

## **Project Overview:**

The Pathway to Water Quality Exhibit has been a popular fixture at the Indiana State Fairgrounds since 1993. It is an excellent model watershed demonstration site, showing how proper management practices at home, on the farm and in business can protect our soil and water resources. The PWQ exhibit contains practical displays and information for anyone who uses the land. The Pathway To Water Quality Exhibit, managed by the ICP, is a model watershed that shows fair visitors how land "sheds" excess water and what that means to them. The primary target audience for the PWQ are the urban visitors to demonstrate to everyone that they do effect soil health and water quality. The youth education area also provides key outreach to the next generation of land users and decision makers. The exhibit highlights many conservation practices that the agricultural community uses to protect soil health and water quality for all citizens. This project will retain the existing PWQ coordinator for 2018. The coordinator works with both the Indiana State Fair and partner agencies to ensure the success of the exhibit year round.

## **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.

Lead Organization: Pathway To Water Quality

Project Dates: 1/1/2018-12/31/2018

Project Name: Coordinator for Pathway To Water

Quality (PWQ)

Project Amount: \$7,500

For more information about CWI, please visit: in.gov/isda/2379.htm. For more information about the SSCB, please visit: in.gov/isda/2361.htm. Email questions or comments to cleanwaterindiana@isda.in.gov. To find your local SWCD: please visit: in.gov/isda/2370.htm.

