Agreement to ensure the Grantee fulfills its responsibilities. The payment of this Grant by the State shall be made in accordance with the following schedule and conditions:

- A. This Grant Agreement must be fully executed.

**Exhibit A  
Scope of Work**

**Project Description:** Grantee will use funds to implement a tri-county conservation partnership to provide technical support to area landowners wishing to participate in federal, state, or locally funded conservation practices.

**Partners:** Rush County Soil and Water Conservation District, Shelby County Soil and Water Conservation District

**Eligible costs of the Project:** Personnel and fringe, contractual services, travel, supplies

**Duties and Responsibilities of the Grantee:**

1. Maintain communications with the SSCB for the duration of the Project.
2. Allow SSCB, through the DSC staff, to conduct reviews to monitor progress.
3. Provide SSCB Quarterly reports on July 1, October 1, January 1, and March 1 during the term of the Grant Agreement.
4. Provide SSCB with a final, annual report within 30 days of year-end.

\*Reporting forms will be provided in an electronic format by DSC staff.

**Exhibit B  
Budget**

This grant:	\$40,000
Grantee contribution from all sources:	\$15,666
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$55,666</b>



**HUNTINGTON COUNTY  
SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**



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2040 Riverfork Drive Huntington, IN 46750 260/356-6816 ext. 3

October 23, 2009

State Soil Conservation Board

Indianapolis, IN

Dear Board Members,

The Huntington County Soil and Water Conservation District was awarded a 2009 Sediment and Nutrient Grant to promote wetlands. In our grant we proposed to cost share, a maximum of \$1,500 each with a minimum of six landowners for installation of a new or reconstructing an existing wetland. We currently have two projects completed with one partially completed and have two more in the planning process. We have one landowner we will be meeting with whose property through a LARE Study was determined it needed a wetland installed. We also have two other potential sites that need wetlands installed.

Our grant is due to expire on December 31, 2009 and we are requesting an extension of 6 months to enable us to complete these projects. Due to weather conditions some of the areas are cropped and have not yet been harvested. We feel this is a very worthy project and would like to be able to complete our goal in implementing this conservation practice through an extension of our grant.

Thank you for your support through the funding of Clean Water Indiana programs and consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

Kyle Lund, Chairman  
L. Joe Carroll, Vice Chairman  
Hal Hoffman, Supervisor  
Ned Ruble, Supervisor  
Joe Landrum, Supervisor  
Cheryl Jarrett, Office Mgr./Education Coordinator



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<b>Grantee Name</b>	Huntington County Soil and Water Conservation District
<b>Address</b>	2040 Riverfork Drive
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	Huntington, IN 46750

<b>Contact Name</b>	Cheryl Jarrett
<b>Title</b>	Office Manager/Education Coordinator
<b>Address</b>	2040 Riverfork Drive
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	Huntington, IN 46750
<b>County</b>	Huntington, IN 46750
<b>Telephone</b>	260-356-6816 ext. 3
<b>E-mail</b>	<a href="mailto:cheryl.jarrett@IN.nacdnet.net">cheryl.jarrett@IN.nacdnet.net</a>

<b>Name of District Chairperson:</b>	Kyle Lund
<b>Project Title</b>	Wetlands-A Key Link in Watershed Management
<b>Sediment and/or Nutrient Reduction Practice</b>	Wetlands filter nutrients that effect water quality, protect from erosion, recharge groundwater, slow floodwaters and supports wildlife

Describe your proposed project and how it will address sediment and nutrient management. Be sure to include key steps, benchmarks and desired outcomes. (500 words or less)

The Huntington County Soil and Water Conservation District will work with DNR-Division of Wildlife, Little River Wetland Project, and NRCS to promote development and restoration of wetlands. The District's Business Plan addresses the importance of wetlands in protecting the quality of our water, management of nutrients flowing into our rivers and streams and protection from soil erosion and flooding. The District sees wetlands as a "Key-Link" in watershed management. The first step in promoting wetlands, the District will provide information about wetlands through news releases, District newsletter, and informational brochures and handouts. Next, we will host a workshop in the spring at an existing wetland to educate landowners how wetlands work and how they benefit us. Next, we will offer an incentive of 50% match, not to exceed \$1,500 per project, for construction of new or restoring wetlands in areas susceptible to stream bank overflows during high rain events. (The cap for the project will be \$9,000 for cost share.) This will help to remove sediment and nutrients from streams. The District will continually promote the construction of wetlands in the county and seek additional funding for new projects. The District plans to purchase a portable PA system to use at field days and workshops to assist presenters in better communication to the audience.

**How does this project tie into and advance your Districts business plan? (50 words or less)**

It is the goal of the Huntington County SWCD to build awareness of the importance of protecting our natural wetlands and developing new areas. This project will promote our goal in our Business Plan by providing information and cost share to encourage construction and restoration of wetlands that are beneficial in protecting the quality of our water, reducing erosion, enhancing wildlife areas and retaining water in high rain events.

List specific partners who will assist with this project, as well as the amount of their contribution			
Partner	Amount	Partner	Amount
DNR-Division of Fish & Wildlife	\$600.00		
Little River Wetlands Project	\$400.00		
Extension	\$200.00		
Local Bank	\$100.00		
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1300</b>

<b>CIT Region</b>	NE
<b>14-digit HUC Code(s)</b>	05120101130030,05120101140030,05120102040020,05120102040040, 05120102040060
<b>Grant Amount Requested</b>	\$5,437.00

Budget		
Expense Item(s)	In-Kind Match	CWI Funds Requested
<b>Personnel</b>	\$800.00	
<b>Fringe Benefits</b>		
<b>Travel</b>	\$50.00	\$50.00
<b>Equipment (Itemize Below)</b>		
Portable Public Address System	\$650.00	\$650.00
<b>Supplies (Itemize Below)</b>		
paper	\$21.00	\$7.00
posters/flyers	\$8.00	\$40.00
brochures	\$18.00	\$30.00
folders	\$10.00	\$10.00
<b>Other (Itemize Below)</b>		
postage	\$100.00	\$150.00
cost share up to 50% not to exceed \$1,500 each	\$4,500.00	\$4,500.00

<b>Total CWI Funds Requested</b>	5437
<b>Total SWCD In-Kind Match</b>	6157
<b>Total Partner Funds Contributed (J:77)</b>	1300
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	12894





**Scott County Soil and Water Conservation District**  
**656 South Boatman Road, Suite 3**  
**Scottsburg, IN 47170-6866**  
**Phone: (812) 752-2269, Extension 3**  
**Fax: (812) 752-7066**

November 4, 2009

Dear State Soil Conservation Board (SSCB),

RE: 2009 CWI Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Grant A377-9-CWI-020

The Scott County SWCD has used this grant to pay a \$500 cost share for selected Best Management Practices. We wanted to select 20 practices on which to pay cost shares. Knowing that some participants may drop out over the course of the program, Scott County SWCD originally selected 22 practices to participate in this project.

