

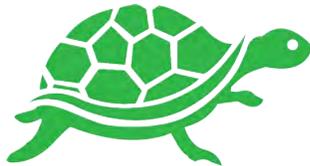


June 2017

TTK NEWSLETTER

319 Cost-Share Funding Still Available in Turman Creek Watershed!

Do you live in the **Turman** Creek Watershed? Are you interested in a best management practice (cover crops, filter strips, precision ag, etc.) for your land? Contact us now to review eligibility and available options. Cost-Share Program information available: <http://watershed-alliance.org/index.php/ttk-cost-share-program-guidelines/>



The West Central Indiana Watershed Alliance was excited to announce the completion of TTK Phase I, details of which were highlighted in our last TTK Newsletter as well as in our 2016 Annual Report, available on our website, along with all past newsletters and meeting minutes.

The TTK 319 Planning and Implementation grant began in August 2013. The \$263,700 award was entirely utilized with a match commitment of \$215,000. In total, 22 unique participants were awarded over \$140,000 in cost-share funding for a variety of conservation projects. Remember: Cost-Share funding will continue to be available in the TTK watershed until April 2019 as we progress into Phase II: TTK Implementation.

CCK Grain Awarded 2016 “Friend of the Watershed”



CCK Grain Farm, owned and operated by Alan Chowning and Randy Kuppler, received the 2016 “Friend of the Watershed” award at the 2017 Sullivan County SWCD Annual Meeting.

Alan and Randy have been long-time leaders in conservation throughout the Turman Creek watershed and other adjacent areas in Sullivan County. In the fall of 2016, CCK Grain Farm participated in the TTK 319 and Clean Water Indiana grant programs by drilling 820 acres of cover crop throughout the Turman and Turtle Creek watersheds. In addition, Randy and Alan generously shared their experience and interest by hosting an impromptu cover crop Q&A session with Center Seeds representatives in the spring of 2016, spurring an interest in cover crops for the many neighboring producers that attended the event.

Congratulations to Randy and Alan!

We are grateful for the leadership and positive impact CCK Grain Farm has had on the TTK watershed!

Quotes & Quips



“There is new life in the soil for every man. There is healing in the trees for tired minds and for our overburdened spirits, there is strength in the hills, if only we will lift up our eyes. Remember that nature is your great restorer.”

--Calvin Coolidge

Upcoming Area Events

Southwest Purdue Agricultural Center Field Day Thursday, June 20

Vincennes, IN

Horticultural and Agricultural Tours
Featured Guest Speaker:
Lt. Gov. Suzanne Crouch

Hoosier Riverwatch Basic Training Workshop Saturday, June 17

Izaak Walton League of America:
Terre Haute Chapter

Free Volunteer Water Quality
Monitoring Training & Certification
Contact Tyler Trout at Clay Co.
SWCD at 812-446-8986, ext. 3

TTK Advisory Committee Mtg. Tues. July 18th 6:30 pm Hoosier Energy Env. Ed. Center *Light refreshments available*

Spring Blooms in the TTK Watershed



Check us out!

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**Sullivan County Soil and Water
Conservation District**



While out and about in Sullivan County conducting project completion reviews, NRCS District Conservationist Travis Walters and SWCD District Coordinator Allison McKain captured spring blooms of Virginia Bluebells (left) growing on a wooded hillside in Turtle Creek, part of the TTK watershed. Virginia Bluebells thrive in shady areas, require high amounts of water, and enjoy rich, moist soils. Interested in other images captured in the TTK watershed? Visit our Flickr page listed under the "check us out" section above.

(Curious about this species? Visit the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center at www.wildflower.org).



Seasonal Recipe

Grilled Zucchini and Squash *45 minutes, 4 servings, 54 calories*

A refreshing summer vegetable medley. Try it with zucchini and squash picked right from your garden or from the local farmers market!

Ingredients

1. 1 yellow squash, sliced
2. 1 zucchini, sliced
3. 1 lemon, zested and juiced
4. 1 tablespoon unsalted butter, cut into chunks
5. Salt, black pepper and cayenne pepper to taste

Directions:

1. Preheat grill for medium heat and lightly oil the grate.
2. Place yellow squash and zucchini on a square of aluminum foil; sprinkle with lemon zest, lemon juice, and butter. Season with salt, black pepper, and cayenne pepper. Wrap the aluminum foil around the vegetables.
3. Cook vegetables on the preheated grill until tender, about 30 minutes.

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