

2019 ANNUAL REPORT



TIPPECANOE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

SUPERVISORS AND STAFF

The official governing body of a Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) consists of five supervisors. Three supervisors are elected (one each year for a three year term) at a district annual meeting. Two are appointed (also for staggered three year terms) by the State Soil Conservation Board based on recommendations of the current supervisors in the district. As a result, the selection of all five supervisors is based on local input and through election of the local people they serve.

SWCD Board of Supervisors:

Curt Vanderkleed, Chairman ~ Elected - Term Expires 2021
Michael Strasburger, Vice Chairman ~ Elected - Term Expires 2020
Melody Clouser, Supervisor ~ Appointed - Term Expires 2021
Doug Osborn, Supervisor ~ Elected - Term Expires 2022
Sally Unser, Supervisor ~ Appointed - Term Expires 2023

SWCD Staff:

Angie Miller, Rural Conservationist
Chris Remley, District Administrator



Partnership Staff:

Mark Eastman, District Conservationist
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Katie Fagan, Soil Conservationist
USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service

Margaux Zook, Conservation Aide
Purdue University Federal Work-Study Student



We are pleased to reflect on our accomplishments of 2019 that follow and hope that you enjoy your fellowship with others who share our commitment to Tippecanoe County's natural resources. These resources sustain our economy and provide the quality of life we seek in clean air, water and soil.

TIPPECANOE SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Our Mission:

The Tippecanoe County Soil and Water Conservation District is committed to provide quality technical, educational, and informational resources for the community through leadership, service, and citizen involvement to foster natural resource conservation and environmental stewardship.

Our Purpose:

The purpose of a Soil and Water Conservation District is to provide information about soil, water and related natural resource conservation; to identify and prioritize local soil and water resource concerns; to implement conservation practices and technologies, and to connect land users to educational, technical and financial assistance from local organizations and state and federal agencies.

Because each Conservation District develops its own programs to suit the needs of the people in its county, local citizens play an important role, and each district serves as a means for all interested people in a county to work together for natural resource conservation and development.

Our Vision for Tippecanoe County:

- **Stable Soils**
- **Clean Streams & Water Resources**
- **Sustainable Communities**