However, we have four participants who have dropped out of the program for various reasons. It has been an extremely wet summer and fall in Southern Indiana, which also complicates finding additional participants. This means that we anticipate an excess of \$1000 in unpaid cost shares as of December 31, 2009.

We respectfully request that the SSCB allow an extension to our grant through June 30, 2010. This would allow us to recruit two additional practices. It is hoped that any participants that dropped due to weather could complete their projects during spring planting.

If you require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact our office at 812-752-2269 or by email at [Lynda.phillips@in.nacdnet.net](mailto:Lynda.phillips@in.nacdnet.net). Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

*Lynda Phillips*

Lynda Phillips  
District Coordinator

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Lynda Phillips  
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Coordinator



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 SEDIMENT AND NUTRIENT REDUCTION GRANT  
 INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
 STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

This application **MUST** be typed and **MUST** be submitted electronically to Amy Eizinger at: [Aeizinger@jsda.in.gov](mailto:Aeizinger@jsda.in.gov)

<b>Grantee Name</b>	Scott County Soil and Water Conservation District
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<b>Name of District Chairperson:</b>	John Hardin
<b>Project Title</b>	Scott County Sediment and Nutrient Reduction in Pasture and Hay Land
<b>Sediment and/or Nutrient Reduction Practice</b>	Grazing Best Management Practices

Describe your proposed project and how it will address sediment and nutrient management. Be sure to include key steps, benchmarks and desired outcomes. (500 words or less)

Farming expenses have risen in every aspect. From the price of fuel to fertilizer, costs are sky-rocketing. Just trying to maintain farming operations can be burdensome, while investing in best management practices can be a luxury many cannot afford. Some producers will invest in areas where they can see a direct return on their dollars. As a result, pasture and hay land best management practices may get delayed or postponed. The Scott County SWCD began a theme last year of "Sediment and Nutrient Reduction in Pasture and Hay Land". We knew that most producers use soil testing in row crop land, but neglected pasture and hay land. We found a niche of opportunity and utilized the monies from our 2008 SNRG to maximize it.

We want to continue this theme into 2009 by expanding the program. We propose to help the farmer implement grazing best management practices by offering a \$500 incentive payment. The producer would be required to match the payment with a minimum of \$250 or the remainder of the cost of the practice whichever is greater. In addition, we have developed a unique partnership with six, different local suppliers. We have negotiated a 10% discount on supplies for the approved practices. These practices include installation of an exclusion fence, heavy use area, pipeline, stream crossing or a permanent watering facility, implementation of prescribed grazing and pasture and hay land planting. All installed practices will meet NRCS field office technical guide standards and specifications. EQIP grazing practice programs are only available to producers with over \$1000 of annual farm income. The 2002 Census of Agriculture stated that 36% of farms in Scott County have annual farm sales of less than \$1000. This is a significant group that we want to target. Just as in the 2008 SNRG, we have found an innovative niche of opportunity by offering our program to all producers.

Our plan is to advertise the project through our CMIG established mailing list, newsletters and also the local media. This will not only promote our project, but also raise public awareness of sediment and nutrient reduction. We will accept applications from January 1 thru February 28. We will promote this project at our Annual Dinner in early February. We will select 20 practices with preference placed on one practice per producer. These folks will be notified by March 15. They will have until September 15 to implement their approved practice. We are planning a Fall Field Day to demonstrate the completed practices and again raise public awareness. Receipts will be submitted no later than October 15 and all payments will be made by November 15.

Before and after pictures of the approved practices will be taken and used to demonstrate benchmarks of best management practices. By publicizing these pictures we will be able to continue to raise public awareness of sediment and nutrient reduction. This will extend the project into future years as well as stretch the dollars that are allocated to the program.

**How does this project tie into and advance your District's business plan? (50 words or less)**

Critical Natural Resource Issue: Soil Erosion & Soil Quality.

In addition, our Statements of Intent under Pasture:

By December 2011, improve pasture quality and get maximum number of head per acre while reducing environmental impacts by 1000 acres.

By December 2011, correct over/under fertilization by encouraging best management practices.

List specific partners who will assist with this project, as well as the amount of their contribution.			
Partner	Amount	Partner	Amount
Local Farm and Rock Suppliers	\$1,627.50		
(Crop Production Services, Farm Bureau Co-op, J&J Feed & Farm Supply, Hanson Aggregates, Orscheln and Sullivan's Feed Mill)			
		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,627.50</b>

CIT Region	SE		
14-digit HUC Code(s)	05120207030060, 05120207040040, 05120207100020, 05120207040100		
Grant Amount Requested	\$10,000.00		
<b>Budget</b>			
Expense Item(s)	In-Kind Match	CWI Funds Requested	
Personnel - Supervisor & Dist. Coord. Wages	\$1,328.52		
Fringe Benefits - Dist. Coord. Wage x 25%	\$200.88		
Travel - 150 miles x County rate \$.40/mile	\$60.00		
Equipment (Itemize Below)			
<b>Supplies (Itemize Below)</b>			
Bulk mail permit	\$175.00		
Postage (Newsletters & other mailings)	\$550.00		
Printer Cartridges	\$400.00		
Field Day Expenses	\$250.00		
Annual Dinner Expenses (pro-rated)	\$500.00		
<b>Other (Itemize Below)</b>			
Producer minimum cost share	\$5,000.00		
Project cost share		\$10,000.00	
Photo printing	\$50.00		

Total CWI Funds Requested	\$10,000.00
Total SWCD In-Kind Match	\$8,514.40
Total Partner Funds Contributed (J:77)	\$1,627.50
Total Project Cost	\$20,141.90



**SWITZERLAND COUNTY  
SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

Switzerland County SWCD  
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October 26, 2009

State Soil Conservation Board  
c/o Indiana State Department of Agriculture  
101 W. Ohio St., Suite 1200  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

RE: CWI SNRG Grant #A377-9-CWI-024

Dear Board Members,

On behalf of the Switzerland County Board of Supervisors this is a formal request for an extension of the above referenced grant. We obtained the 2009 SNRG grant to fund our 2009 Hay & Pasture Planting program.

