The Stormwater Improvements Program (SIP) is administered by the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs (OCRA) to assist Indiana communities that suffer from flooded property and sewer backups and flooding due to inadequate stormwater management. SIP is funded with Federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) dollars.

About the Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG): Rural communities have many pressing needs that require outside financial assistance. Through OCRA, Indiana requests CDBG dollars from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). OCRA then administers funding to rural communities, allocating it to programs that promote livable communities, address unmet community development needs and promote activities that enhance local economic development efforts. Assistance is available to non-entitlement cities, incorporated towns and counties.

Stormwater Improvements Program Goals

- Reduce flooding.
- Cut stormwater treatment and energy costs.
- Protect rivers, lakes and vital landscape.
- Generate jobs and spur economic revitalization.

Eligibility Requirements

- The project should be a part of the community’s overall strategy.
- Eligibility is subject to Low-to-Moderate Income (LMI) % and beneficiary requirements.
- Projects must meet a national objective, be an eligible activity under the CDBG program, and comply with applicable state and federal laws and regulations.

Contact your OCRA Community Liaison with questions at www.in.gov/ocra

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