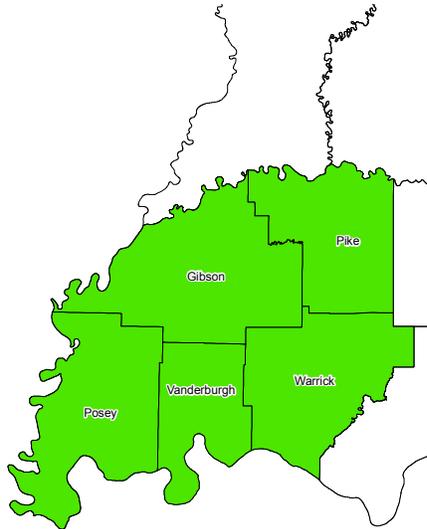




Clean Water Indiana 2016 Competitive Grants



The five participating SWCDs have each established a long running and highly successful cost share program that offers financial incentives to producers in each county who participate in best management practices that reduce soil erosion and nutrient loading of surface and ground waters. With these grant funds, the partnership looks to continue our District programs while giving special consideration to the thousands of acres of Highly Erodible Land (HEL) with an emphasis to improve the soil health and water quality on this type of ground that is becoming more of an issue as our climate changes.



Program Overview

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

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

Program Administration

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

LEAD DISTRICT:
Warrick
COLLABORATING DISTRICTS:
Gibson, Pike, Posey, Vanderburgh
PROJECT NAME:
SW IN Conservation Cost Share Cooperative
PROJECT DATES:
1/1/2016 - 12/31/2018
PROJECT AMOUNT:
\$75,000

Total Funds Awarded:



Key Partners:

- NRCS
- CCSI
- The Nature Conservancy
- Alcoa

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