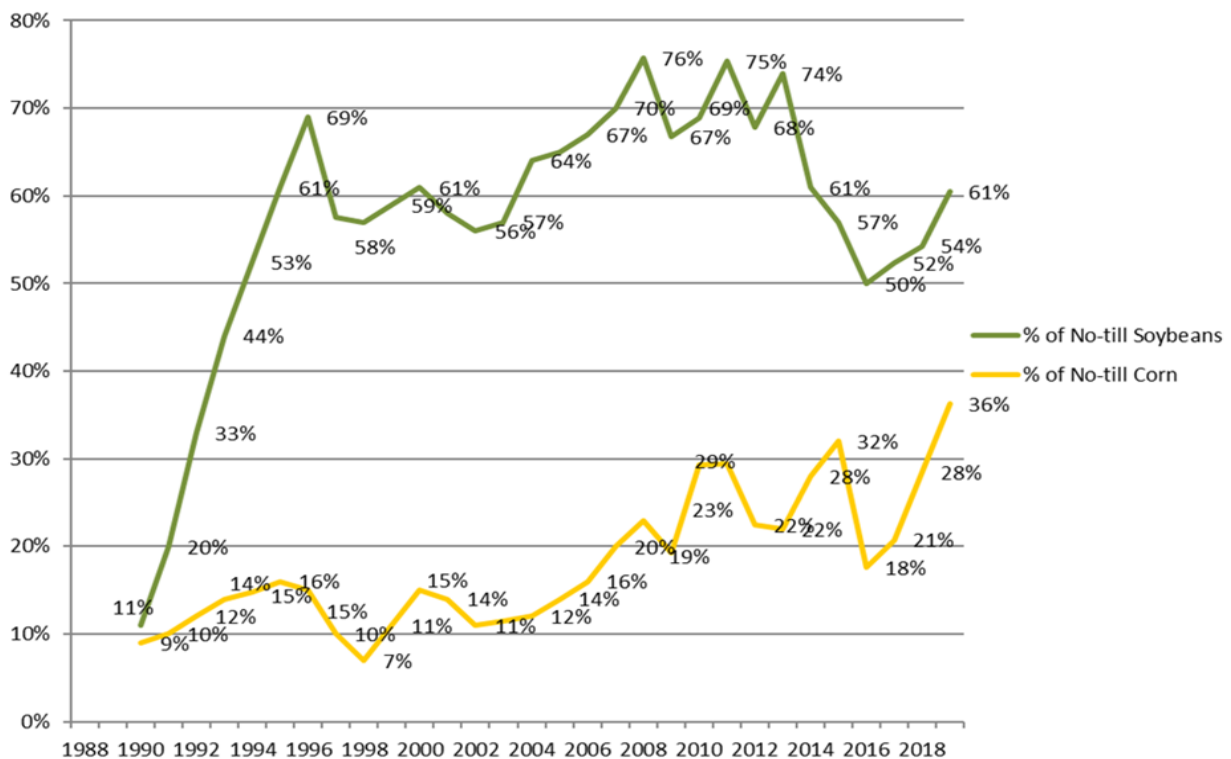
STABLE SOILS AND SOIL QUALITY

RESOURCE CONCERN — SOIL EROSION & SEDIMENTATION

Our Goal: No-till practices shall be increased by 2,500 acres from 84,127 acres in 2014 to 86,627 acres in Tippecanoe County by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- **Increased no-till acres by 5,523 acres from 2015-2019**
- Performed annual tillage transect
- Conducted site visits with landowners promoting conservation systems on an ongoing basis
- Promotion of no-till as part of conservation cropping system through website and social media
- Promotion of no-till and soil health at :
 - Little Wea Creek “MRBI and Pie” outreach meetings (MRBI - Mississippi River Basin Initiative) from 2015-2016
 - Cover Crop “Root Dig” event in 2016
 - 4-H Fair “Soil Health” displays from 2015-2016
 - “Women Caring for the Land” events from 2015-2019

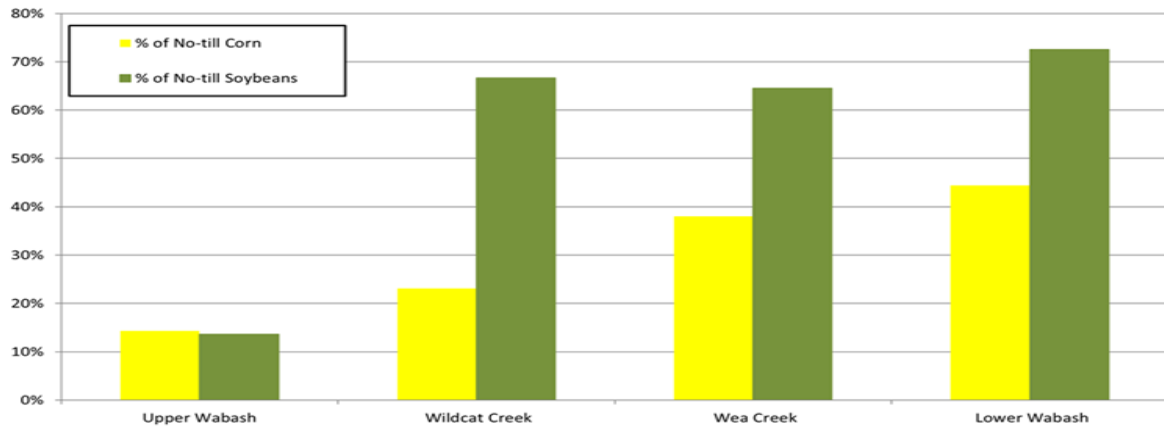
**% No-till Corn and Soybeans in Tippecanoe County
1990-2019**



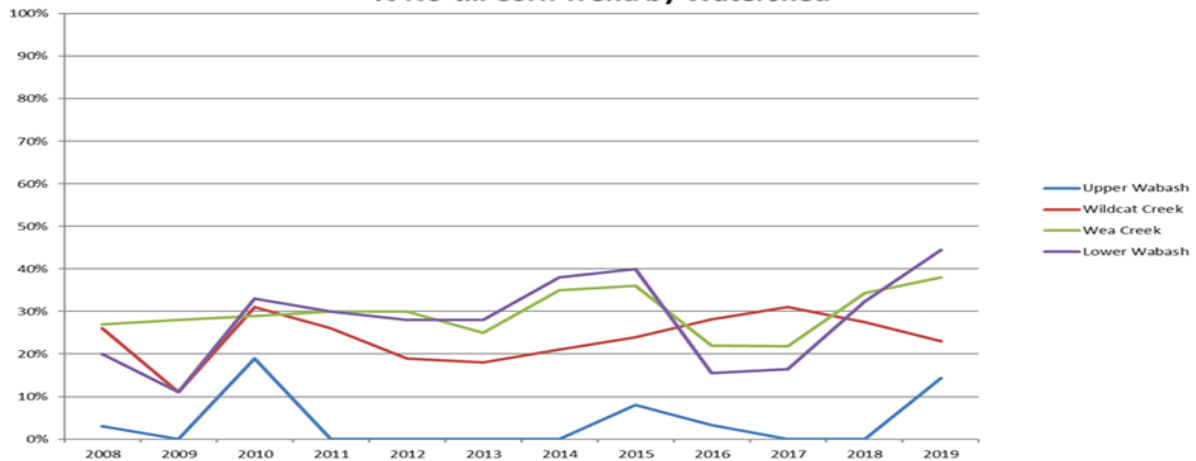
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ADDITIONAL NO-TILL GRAPHS:

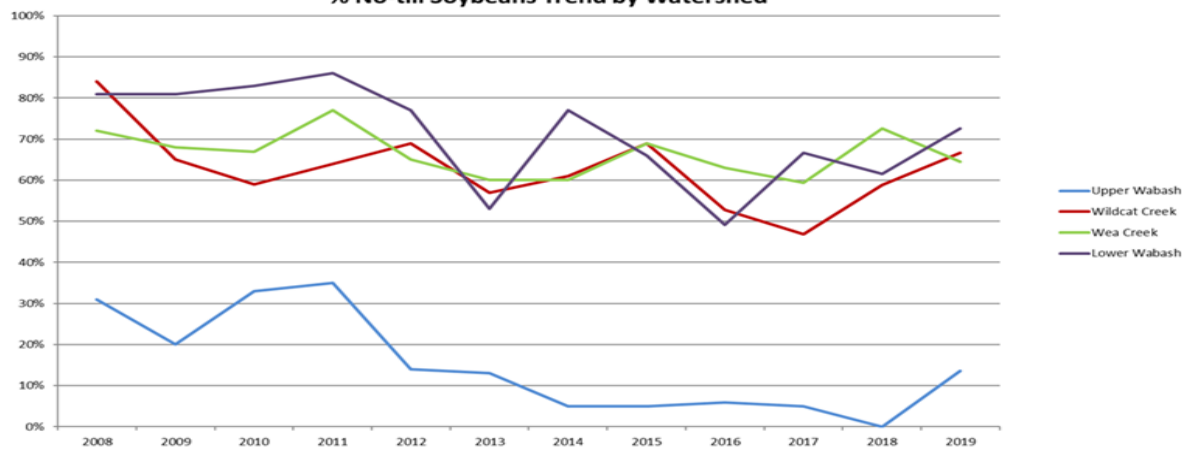
Percent No-till Corn and Soybeans by Watershed in Tippecanoe County, IN 2019



% No-till Corn Trend by Watershed



% No-till Soybeans Trend by Watershed



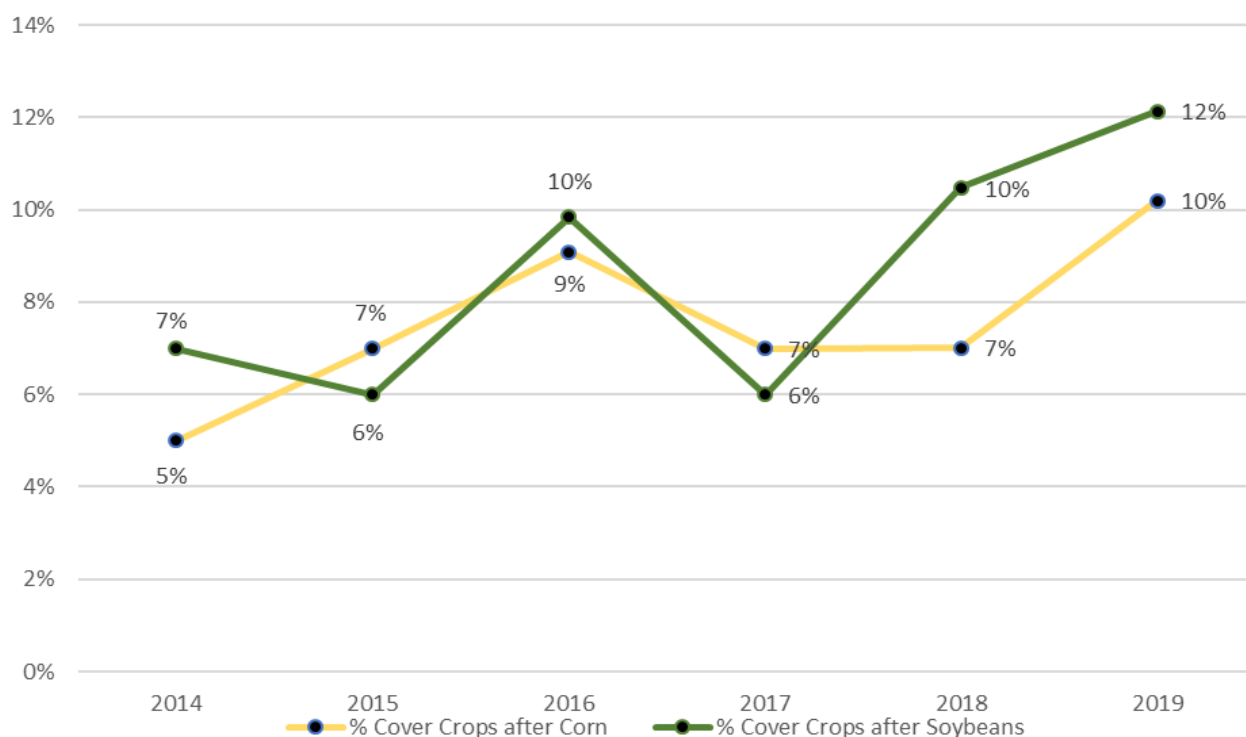
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RESOURCE CONCERN — SOIL EROSION & SEDIMENTATION

