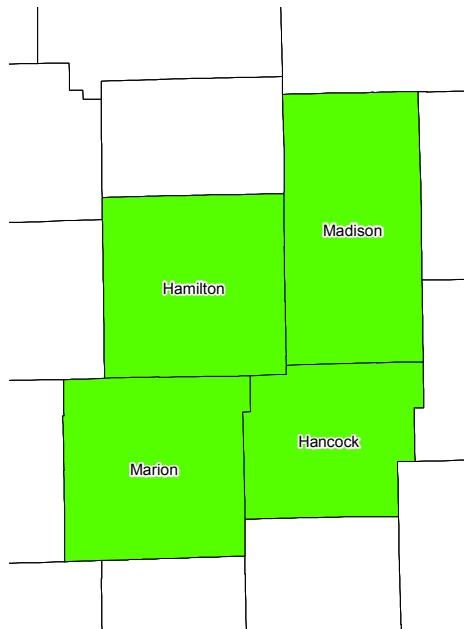




# Clean Water Indiana 2016 Competitive Grants



There are three reasons to expand a water quality conservation program into the urban areas of four central Indiana counties with funding for practices. The first reason is pollution. Urban communities have a smaller foot print but still contribute to water pollution. Secondly, Votes. If conservation programs expect to have continued funding the urban population needs to have a good understanding of the goals and objectives of improving water quality. Lastly, the urban community is already paying stormwater fees, higher lot prices for Rule 5 requirements, increased sewer fees, additional drinking water costs and annual assessments for maintaining practices. This program offers a voluntary response with financial and technical help.



## LEAD DISTRICT:

Hamilton

## COLLABORATING DISTRICTS:

Hancock, Madison, Marion

## PROJECT NAME:

Enhancement of Soil Health and  
Water Quality on Agricultural/  
Urban Land

## PROJECT DATES:

1/1/2016 - 12/31/2018

## PROJECT AMOUNT:

\$75,000

## Program Overview

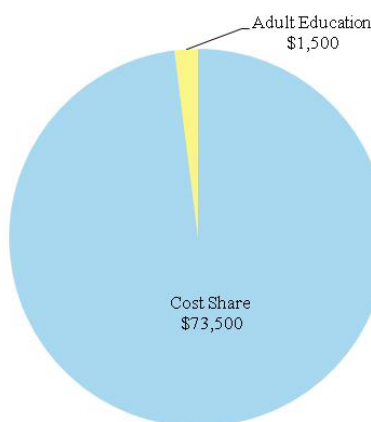
The Clean Water Indiana (CWI) Program (IC 14-32-8) was established to provide financial assistance to landowners and Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs).

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

## Program Administration

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

Total Funds Awarded:



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

## Key Partners:

- MS4 Stormwater Coordinators
- Purdue Master Gardner Program
- Indiana Wildlife Federation
- Spence Nursery
- White River Watershed Alliance

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