

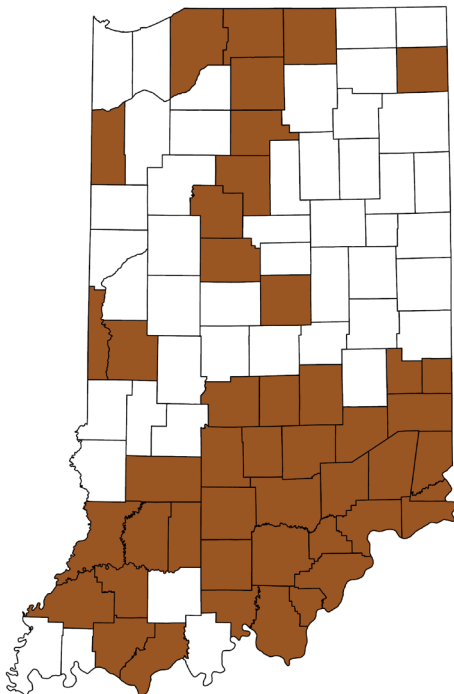
CLEAN WATER INDIANA 2023 COMPETITIVE GRANTS



GRANTS OVERVIEW

Grant funds are being utilized by Soil and Water Conservation Districts across Indiana for locally driven programs focusing on themes such as education, livestock, row crops, and building district capacity. Funded projects include cost share programs, staffing for technical assistance and project coordination, equipment, educational displays, field days and outreach programs. Grant funds are also being utilized by The Nature Conservancy to support Indiana's Cover Crop Premium Discount Program and the Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts to support the Urban Soil Health Program.

Projects can be up to three years in length and grantees could apply for any dollar amount that was necessary to complete the project. Funded projects ranged from \$10,000 to \$300,000. In addition to CWI funds, each grantee is required to produce a match for their project, which can be cash or in-kind. Projects requesting staffing were required to have a 25% match for that component, while all other project areas required a 50% match. Many SWCDs will target producers not currently served by other conservation programs.



QUICK FACTS

Proposal Statistics

Total Proposals: 49

Total Funds Requested:

\$4,570,938.18

Total SWCDs and

Organizations Represented: 61

Award Statistics

Total Grants: 26

Total Funds Awarded:

\$2,313,287

Total SWCDs and

Organizations Represented: 48

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Clean Water Indiana (CWI) Program (IC 14-32-8) was established to provide financial assistance to landowners and conservation groups. 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.

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.



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Clean Water Indiana was established by statute. (IC 14-32-8)

For more information about CWI and past and present grant summaries, please see: <https://www.in.gov/isda/divisions/soil-conservation/clean-water-indiana>.

For more information about the State Soil Conservation Board, please see: <https://www.in.gov/isda/boards/state-soil-conservation-board>.

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