Several factors have limited the implementation of the 2009 Hay & Pasture Planting Program, the main reason being the wet weather experienced by much of the southern half of the state. Of the original \$10,000 we have paid out \$4,600. However, we have approved the practice for another 76 acres totaling \$3,800. Almost all of the approved landowners have cited the wet weather as the hindrance to completing the project. The Board feels that it would be to the benefit of the county's conservation program to seek an extension on this grant and offer the program into the 2010 seeding dates.

We would like to thank you for your time and consideration of our proposal. If you have any questions, please contact our office at (812)427-3126 ext. 3.

Respectfully,

Ron Cutter  
District Chairman  
Switzerland County Soil & Water Conservation District



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 INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
 STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

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<b>Title</b>	District Technician
<b>Address</b>	105 E Pike St
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<b>County</b>	Switzerland County
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<b>Name of District Chairperson:</b>	Ron Cutter
<b>Project Title</b>	2009 Featured Conservation Practice
<b>Sediment and/or Nutrient Reduction Practice</b>	Pasture/Hayland Planting

Describe your proposed project and how it will address sediment and nutrient management. Be sure to include key steps, benchmarks and desired outcomes. (500 words or less)

As our growing season comes to an end the county's farmers have been faced with many obstacles due to our ever changing weather. Many pastures and hay fields within the county are at risk for sediment and nutrient runoff. With a very wet spring many farmers were not able to reseed or fertilize in a timely manner; added to this predicament comes the dry fall we are currently experiencing causing several failed plantings. Our district proposes a two phase conservation program offering cost share assistance for soil testing and pasture and hay land seeding. First the district will educate on the proper techniques for soil testing and offer free soil tests. Without soil tests and proper fertilizer, vegetation will not have the necessary health and vigor. Not only will healthy plants provide greater grazing and hay tonnage but it will decrease sediment loss and reduce erosion. Second the district will offer planting assistance on the tested acreage. The producer must follow the recommendations from the soil tests for the application of the fertilizer and from NRCS on the seeding rates and dates for the planting.

The district will first offer technical assistance and free soil testing on their pasture and hayland. All producers interested in the soil testing will be given informational packets including a personalized soils map of their farm and information on the proper application of the needed fertilizer. This part of the conservation plan will begin in the month of October. Through this established data base of producers the district will advertise the pasture and hayland planting assistance.

The district will offer technical assistance and a cost share of \$50 an acre with a maximum of \$500 a producer. Enrollment will be offered through the month of January to March 1, 2008. After this time the board will rank the applications. In order to qualify, an applicant must own land in Switzerland County, be registered with Farm Services Agency, willing to conduct soil tests, and be willing to follow NRCS recommendations. Qualified applicants will be notified by phone or mail. The district will supply any needed assistance. All applicants will be given a time frame for completion of the planting and submitting paid bills. Conservation practices will be certified before being paid. The ending result will be not only protection of our natural resources but an education of the important connection between soil testing, hay/pasture planting and the environment. This program will be a valuable tool for the district to educate residents of the available technical resources the district and NRCS can provide.

Our intention is to commence the enrollment in January 2009. The deadline for completion of the practices will be December 31, 2009. All applicants will be reimbursed by February 2010.

**How does this project tie into and advance your District's business plan? (50 words or less)**

The Switzerland County Soil and Water Conservation District's mission is to provide leadership and awareness in natural resources conservation and proper land use management through education, technical assistance, funding, and support of partnership personnel and land users. The proposed conservation program will require soil testing to be completed before the fertilizing and planting of the seed. We are educating on the correlation of soil fertility and proper uses of fertilizers and their effects on the vegetation stamena and eventually the health of the fields and watersheds around the fields.

**List specific partners who will assist with this project, as well as the amount of their contribution**

Partner	Amount	Partner	Amount
Vevay Switzerland County Foundation	10,000		
Laughery Valley Ag Co-op	500		
			<b>Total</b> 10500

<b>CIT Region</b>	CSE
<b>14-digit HUC Code(s)</b>	Plum creek:05090203190020; Indian:05090203200020;Grants:0509020310010;Log Lick:05090203180030
<b>Grant Amount Requested</b>	\$10,000.00

**Budget**

Expense Item(s)	In-Kind Match	CWI Funds Requested
<b>Personnel</b>		
<b>Fringe Benefits</b>		
<b>Travel</b>		
<b>Equipment (Itemize Below)</b>		
<b>Supplies (Itemize Below)</b>		
paper for mailers and any assistance	300	
printing of mailers and any assistance	250	
postage for mailers	100	
labels for mailers	50	
ink and toner for printing	300	
<b>Other (Itemize Below)</b>		
200 acres reimbursement @ \$50 an acre		10,000
Soil tests	2000	

<b>Total CWI Funds Requested</b>	10000
<b>Total SWCD In-Kind Match</b>	3000
<b>Total Partner Funds Contributed (J:77)</b>	10500
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	23500



Wayne County Soil and Water  
Conservation District

823 S. Round Barn Road  
Richmond, IN 47374  
765-966-0191 x3

October 16, 2009

In regards to: SNRG #A377-9-CWI-029

Indiana State Soil Conservation Board  
101 W. Ohio St., Suite 1200  
Indianapolis, IN 46204

Dear Indiana State Soil Conservation Board,

This letter is concerning the above referenced CWI grant. The Wayne County SWCD, Grantee, is respectfully requesting an extension and modification of the SNRG #A377-9-CWI-029. The current expiration date is December 31, 2009. The new requested expiration date is October 31, 2010.