Our Goal: Cover crops shall be increased by 3,000 acres from 11,523 acres in 2014 to 14,523 acres in Tippecanoe County by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- **Increased cover crop acres by 8,257 acres between 2015-2019**
- Conducted annual cover crop transect
- Conducted site visits with landowners promoting conservation systems on an ongoing basis
- Promotion of use of cover crops through 2019 SWCD cost-share program, targeting both prevent plant and fall seeded cover crops
 - Cost-share program - 390.53 acres
- Promotion of cover crops and soil health at :
 - Little Wea Creek “MRBI and Pie” outreach meetings from 2015-2016
 - Cover Crop “Root Dig” event in 2016
 - 4-H Fair “Soil Health” displays from 2015-2017
 - Women in Agriculture Conference in 2018
 - Clean Water Indiana Watershed Grant Recipients from 2016-2018
 - “Women Caring for the Land” events from 2015-2019

Percentage of Cover Crops in Tippecanoe County



STABLE SOILS AND SOIL QUALITY

RESOURCE CONCERN — SOIL EROSION & SEDIMENTATION

Our Goal: Identify fifty (50) erosive areas for stabilization by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- *Conducted 63 site visits with landowners from 2015-2019 to discuss soil stabilization options*
- *Distributed "Residential Guide for Soils, Drainage & Erosion Control" that highlights streambank stabilization and other conservation best management practices*

RESOURCE CONCERN — SOIL QUALITY AND RESILIENCE

Our Goal: One hundred twenty five landowners will be educated to improve soil quality and resilience by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- *192 landowners educated one-on-one between 2015-2019*
- *Promotion of the importance of soil health and conservation cropping systems through website and social media*
- *Promotion of the use of soil health as part of a conservation cropping system at :*
 - *Little Wea Creek "MRBI and Pie" outreach meetings (MRBI - Mississippi River Basin Initiative) - 18 landowners from 2015-2016*
 - *Cover Crop "Root Dig" event - 20 landowners in 2016*
 - *Annual Meeting Hugh Hammond Bennett presentation - 72 attendees - 2018*
 - *"Women Caring for the Land" events - 82 landowners from 2015-2019*
 - *4-H Fair "Soil Health" displays - 2015-2017*



CLEAN STREAMS AND WATER RESOURCES

RESOURCE CONCERN — EXCESS CHEMICALS, NUTRIENTS, PATHOGENS & SEDIMENTATION

Our Goal: One hundred twenty five acres of buffers will be installed by 2020.
What we've accomplished...

- *112 acres installed from 2015-2019*
- *Promoted installation of buffers as part of the 2015-2016 Mississippi River Basin Initiative outreach meetings "MRBI and Pie", 2015-2017 Women's Conservation Learning Circles, 2017 Forestry and Wildlife Habitat Field Day, 2017 Indiana Master Naturalist program; 2018 Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) filter strip meeting, and 2018 Learn-To-Burn: Grassland Management Workshop*

Our Goal: Fifty (50) landowners will be educated on streambank stabilization by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- *Conducted 55 site visits with landowners, primarily along the Wildcat Creek, to discuss streambank stabilization options from 2015-2019*
- *Distributed "Residential Guide for Soils, Drainage & Erosion Control" that highlights streambank stabilization and other conservation best management practices*

Our Goal: Twenty (20) Landowners who are located in high manure application areas will be educated on best management practices by 2020.
What we've accomplished...

- *Provided educational materials and information to twenty (20) landowners in high manure application areas from 2015-2019*

Our Goal: Two hundred (200) Landowners will be educated on best management practices to address excess chemicals, nutrients, pathogens and sedimentation by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- *155 landowners educated one-on one between 2015-2019*
- *Promotion of best management practices to address excess chemicals, nutrients, pathogens and sediment at:*
 - *Little Wea Creek "MRBI and Pie" outreach meeting (MRBI - Mississippi River Basin Initiative) - 18 landowners from 2015-2016*
 - *Cover Crop "Root Dig - 20 landowners in 2016*
 - *Indiana Master Naturalist program - 15 landowners in 2017*
 - *CREP Filter Strip meeting - 20 landowners in 2018*
 - *"Women Caring for the Land" events - 82 landowners from 2015-2019*
 - *4-H Fair "Soil Health" display - 2015-2017*

