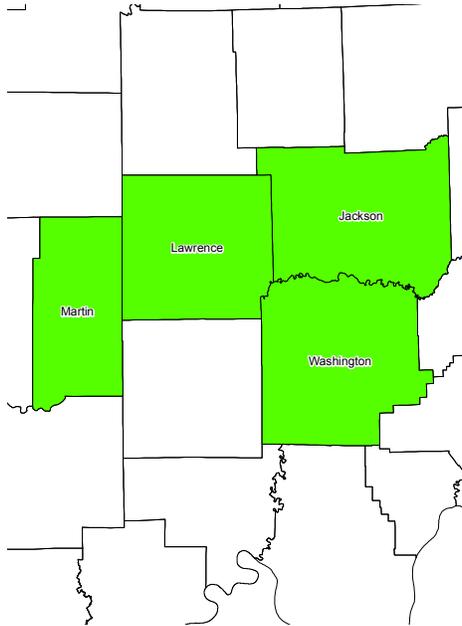




Clean Water Indiana 2016 Competitive Grants



The districts will be uniting forces to help improve water quality and reduce soil quality degradation. Crop and pasture land make up a large majority of the acres. With extreme soil loss created by erosion, the depletion of organic matter, and treacherous amounts of nutrients and pesticides entering our water supply; devastating effects are being seen, specifically in the Gulf of Mexico. Among this group, similar resource concerns are present. Cover crops and forage and biomass plantings are crucial to reduce and ultimately halt these pollutants leading to soil quality degradation and water quality impairments. The participating districts will assist landowners by providing cost share dollars for soil testing, cover crops and forage and biomass plantings.



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).

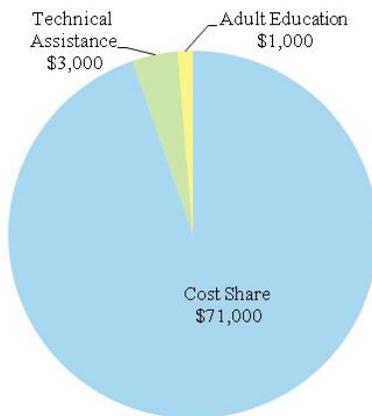
Through education, technical assistance, training, and cost sharing programs, the program supports the implementation of conservation practices which will reduce nonpoint sources of water pollution. CWI also provides matching funds for Indiana's Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) and the 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:
Lawrence
COLLABORATING DISTRICTS:
Jackson, Martin, Washington
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

Total Funds Awarded:



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.

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