Due to unexpected circumstances within the Amish community, the original grant as written will no longer serve the intended purpose. Amish leaders have now decided that the Amish Community can not accept "handouts" or any items purchased for them, using "government" funds. This means the cover crop seed, no-till planter modifications and soil testing incentives written into the grant are not able to be utilized. The Wayne County SWCD is proposing the new expiration date, along with opening the incentives up to all Wayne County producers and landowners, not just the Amish, on a first come first serve basis.

The Wayne County SWCD is going forward and will hold a "modified" field day for the Amish (the date was set to accommodate Amish schedules) and will be held at the Wayne County fairgrounds. The date is December 2, 2009. Confirmed speakers are Ed Heckman; retired Purdue Extension, Dennis Brown; Byron Seeds, Robert Zupancic; NRCS, and potentially Barry Fisher, NRCS. As in the original grant, vans will be rented and transport the Amish to the field day.

To summarize, the Wayne County SWCD is requesting an extension of the expiration date of the above mentioned grant to October 31, 2010 and where stated in the original grant proposal "Amish" be changed to "Any" Wayne County landowner or producer to utilize the incentives for cover crop, soil testing and planter modifications. We also request the \$100 for port-a-pot rental and \$300 for the AMS soil probes be moved to the line item of cover crop seeds.

Sincerely,

Raquel Baker  
District Technician



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 INDIANA STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
 STATE SOIL CONSERVATION BOARD**

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<b>County</b>	Wayne
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<b>E-mail</b>	raquel.baker@in.nacdnet.net

<b>Name of District Chairperson:</b>	Harold Routson
<b>Project Title</b>	"Educating Our Amish Community on the Benefits of Soil Conservation"
<b>Sediment and/or Nutrient Reduction Practice</b>	Soil Conservation

Describe your proposed project and how it will address sediment and nutrient management. Be sure to include key steps, benchmarks and desired outcomes. (500 words or less)

The Wayne County SWCD proposes to hold an educational field day to promote soil conservation, along with offering cover crop seed, soil testing, and planter conversion incentives to members within the Amish Community in our county. Typical tillage practices used by area Amish are predominantly conventional, with the moldboard plow a common piece of tillage equipment. With soil tillage being the major cause of soil erosion, the Wayne County SWCD understands the detrimental effects, and our goal is to better educate the Amish producer so that they may make informed decisions on the betterment of their lands. In no way is the Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District proposing to interfere with the religious beliefs of the Amish, our goal is to establish a working conservation relationship with them.

The first step in this process is by way of outreach and education. We plan to host a Amish Field Day during the summer-fall of 2009. The SWCD proposes the rental of vans to transport the Amish to the field day, ensuring Amish producers have no transportation issues. During the Field Day the advantages and benefits of soil testing, no-till planting and the use of cover crops will be emphasized, along with other conservation topics. This Field Day will be advertised through news releases, newsletters, and flyers placed in strategic locations, along with personal visits to Amish farms by SWCD personnel and board members.

Planned cover crop seeds to be purchased from Byron Seeds at a discounted rate include Tillage Radishes, Cereal Rye and Hairy Vetch. Amish producers shall sign a contract stating upon receipt of cover crop seed, they shall agree to apply the same amount of seed at their own cost one out of the next two following years. Soil testing probes shall be purchased and loaned out to Amish producers (and any other landowner needing to pull samples), testing bags shall be purchased and Amish soil samples sent to A&L Great Lakes Lab for analysis. Cost share assistance shall be made available for the duration of the grant. Planter modifications shall include a fixed dollar amount available to the Amish producer for the purchase of Seed Firmers, Row Cleaners and Closing Wheels. These planter modifications shall be made within one year of signing the agreement and receiving the cost share funds.

It is the express hope of the Wayne County SWCD to bring about a solid working relationship with the Amish in our county. Outreach has begun, and Amish producers who have been contacted are receptive to the SWCD's offer of conservation assistance and seem eager for any help available.



**How does this project tie into and advance your Districts business plan? (50 words or less)**

Outreach to the Amish Community, included within our business plan, needs to be accomplished by 2011. Included under Water Quality, Flooding Issues and Wetlands, our goal is to "Seek opportunities and ways to educate the local Amish Community about conservation practices and have them implement Best Management Practices".

List specific partners who will assist with this project, as well as the amount of their contribution.			
Partner	Amount	Partner	Amount
Purdue Extension	In-Kind		
Byron Seeds LLC	In-Kind		
Whitewater River Initiative Project	In-Kind		
Esch Ag	In-Kind		
Locust Grove Ag	In-Kind		
<b>Total</b>			<b>0</b>

<b>CIT Region</b>	SE
<b>14-digit HUC Code(s)</b>	Multiple: 05080003010110, 05080003030020, 05080003010030
<b>Grant Amount Requested</b>	\$10,000.00

Budget		
Expense Item(s)	In-Kind Match	CWI Funds Requested
<b>Personnel</b>	\$1,200	
<b>Fringe Benefits</b>	\$300	0
<b>Travel</b>	\$1,000	0
<b>Equipment (Itemize Below)</b>		
Portable PA System		\$570
Port-A-Pot Rental		\$100
AMS Soil Probes		\$300
<b>Supplies (Itemize Below)</b>		
Paper		\$44
Postage		\$84
Grazing Sticks (100 sticks)		\$445
<b>Other (Itemize Below)</b>		
Van rentals		\$600
Purchase of cover crops seeds		\$1,357
Planter modifications to no-till		\$4,000
Soil Testing Samples		\$2,500

<b>Total CWI Funds Requested</b>	10000
<b>Total SWCD In-Kind Match</b>	2500
<b>Total Partner Funds Contributed (J-77)</b>	0
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	12500

Whitley County Soil and Water Conservation District  
1919 E Business 30  
Columbia City, IN 46725  
Phone 260-244-6266 ext. 3  
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November 5, 2009

Nola Gentry, Chairperson  
State Soil Conservation Board  
2722 Covington Street  
West Lafayette, IN 47906-1460

Dear Nola Gentry,

The Whitley County Soil and Water Conservation District would like to ask for an extension of our Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Assistance Agreement Grant. We would like to extend the agreement until June 1, 2010. Due to the wet spring and the wet fall of 2009, we haven't been able to do the work we had planned to complete in our county. Hopefully, next spring will be more cooperative and we will be able to complete the remaining projects that we have committed ourselves to doing.