CLEAN STREAMS AND WATER RESOURCES

RESOURCE CONCERN — STORMWATER RUNOFF

Our Goal: Participate in four (4) community events to promote best management practices to reduce stormwater runoff by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- *Participated in a minimum of (5) community events annually*
- *Conducted Spring Native Plant Sale*
- *Conducted Fall Native Tree and Shrub Sale*
- *Promotion and distribution of Residential Guide for Soils, Drainage, and Erosion Control at Outdoor Explore! annually*
- *4-H Fair "Water Quality" display in 2017*
- *Indiana Master Naturalist Program Water Quality Session in 2017 & 2019*
- *Connecting your Classroom to our Indiana State River - 2018 Educators' Workshop*



Indiana
Master Naturalist



Outdoor Explore!



Spring Plant Sale

SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

RESOURCE CONCERN - WILDLIFE HABITAT LOSS, DEGRADATION & FRAGMENTATION

Our Goal: Three hundred twenty five (325) acres of wildlife and pollinator habitat will be installed in Tippecanoe County by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- **Installed 1,149 acres of wildlife and pollinator habitat from 2015-2019**
- *Promoted native pollinators and habitat creation at Forestry & Wildlife Habitat Field Day, Outdoor Explore!; Women Caring for the Land; Learn-To-Burn: Grassland Management Workshop; Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program (CREP) filter strip meeting; and through website and social media*
- *Supported Million Pollinator Garden Challenge through promotion and sale of native plants*
- *Developed pollinator garden at Cole Elementary School in 2015*
- *Developed pollinator garden at Battle Field Park in 2016 and installed native plants along pathway at Battle Field Park in 2018, in cooperation with Tippecanoe County Park & Recreation Department & Battle Ground Intermediate School*
- *Developed pollinator plantings at Bicentennial Nature Area in 2018*
- *Developed and funded pollinator planting at Tippecanoe County Amphitheater*

RESOURCE CONCERN - INVASIVE SPECIES

Our Goal: Three hundred (300) landowners will be educated about the negative impacts of invasive species by 2020. **What we've accomplished...**

- **426 landowners educated one-on-one between 2015-2019**
- **Movie Theater Advertising 2018-2019 - 590,985 Delivered Impressions**
- *Forestry & Wildlife Field Day - 18 participants in 2017*
- *Learn-To-Burn: Grassland Management Workshop - 16 participants in 2018*
- *10 landowners enrolled 221 acres in the Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP) to address invasive species from 2015-2018*
- *Indiana Master Naturalist Program - 40 participants from 2015, 2017, & 2019*
- *"Women Caring for the Land" events - 82 landowners from 2015-2019*
- *Tippecanoe Invasive Cooperative Task Force - 20 Events with 130 in attendance - 2018-2019*
- *Riverfest - 2015*
- *Greater Lafayette Home and Garden Show - 2015*
- *4-H Fair Invasive Species display - 2018*
- *Outdoor Explore! Event - 2015-2019*
- *Website/social media outreach - 2015-2019*
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2019 SPECIAL EVENTS AND PROGRAMS

“AT A GLANCE”

SEVEN (7) ADULT CONSERVATION FIELD DAYS, WORKSHOPS, AND EVENTS IN 2019 WITH APPROXIMATELY 1775 PARTICIPANTS

- *Annual Meeting (80)*
- *Spring Sampling Blitz (100)*
- *Logan’s Garden (75)*
- *Outdoor Explore (400)*
- *4-H Fair (1000)*
- *Indiana Master Naturalist Program (20)*
- *Fall Sampling Blitz (100)*



THREE (3) YOUTH CONSERVATION EDUCATION PROGRAMS, PRESENTATIONS AND EVENTS IN 2019 WITH APPROXIMATELY 625 PARTICIPANTS



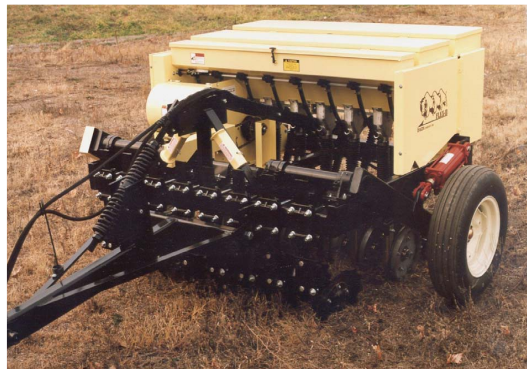
- *Logan’s Garden (50)*
- *Battle Ground Rafting Program (200)*
- *Outdoor Explore (375)*

SALE ITEMS - CONTAINER TREES, NATIVE PLANT PLUGS AND SEEDS, FLAGS, AND PLAT BOOKS - ONE HUNDRED FORTY-NINE (149) CUSTOMER SALES IN OFFICE

EQUIPMENT RENTAL - TWENTY FOUR (24) RENTALS OF HAND SEEDERS, BACKPACK SPRAYERS AND NO-TILL DRILL RENTALS IN 2019



APPROXIMATELY 2575 FACE-TO-FACE EDUCATION, IN-OFFICE, AND OUTREACH CONTACTS IN 2019. THESE NUMBERS DO NOT INCLUDE SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH.



ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

February 27, 2019

The Tippecanoe County Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Meeting was held on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at the Wright Forestry Center, 1007 North 725 West, West Lafayette, Indiana.

After dinner was served at 6:00 p.m., the meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m. by SWCD Chairman, Josh Cox. Participants were provided information on the meeting's agenda, and supervisor and staff introductions were made. Following introductions, Cox recommended that in the interest of time, the actual reading of the 2018 Annual Meeting Minutes and Financial Report be foregone and requested a motion to accept both as presented. Said motion was made and seconded, carrying unanimously.

At this time, the Election Committee was recognized along with elected supervisor nominee, Doug Osborn. Osborn provided information about his background and discussed his interest in serving as a SWCD supervisor. Supervisor Michael Strasburger presided over the supervisor election calling for nominations from the floor. A motion was made and seconded that nominations be closed, carrying unanimously. With only one nominee, a written ballot was not required. By a simple show of hands with the majority voting in favor of Doug Osborn's nomination, he was duly elected for a three-year term, expiring in 2022.

SWCD conservation awards were then presented, beginning with the 2018 Conservation Stewardship Award. This award is a local initiative to provide recognition to a producer or landowner who has recently adopted conservation practice(s) which improve soil and water resources. Kevin Underwood was selected as our winner. The 2018 River Friendly Farmer award was presented to Weldon Vaughn. This award recognizes farmers, who through good production management practices helps keep Indiana's rivers, lakes and streams clean. Next, the 2018 Friend of Conservation award went to Sharon Watson of White County SWCD posthumously for natural resource and agricultural education efforts within her lifetime. The award was accepted by her husband, Clay Watson, and family. In addition, a legacy tree will be planted in her honor.

Following the awards, Amber Slaughterbeck, Indiana Invasives Initiative Regional Specialist gave a presentation entitled, "Indiana Invasives and their Alternatives" providing information on invasive species and what is underway locally to address the problem. At the conclusion of the presentation, Tippecanoe County Council Member, Bryan Metzger came forward to assist with swearing in Doug Osborn as the newly elected Soil and Water Conservation District official.

With no further business at hand, Cox called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made, seconded and carried unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Meeting attendance – 80

Minutes recorded by Chris Remley.

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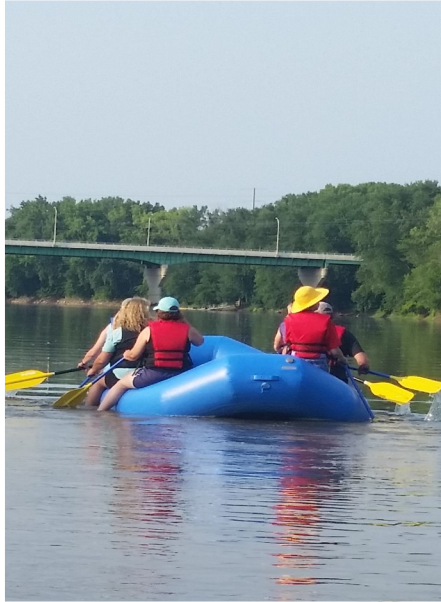
Balance Brought Forward	\$36,359.32
RECEIPTS	
State for District Operations	10,000.00
Clean Water Indiana Grant	6,686.00
County for District Operations	15,000.00
Federal and State Funds (not CWI)	6,075.00
Total Intergovernmental Receipts	37,761.00
Equipment Rental & Farm Income	7,098.20
Donations & Memberships	1.35
Total Charges for Services	7,099.55
Annual Meeting Income	630.00
Interest from Checking, CDs, Savings, Etc.	24.96
Reimbursements & Refunds	2,773.78
Sales Income	93,210.10
Workshop/Field Day Income	1,500.00
Other Miscellaneous Revenue (Sales Tax)	2,289.51
Total Miscellaneous Revenue	100,428.35
Sub-Total (before investment activity)	\$145,288.90
Sale of Investments (CDs, saving accounts, transfers)	\$0.00
TOTAL (balance forward + receipts + investments)	\$181,648.22
DISBURSEMENTS	
Capital Outlays (Equipment)	6,654.65
Annual Meeting Expenses	1,158.96
Conservation Education Programs	16,396.66
Cost-Share Projects/SWCD-Funded	15,124.13
Dues & Subscriptions	3,800.32
Office Supplies	796.98
Other Services & Charges	6,231.03
Postage & Delivery Expenses	773.81
Rent	2,160.00
Repair Expenses	1,758.16
Sales Tax Paid to IN Dept. of Revenue	2,353.14
Supplies for Resale	73,343.52
Telephone or Other Utilities	1,348.24
Travel/Lodging/Mileage/Registration/Meals	349.86
Other Disbursements (Advertising & Marketing)	22,161.66
Other Disbursements (Awards)	332.50
Other Disbursements (Training)	1,685.00
Other Disbursements (Insurance)	2,237.00
Total General Government Disbursements	158,665.62
Sub-Total (before investment activity)	\$158,665.62
Purchase of Investments (CDs saving accounts, transfers)	\$0.00
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS (disbursements + investments)	\$158,665.62
BALANCE AT DECEMBER 31	\$22,982.60
CLAIMS PAID BY COUNTY	
Salaries	\$99,342.88
Fringe	\$35,727.82
Other	0.00
INVESTMENT INVENTORY	
Beginning Investments	50,002.12
Ending Investments	50,002.12
Change (+/-)	0.00
CASH BOXES	
Petty Cash	300.00

