Grassroots Conservation

Indiana’s 92 Soil and Water Conservation Districts (SWCDs) work at the grassroots level in both rural and urban settings to develop locally-driven solutions to natural resource concerns. Local producers, landowners, and conservationists are encouraged to connect with their local SWCD for access to information, conservation resources, leadership opportunities, and more!

Get Involved:
Soil and Water Conservation Districts are led by local men and women called Supervisors. Are you interested in becoming a leader in your community? Promote conservation and connect with local producers through sharing your time and expertise with your local District. Contact your local District for more information on how to get involved!

For Producers:
Advance your operation through conservation. SWCDs can support your efforts to improve your soil’s health and water quality, and can connect you with local producers who are trying to do the same. Contact your local District for more information on what resources they can offer you!

Statewide Projects

The Indiana Association of Soil and Water Conservation Districts works at a state level to promote and enhance conservation. We do this through legislative advocacy, public outreach, and supporting our member SWCDs in their local work. Current IASWCD projects include:

Conservation Cropping Systems Initiative (CCSI)
CCSI is a statewide project that works to connect and enhance soil health efforts in Indiana. Through the efforts of a wide partnership, CCSI offers field days, brings nationally-recognized speakers to Indiana, conducts scientific studies of the effects of conservation practices on soil health, and serves as a resource to Indiana’s producers and SWCDs. Learn more at www.ccsin.org.

Pathway to Water Quality
This permanent exhibit has been a popular fixture at the Indiana State Fairgrounds since 1993. Visit it at the next State Fair! Pathway to Water Quality is an excellent watershed demonstration site, showing how proper management practices at home, on the farm and in business can protect our soil and water resources. You can learn more at www.pathwaytowaterquality.org.