Sincerely,

*Nadean Lamle*

Nadean Lamle, Office Manager  
Whitley County Soil and Water  
Conservation District



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<b>County</b>	Whitley County
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<b>Name of District Chairperson:</b>	Gary Lamle
<b>Project Title</b>	Assistance with Correcting Excessive Spring Rain Damage
<b>Sediment and/or Nutrient Reduction Practice</b>	Vegetative and Structural Practices

Describe your proposed project and how it will address sediment and nutrient management. Be sure to include key steps, benchmarks and desired outcomes. (500 words or less)

Whitley County Soil and Water Conservation District held a special meeting, July 23 to discuss the Emergency Conservation Assistance Program (ECAP) which had been proposed by the State Soil Conservation Board (SSCB). The reason for our meeting was to do an appraisal of the damage which had been done to agricultural land because of excessive rainfall, flooding and runoff during first half of this year. We had a good handle what problems were out there from when the District had done their county's tillage transect, June 18th shortly after the heavy rains. Plus, Julie Harrold, ISDA had canvassed southern part of Whitley County where she had seen sixteen erosion problems areas that could be viewed from just the road. Practices needed to correct problems include both vegetative and/or structural measures.

We learned in late August that SSCB had made the decision to use all the money that was available for the Emergency Conservation Assistance Program (ECAP) in 35 counties in southern part of the state that had suffered the most damage on their land. Whitley County fully supports SSCB's decision to use the special funds to assist 35 counties that sustained largest amounts of the flooding in our state.

Whitley County would like to have the opportunity to assist at least some of the landowners with correcting some of the sites we had viewed earlier this year. We are in hopes that the SSCB would look favorably on our application to use the funds under the Sediment and Nutrient Grants Program to assist with correcting some of these problems areas. We need to reduce the amount of sediment and nutrients that are entering our local rivers and their tributaries.

The District is willing to provide all the administrative support and supplies as part of our in-kind support so that all of the \$10,000 request could go to landowners who would agree to apply for assistance to correct damage areas that were caused by the heavy rain falls of this spring. We are planning to ask the landowners to pay 50% of the expenses and the Sediment and Nutrient Grant would pay the other 50%.

We are going to be working with our local Farm Service Agency, Natural Resources Service and Cooperative Extension office to make landowners aware of this grant opportunity if this becomes available.

**Key Steps:**

1. When learning if we are going to receive the grant – the board will draft a practice list, unit costs and cost share rates not to exceed 50% cost-share
2. We will announce to our local Farm Service Agency, Natural Resources Service and Cooperative Extension offices that this limited grant funding will be available
3. Our contracted office personal will make direct field visits with the landowners who have damaged sites to begin making conservation plans of action and explain the cost share agreement to assist in the installation conservation

How does this project tie into and advance your Districts business plan? (50 words or less)

In reducing water erosion and improve water quality which are two of our critical natural resource issues in our Cons

List specific partners who will assist with this project, as well as the amount of their contribution.

Partner	Amount	Partner	Amount
Whitley County Extension Service	\$200.00 (in kind)		
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$200.00 (in</b>

CIT Region	NE
14-digit HUC Code(s)	
Grant Amount Requested	\$10,000.00

Budget		
Expense Item(s)	In-Kind Match	CWI Funds Requested
<b>Personnel</b>	\$1,500.00	
<b>Fringe Benefits</b>		
<b>Travel</b>	\$300.00	
<b>Equipment (Itemize Below)</b>		
Will be furnished by the Whitley SWCD		
a. Computer & Printer	\$500.00	
b. Laser & Rod	\$500.00	
c. Hand Held unit for GIS	\$100.00	
d. Use of copier	\$100.00	
e. Cell Phone	\$100.00	
<b>Supplies (Itemize Below)</b>		
Will be furnished by the Whitley SWCD		
a. Office supplies (paper & etc)	\$50.00	
b. Postage	\$50.00	
c. Secretarial Assistance	\$500.00	
<b>Other (Itemize Below)</b>		
Cost-Share - Landowner's cost share	\$5,000.00	\$10,000

<b>Total CWI Funds Requested</b>	<b>\$10,000.00</b>
<b>Total SWCD In-Kind Match</b>	<b>\$3,700.00</b>
<b>Total Partner Funds (Partners &amp; Landowners)</b>	<b>\$5,200.00</b>
<b>Total Project Cost</b>	<b>\$18,900.00</b>

## **SSCB November Report**

### **CWI Grants Proposals**

- SSCB approved \$550,000 for 2010 CWI Grants Program
- 88 SWCDs submitted proposals for a total of \$584,409
- 77 SWCDs submitted proposals for the maximum \$7,000
- 11 SWCDs submitted proposals under \$7,000
- Breakdown by category
  - 15.3 percent proposed for Adult Education
  - 13.6 percent proposed for Outreach
  - 40.7 percent proposed for Cost Share
  - 19.9 percent for Staffing
  - 1.0 percent for Supervisor Training

### **Staff Accountability**

- As all of you are aware, many of the CWI, LARE, IDEM 319 grants, and numerous other watershed initiatives are not tracked through the USDA-PRS system which leaves a void in the overall impact of conservation. In an effort to capture this data, the Environmental Stewardship Team consulted with Purdue and Cengea to define a solution. We requested they propose to us what it would cost to build a Web-based application with the following three criteria in mind:
  - Accessible to all Indiana Conservation Partnership personnel
  - Track location and type of BMPs
  - Track status, cost and funding of project, as well as staff time
  - Utilize a model to estimate the reduction in pollutant transport as a result of the BMPs implemented.
- We have received both proposals and are currently evaluating them.