TIPPECANOE COUNTY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

*Summary of Conservation Practices Provided by USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service
Fiscal Year 2019 ~ 10/01/18 through 09/30/19*

Summary Conservation Practices	Planned	Applied
Brush Management (314) (ac)	145	106
Composting Facility (317) (sq ft)	948	948
Conservation Cover (327) (ac)	75	347
Conservation Crop Rotation (328) (ac)	5,080	4,860
Cover Crop (340) (ac)	4,545	5,710
Early Successional Habitat Development/Management (647) (ac)	71	15
Fence (382) (ft)	2,010	4,457
Filter Strip (393) (ac)	20	9
Forage and Biomass Planting (512) (ac)	55	69
Forest Stand Improvement (666) (ac)	17	67
Grade Stabilization Structure (410) (no)	4	17
Grassed Waterway (412) (ac)	9	794
Heavy Use Area Protection (561) (sq ft)	1,800	11,200
High Tunnel System (325) (sq ft)	2,160	0
Lined Waterway or Outlet (468) (ft)	40	40
Livestock Pipeline (516) (sq ft)	974	974
Mulching (484) (ac)	9	9
Nutrient Management (590) (ac)	457	457
Pond (378) (no)	1	2
Prescribed Grazing (528) (ac)	7	7
Residue and Tillage Management, No-Till (329) (ac)	374	288
Residue and Tillage Management, Reduced Till (345) (ac)	174	174
Restoration of Rare or Declining Natural Communities (643) (ac)	7	1
Stream Crossing (578) (no)	1	1
Subsurface Drain (606) (ft)	16,010	8,237
Tree/Shrub Establishment (612) (ac)	6	15
Upland Wildlife Habitat Management (645) (ac)	12	12
Water and Sediment Control Basin (638) (no)	8	8
Water Well (642) (no)	1	1
Wetland Restoration (657) (ac)	55	161
Wetland Wildlife Habitat Management (644) (ac)	3	3
Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment (380) (ft)	13,538	13,538

SAVE THE DATES!



Outdoor Explore!

Tippecanoe County Amphitheater

This event is brought to you by "The Power of Partnership", a unique collaboration between the Tippecanoe County Park and Recreation Department and the Tippecanoe County Soil and Water Conservation District.

OUTDOOR EXPLORE!

**A FREE PUBLIC EVENT TO TRY DIFFERENT OUTDOOR
ACTIVITIES AT THE TIPPECANOE COUNTY AMPHITHEATER
AND BICENTENNIAL NATURE AREA JUNE 13, 2020**

CONNECTING YOUR CLASSROOM TO OUR STATE RIVER - EDUCATORS' WORKSHOP

**EDUCATOR'S RAFTING TRIP DOWN THE WABASH RIVER,
PLUS CLASSROOM CURRICULUM JULY 10, 2020**

NATIVE TREE & SHRUB SALE

25 SPECIES OF TREES & SHRUBS AVAILABLE

ORDERS DUE BY SEPTEMBER 24, 2020

NATIVE PLANTS



PRE-ORDERS & MORE INFO: 765-474-9992, ext.3

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**Public sale
at the
Garden
Expo 2020
in Exhibit
Hall**

In cooperation with
Master Gardener Association
of Tippecanoe County

APRIL 25

9 am—3 pm



All programs and services of the Soil and Water Conservation District are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, age, gender, national origin, religion, marital status, or handicap.

