

TTK Kick-Off Public Meeting Summary

Thursday, August 29th, 2013



Attendees

Josh Brosmer, IDEM, Charles Haney, Hoosier Energy, Bruce Marheine, WLRM, Trey Clark, WLRM, Carrie Green, Sullivan SWCD, Bill Coulson, SWCD Chairman and landowner, Lon Petts, Hoosier Energy, Susan Norris, landowner, Paul Gettinger, landowner, JoAnn Ferree, landowner, Ray McCammon, Sullivan County Commissioner and landowner, Jim Spence, Sycamore Trails RC&D, John “Jack” Gettinger, landowner, and Laura Young, WCIWA Coordinator

Introduction and Refreshments

Attendees were given a survey about resource concerns and their interest in the group. Refreshments were provided by Hoosier Energy. TTK magnets were also given out.

Overview

An overview of the grant was given by the WCIWA Coordinator via Powerpoint. The TTK watershed area was outlined, the resource concerns were discussed, and the time frame of the grant was explained in phases; Phase one: form an Advisory Committee, begin water monitoring, and complete a WMP (Watershed Management Plan). Phase Two: Cost-share Implementation of conservation practices. Budget totals were also provided and the attendees were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Discussion from the Floor

Some interest was noted in cost-share best management practices, especially for agriculture, such as WASCOBs and waterways. Precision agriculture, cover crops, and no-till were also mentioned. One or more landowners stated concern over the activities of Hoosier Energy and lake degradation. Hoosier Energy representatives also expressed concern over excessive sedimentation of the reservoir. All resource concerns were noted for future consideration while drafting the WMP.

*The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm
Summary prepared by Laura Young, WCIWA Coordinator*