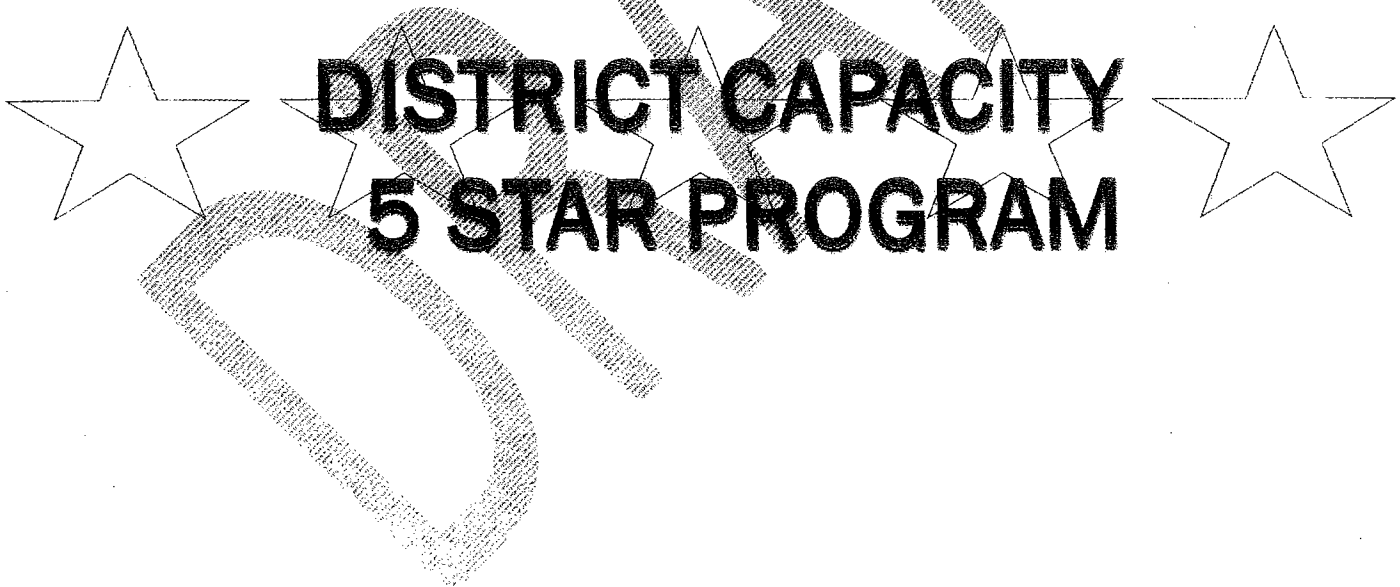
### **LIDAR Data**

- The Indiana Geographic Information office, Indiana Geographic Information Committee, and USGS are submitting an American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) proposal for the acquisition of LiDAR data in the Great Lakes Initiative area. This would include 11 counties in Northern Indiana. ISDA will be assisting with the proposal and hopes to utilize this data within the Western Lake Erie Basin with AGREN Toolkit. This software utilizes LiDAR elevation data to quickly determine the best sites for wetlands within watersheds.

### **SharePoint**

- The ISDA SharePoint site is up and running on the State server and the Environmental Stewardship Team is currently developing the site for later use with field staff and SWCDs. We hope to launch the site early next year.

**District Capacity 5 Star Program (5 Star District Capacity  
Achievement Project (Initiative); 5 Star District Capacity Building  
Project (Initiative),?)  
White Paper**



# District Capacity 5 Star Program White Paper

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Prepared for the State Soil Conservation Board by members of the Leadership Development Workgroup, a group of the Indiana Conservation Partnership 20/20 Strategic Plan

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## DESCRIPTION OF NEED AND VALUE

The Five Star District Capacity Program reflects the vision that the foundation of an effective local conservation delivery system is District Capacity. Without it, soil and water stewardship and watershed restoration become little more than “just talk”. This program also recognizes that it is the primary responsibility of every partner to become the most well informed and effective leader they can be. By providing a comprehensive toolbox of information and training touching every aspect of the District and Partnership mission, the Five Star District Capacity Program represents the means of empowerment through which conservation education, cost share and technical assistance can occur locally on a scale never before thought possible in Indiana.

## OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT

In 2005, the Indiana Conservation Partnership (ICP) developed a strategic plan entitled “20/20, The ICP’s Vision for the Future”. Six workgroups were convened during this process and assigned activities to work over the course of the next few years. A SWCD Leadership Institute has been successfully developed and implemented in the state. Known as the “four cornerstones of leadership”, this four course series has been rotating throughout the state and has been available to supervisors, associate supervisors, primary SWCD staff and other agency partners.

Although not an outcome of the strategic plan, but strengthened with the plan has been the successful development and implementation of the “District Visits” program. Over 15 Districts have utilized this process to provide a review and accountability of the District’s programs, staff and supervisors.

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The District Capacity 5 Star Program was an idea generated by the success of the above mentioned programs. Seeing the need to increase district capacity by empowering local supervisors, providing adequate training, increasing accountability, strategically developing programs, and providing effective on-the-ground conservation, the District Capacity 5 Star Program is the tool to get the job done. This program encompasses resources, information, data, and training already in place and intends to identify missing gaps and services still needed. This is a true partnership program aimed at increasing the capacity and success of Indiana's soil and water conservation districts.

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- The program should utilize and expand on existing resources, information, data, and training already in place.
- The Clean Water Indiana program should be an avenue for funding sustainability of this program.
- An evaluation component is key to the success of this program and could possibly be used to determine future state level funding of local soil and water conservation districts.
- The program will be sustainable over time, regardless of leadership changes in Partner organizations.

## NECESSARY ELEMENTS

The members of the ICP Leadership Development Workgroup have identified the following as necessary elements of a successful district capacity program. The elements may need to be amended as the program takes shape.

### ***State Soil Conservation Board Support***

The success of the District Capacity 5 Star Program is dependent on the support and potential funding by the members of the State Soil Conservation Board (SSCB). According to District Law (IC 14-32-2-12) the SSCB is responsible for providing appropriate assistance to the soil and water conservation districts to carry out district powers and programs; keep districts informed of the activities and experience of other districts and facilitate cooperation and an interchange of advice and experience among districts; and according to District Law (14-32-8-6) provide direction in the administration of the Clean Water Indiana Fund.

### ***A Partnership agreement for program***

In order to insure its sustainability, the District Capacity 5 Star program needs the continued support of the Indiana Conservation Partnership. Whether formal or informal, the ICP will recognize this program as a tool to build district capacity, cooperate to identify and fill missing gaps and services, and leverage opportunities for funding such services.



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To foster cooperation and accountability, each member of the Partnership will designate a liaison to a newly formed “District Capacity 5 Star Program” committee to fulfill the agency’s commitment to this program.

## ***A website***

- The District Capacity 5 Star Program webpage will be hosted and maintained on the ICP website (which is hosted on the IASWCD website)
- All components of this program will be housed on this website to the extent possible.
- ICP partners should maintain a link from their agency website to the ICP website.