RIVER FRIENDLY FARMER - BRYAN SHELBY

The River Friendly Farmer (RFF) statewide initiative recognizes farmers, who through good production management practices help keep Indiana's rivers, lakes and streams clean.



Our award for the Tippecanoe County River Friendly Farmer of the Year goes to Bryan Shelby.

Bryan Shelby is a sixth-generation farmer and is utilizing no-till and cover crops. He uses a nutrient management system, including soil testing and variable rate application of nutrients, which has ensured that the correct amount of nutrients are applied. These practices have reduced erosion and nutrient loss, keeping soil and nutrients on the field instead of washing away.

Congratulations to Bryan as the 2019 recipient of the River Friendly Farmer Award!

CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP - LARRY GAMBLE

This award was created by the Tippecanoe County Soil and Water Conservation District in 2016 and is a local initiative to provide recognition to a producer or landowner who has recently adopted conservation practice(s) which improve soil and water resources.

Larry Gamble farms in the southern part of Tippecanoe County, where he produces corn, soybeans and cattle. His operation utilizes a variety of conservation practices including reduced tillage, no-till, grassed waterways and critical area seedings. In recent years, Larry has begun to incorporate cover crops into his operation. The cover crops help to slow erosion and improve the health of the soil.

Thank you, Larry for the conservation practices you are implementing on your farm!

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT - ROGER STRASBURGER

This award is a lifetime achievement honor for individuals who have dedicated their farming careers to preserving and protecting Indiana's natural resources.

In 2019, the District nominated Roger Strasburger for the Lifetime Achievement Award. Roger's farm produces corn and soybeans while implementing a variety of conservation practices including no-till, cover crops, nutrient management, grassed waterways and wildlife habitat as part of a conservation cropping system.

Throughout his career, the family operation has transitioned from the plow to a no-till system. Through land management changes, Roger has seen a significant decrease in soil erosion and an overall improvement in soil health. He notes that "the longer I no-till, the better it will become."

Congratulations and thank you to Roger Strasburger for his lifetime commitment to conservation!



FRIEND OF CONSERVATION AWARD - GREATER WABASH RIVER RC&D

The Friend of Conservation award promotes & recognizes conservation efforts by community or civic leaders, homeowners, businesses, volunteers, teachers, students, and student organizations.

The Greater Wabash River Resource Conservation & Development (RC&D) Corporation was organized in 2002 to address regional natural and human resource issues. Since that time, the Corporation has partnered with the Benton, Carroll, Clinton, Howard, Tipton, and Tippecanoe County Soil & Water Conservation Districts on a multiple of projects and events. This organization also hosted the following programs since its inception: Indiana Master Naturalist and Junior Master Naturalist Programs, Woodland Owners Clinics, Overhead Irrigation Basics Workshops, Soil Health and Emerging Ag Technology Workshops, Rain Garden Workshops, and Invasive Species Workshops. The RC&D also helped producers in the Wildcat Creek Watershed apply or install conservation practices on their agricultural land through the Mississippi River Basin Initiative, a conservation project valued at over 2 million dollars, partnering with the Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Many thanks to the Greater Wabash River RC&D for a job well done over many years!

FOOD WASTE DISPOSAL

WHAT

What kind of food waste is accepted?

YES

Any unpackaged & edible food product

- ✓ Bread
- ✓ Dairy
- ✓ Meat
- ✓ Fruits
- ✓ Vegetables
- ✓ Processed food

NO

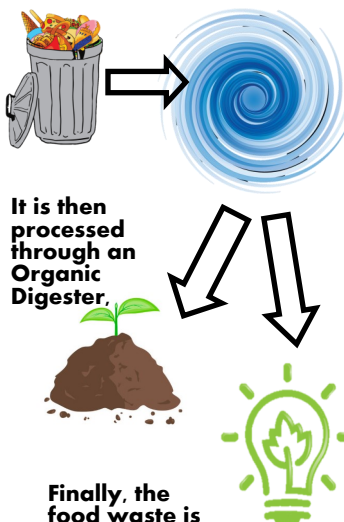
Any packaging or non-edible food product

- ✓ Bones
- ✓ Utensils
- ✓ Yard Waste: twigs, plants, leaves
- ✓ Packaging
- ✓ Wrappers

HOW

How is the food waste processed?

Food waste is sent to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.



It is then processed through an Organic Digester.

Finally, the food waste is converted into energy and compost.

WHY

Why should I separate my food waste?

- 1** Food waste is the largest form of solid waste reaching landfills and incinerators (EPA)
- 2** Stopping food waste from reaching landfills reduces Greater Lafayette's need for fossil fuels!
- 3** Food waste is also converted into compost, a sustainable way to transport nutrients into soils on local farms.

Please be sure to dispose of your food waste into the appropriate buckets and your tableware into the trash. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

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