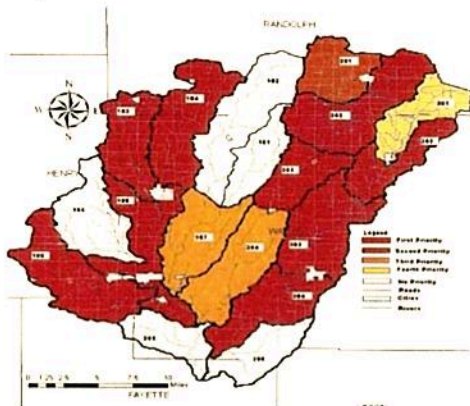


Cost-Share Program

Have you ever wanted to make a positive impact on your own land and the entire ecosystem? Now you have the chance to do it without using too much of your funds. A 319 Grant was awarded to the Wayne County Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) to reduce non-point source water pollutants. The grant is responsible for funding the Whitewater River Initiative for Implementing Best Management Practices (BMP's) to generate better water quality in the West Fork of the Whitewater River Watershed. The grant will provide funds and services to alleviate the problems only in the priority areas of the watershed.

The Review Process

The plot of land has to be in one of the priority areas below.



- Applicants need to go to the SWCD office to pick up and fill out both the Eligibility and Ranking Applications.
- Applications will be reviewed by the Ranking Sheet.
- The lands that have the highest rankings will be funded first.
- Once approved, we will start on BMP's Construction.
- After the BMP's construction is completed, you will be reimbursed the percentage of the cost share or the maximum cap for that BMP.

For example, if you put up a fence to keep the livestock out of a stream or river costing \$4,000, the grant would cover 75% of the \$4,000, so you would only pay \$1,000. If the 75% of the sale price were to equal more than \$5,000, the maximum cap of \$5,000 would apply.

Maintenance of BMPs

The cost share recipient is responsible for maintaining the BMP after implementation. Vegetation and land management practices will be maintained for 5 years. Cover crops are maintained for only a year, but you can reapply for three years. Structural Practices will be maintained for 10 years. If the BMP was destroyed or damaged by extreme natural events (i.e., flooding, drought, lightning, etc.) it may be repaired or replaced with 319 funds during the 319 project grant term, if funds are available. For more information on the Cost-Share Program go to www.waynecountyswcd.org, under the Watershed tab.

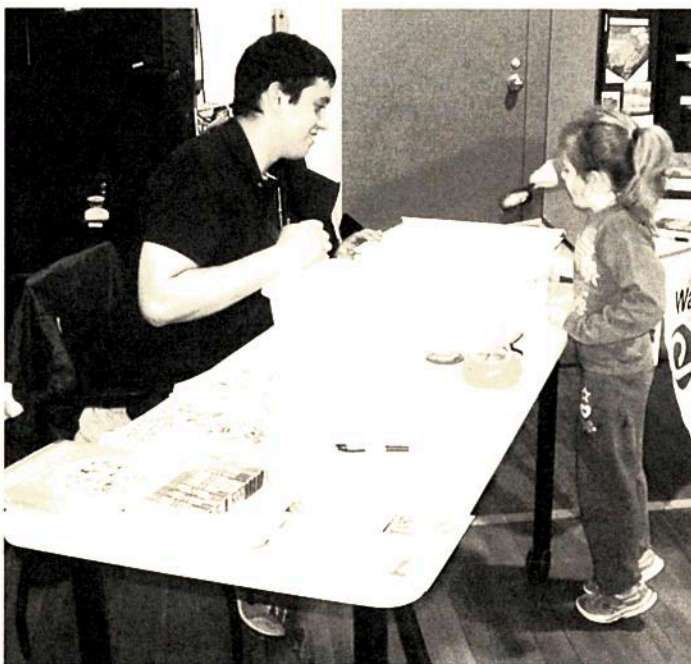
The next page has the eligible Cost-Share Best Management Practices.

If you have any questions, please contact Zach Lee, Watershed Coordinator, at (765) 966-0191 Ext. 3.

COST-SHARE BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

Problems	Best Management Practices	Percent Cost-Share	Maximum Amount Cost-Share Cap
Erosion, Nutrients	Conservation Cover	75%	Up to \$5000
Erosion, Nutrients	Cover Crop	75%	Up to \$5000 not to exceed \$45 per acre
Erosion	Critical Area Planting	75%	Up to \$5000
Livestock	Fence	75%	Up to \$5000
Erosion, Nutrients	Field Boarder	75%	Up to \$5000
Erosion, Nutrients	Filter Strip	75%	Up to \$5000
Erosion, Nutrients	Forage and Biomass Planting	75%	Up to \$5000 not to exceed \$162/acre
Erosion, Nutrients	Grassed Waterways or Outlet	75%	Up to \$5000
Livestock	Heavy Use Area Protection	75%	Up to \$5000
Erosion	Lined Waterway or Outlet	75%	Up to \$5000
Erosion	Mulching	75%	Up to \$5000
Nutrients	Nutrient Management Plan	75%	Up to \$5000
Livestock	Pipeline	75%	Up to \$5000
Livestock	Prescribed Grazing	75%	Up to \$5000
Erosion, Atrazine, Nutrients	Riparian Forest Buffer	75%	Up to \$10,000 not to exceed \$767/acre
Livestock	Spring Development	75%	Up to \$5000
Erosion, Nutrients	Tree Shrub Establishment	75%	Up to \$5000
Livestock	Watering Facility	75%	Up to \$5000

Earth Day—little one has interest in the macroinvertebrates on display



Zach presents on the priority watersheds in the west fork