## ***District Capacity 5 Star Program Committee***

The committee will be comprised of at least one appointee from each member of the ICP. The Committee will:

- Establish evaluation criteria, reviewing and updating as necessary
- Identify missing gaps and services needed
- Determine funding resources needed
- Communicate on a regular basis with the ICP leaders and the SSCB regarding funding and service needs.
- Appoint subcommittees for specific work as needed

## ***Identify missing gaps and services needed***

The District Capacity 5 Star Program consists of five elements: Supervisor Development, Administration/Accountability, Strategic Program Development & Implementation, Conservation Effectiveness, and Professional Staff Development. Each of these elements has identified existing resources, information, data, and training. However, additional service or resource needs will need to be identified.

## ***Communication of Program to Districts***

Effective communication is vital to the success of the District Capacity 5 Star Program. Districts will need to be kept informed and up to date on the program, along with understanding its importance, how they should use/apply the elements, track the elements, and evaluate each year.

## ***Budget and funding sources***

The District Capacity 5 Star program will require resources. The Committee will develop a detailed proposed budget for the elements based on the needs at any one time. The Committee should focus on 1-3 year increments for funding opportunities. It is expected that ICP cooperation, CWI funding, and outside grant sources will be utilized for this program.

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## *An evaluation system*

An evaluation system for each element will be critical to the success and accountability of the District Capacity 5 Star Program. It will be important for the evaluation system to be easily communicated and shared with the ICP, legislators, local officials, and the general public.

## **TIMELINE**

<b>Timeline</b>	<b>Benchmark</b>	<b>Notes and Actions</b>
November 2009	SSCB support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Make presentation at Nov. 10 SSCB mtg</li> </ul>
December 2009	ICP support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Distribute white paper before ICP leader's mtg.</li> <li>▪ Hold discussion at ICP leader's mtg.</li> </ul>
December 2009	Website up and running	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Make all necessary changes</li> </ul>
February 2010	Committee assigned	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Each partner identifies a committee person</li> </ul>
March-May 2010	Roll-out of program to Districts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Various communication avenues used to provide information to Districts</li> </ul>
March 2010	Committee meets for first time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Committee to begin identifying missing gaps, services and resources</li> </ul>
May 2010	Draft budget for elements developed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪</li> </ul>
June 2010	Budget presentation to SSCB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Presentation to SSCB for consideration in next CWI budget cycle</li> </ul>
July 2010	Subcommittee assignments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪</li> </ul>

## **CHALLENGES AND POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS**

The current ICP Leadership Development Workgroup has already spent considerable time and energy in developing the District Capacity 5 Star Program. Making the commitment to implement and sustain this program will take continued time and effort of various agency staff over the next few years, but will yield a beneficial program for increasing the capacity of local soil and water conservation districts.

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The following is a list of currently foreseen challenges with implementing this program. It is essential that each Partnership agency be aware of the commitment being made.

- Commitment by Partnership staff will be required to serve on the committee and potential subcommittees for a variety of duties.
- Annual financial commitment through CWI program and/or ICP is essential to success.
- Other

## **SOLUTIONS**

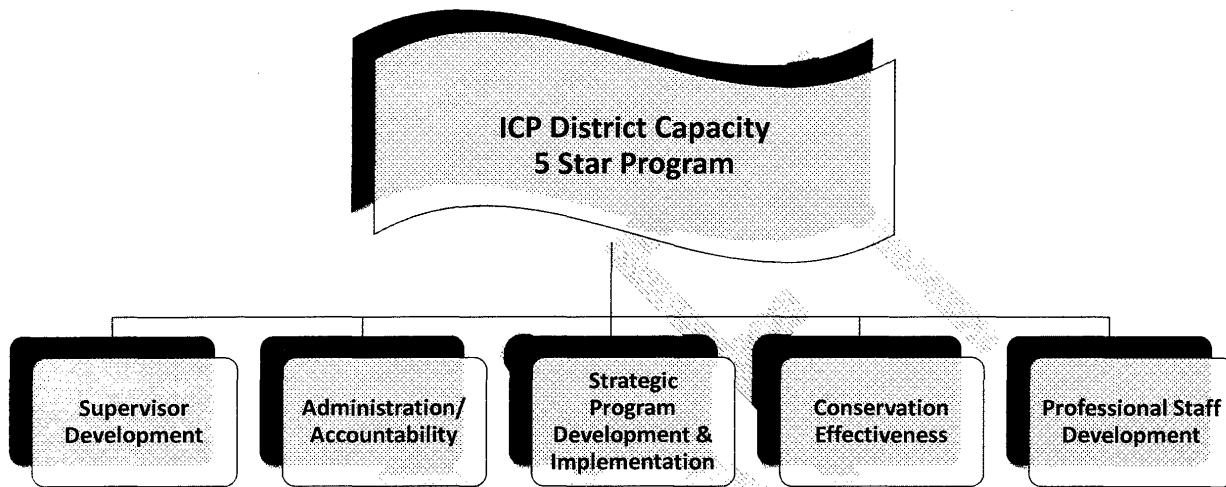
The District Capacity 5 Star Program will only be a success with the support, leadership, and potential funding by the SSCB and ICP leaders. Significant work has already been completed on this project and it is ready to be implemented. Timely and consistent communication with Districts will be needed.

Each partner will need to assign a member to the Committee and allow the time for the Committee to function.

The Committee will have to have support from ICP Leaders to acquire the help of additional employees and staff specialists to implement this project. The Committee itself will not have all the skills to develop everything, but will provide the leadership in getting the job done.

## **NEXT STEPS**

1. Support of project by the SSCB and ICP leaders
2. Get website up and running
3. Appointment of a committee to oversee the program



Supervisor Development: Provides leadership and capacity training for current local soil and water conservation district supervisors (and associates) in order for them to become more fully engaged and knowledgeable in their positions.

Administration/Accountability: Provides operational training for local soil and water conservation district supervisors and staff in order for them to be in compliance with state standards and to be accountable for public funding.

Strategic Program Development & Implementation: Provides strategic program development and implementation tools so Districts can successfully deliver their local conservation programs.

Conservation Effectiveness: Provides tools, resources and information on conservation technology and assessment so Districts can successfully implement appropriate technological and innovative practices for their customers.

