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Clean Water Indiana (CWI) Program

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The Clean Water Indiana legislation (IC 14-32-8) was passed by Indiana's Legislators in 1999. At the time, \$1 million per year in 2001 & 2002 was appropriated through the Build Indiana Fund (BIF). However, the 2002 dollars were reverted back into the BIF. The CWI program remained unfunded until 2005 when a unanimous vote restructured Indiana's conservation dollars and set aside dedicated funding from the cigarette tax to finance the CWI program.

Who Administers the CWI Program?

The Indiana State Department of Agriculture, Division of Soil Conservation administers the CWI fund under the direction of the State Soil Conservation Board (SSCB).

Funding Issues

Indiana continues to lag behind its Midwestern counterparts in funding. As other states maximize federal and state dollars year after year, Indiana falls behind, even though our need for conservation still continues.

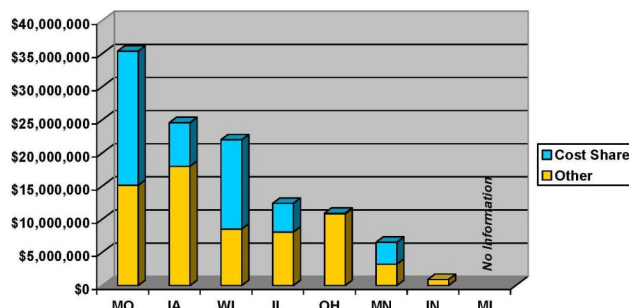
Indiana needs an increase in state funds to leverage federal programs and build a strong local soil and water conservation district (SWCD) capacity to work with landowners and implement conservation practices.

CWI 2011-2013 Budget

Governor's proposal:
\$3,116,462

SWCD Request:
\$3,666,425 (historical level)

Total 2005 State Funding Appropriations to Conservation Districts per State



This graph depicts state funding appropriated to conservation districts in the Midwest.

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