Professional Staff Development: Provides job specific training for District technical, managerial and education personnel.

## IDEM REPORT, WATERSHED PLANNING BRANCH

Submitted by Marylou Renshaw

November 10, 2009

Activities (September and October)

### STORM WATER PROGRAM

#### OUTREACH ACTIVITIES:

##### Upcoming:

A webinar to discuss the revised Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between IDEM and the SWCDs will be held on Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup> from 9-noon. Representatives from the SSCB, IDOA, IASWCD & IDEM will review the different levels of participation and the process for adopting the MOU. Materials have been sent to the partners and will be posted on the IASWCD website along with instructions for the webinar.

##### Conducted:

- **Storm Water staff are participating in an inspectors forum** that is held every two months. This meeting is organized by a sub-committee of the Indiana Association of Floodplain and Storm Water Management (INAFSM).
- **Several initiatives are underway with INDOT staff**, including several committees and a Joint Transportation Research Project (JTRP). The intent of this effort is to address storm water issues associated with INDOT construction projects. Topics of discussion include adoption of storm water measures, policy and procedures, and contractor certification.
- **Municipal Management Institute (MMI)** – Indiana Association of Cities and Towns (Presentation focused on post-construction runoff control measures.
- **Indiana Association of Floodplain and Stormwater Management (INAFSM) Annual Conference** – Staff presented on various aspects of storm water that addressed issues from all three program areas (Rule 5, 6, and 13).

#### PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT AND INITIATIVES:

- **New database and online submittal of Notice of Intent**s development continues. IDEM is currently addressing requirements of EPA to accept electronic signatures. .

#### MS4 PROGRAM UPDATE:

- **Staff continues to conduct audits of the MS4 entities.** To date, **83 audits** (includes MS4 and those that are co-permitted) have been completed for the Public Education, Public Involvement, and Good Housekeeping Minimum Control Measures. The Storm Water Specialists have completed **64 audits** of the Construction Run-Off Minimum Control Measure. There are 189 MS4 entities and 143 permits to account for those MS4s that are co-permitted.

#### RULE 6 PROGRAM UPDATE:

- Currently there are 3,231 permits associated with Industrial Operations exposed to storm water.
- Compliance:
  - Inspections: 18
  - Violation Letters: 1
  - Enforcement Referrals: 0

#### RULE 5 PROGRAM UPDATE:

- Compliance:
  - Inspections: 96
  - Violation Letters: 12
  - Enforcement Referrals: 0

#### WATERSHED SPECIALISTS TEAM

Currently assisting over 70 watershed groups

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES: **3 Watershed Networking Sessions-** "Managing Runoff in Indiana: Modified vs. Natural Systems". Dec 1- Albion, Dec 2- Terre Haute, Dec 3-Seymour.

#### **Active WS Team Projects**

- **Watershed Resource Toolkit-** Indiana Watershed Planning Guide (IWPG) content revisions are complete and document sent to Media and Communications for technical writer to polish.

#### **Program Coordination**

- **NPS/TMDL- WSS** met with NPS staff to develop instructions for revising/updating Watershed Management Plans
- **ISDH- WSS** hosted ISDH Environmental Public Health Division field staff at our team meeting to learn more about their education and outreach efforts
- **ICP -WSS-** Worked with an inter-agency team to submit a white paper on conversations related to the ICP Conservation Technical Training and Certification Program for the ICP leadership's consideration.

#### **NONPOINT SOURCE/TMDL SECTION**

- The 2009 annual report for the Section 319 Program was submitted to EPA the first week of October. In addition to the updates on grant projects and NPS efforts by the Partners, it included a success story for the reduction of *E. coli* in Clifty Creek, Bartholomew County to meet water quality standards. This success is due to the watershed approach, which involves various stakeholders and partners working together to achieve water quality.
- Technical review of the Section 319 applications for 2010 is underway.

#### **305(B)/303(D) INTEGRATED WATER QUALITY ASSESSMENTS ACTIVITY**

- **Notice of Comment (NOC) for 2010 Draft 303(d) List of Impaired Waters**, (published in the Indiana Register October 28<sup>th</sup>), which includes a description of all the proposed changes to the approved 2008 303(d) list, the 2010 Draft 303(d) List, and the Consolidated Assessment and Listing Methodology used to develop the 303(d) list. It can be found on IDEM's website at the following:
- **ORSANCO meeting** was held to discuss assessment methodologies for the Ohio River and with the goal of achieving as much consistency as possible among the member states in how 305(b) assessment results and 303(d) listings are reported.

**NRCS State Conservationist Report  
State Soil Conservation Board Meeting  
November 2009**

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**Local Food and Agriculture Council (FAC)**

NRCS District Conservationists will continue to chair the local FAC through December 31, 2009. FSA County Executive Directors will begin their term as FAC chair January 1, 2010. Districts are encouraged to work with their District Conservationist to participate in their FAC meetings.

**Local Workgroups**

As the 2010 NRCS program year approaches Local Workgroups will be asked to convene to discuss county priority resource concerns. SWCDs are directed by legislative statute to lead these workgroups so all resource concerns are identified and prioritized. More information and guidance will be coming soon.

**2010 Service Center Rent**

NRCS is planning to handle 2010 space reimbursement (rent) similar to last year. The current space reimbursement agreements are through Dec 2009. We are working on agreements for calendar year 2010.

**Contribution Agreements**

Thank you to all the SWCDs that offered NRCS assistance through the 2009 Contribution Agreements. We received 39 SWCD agreement proposals and entered into 21 agreements. NRCS intends to support these types of agreements again for FY2010. Please inventory your workload now for 2010 in order to be prepared when NRCS is able to enter into these agreements.

**Support for Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative (CCSI)**

NRCS fully supports the CCSI efforts undertaken by the IASWCD and the State Soil Conservation Board. We encourage Districts to utilize this program to assist their producers in adopting a productive cropping system.

**Partnering to Implement Conservation Practices**

Last year the Conservation Implementation Teams assisted with putting over 39,000 practices on the land. There are already almost 23,300 practices scheduled to be installed for FY2010! NRCS thanks the SWCDs for supporting the CIT structure that allows so much conservation to go on the land. NRCS also appreciates anything the SWCDs can do to support local technicians to assist with this workload.