

GENERAL PROVISIONS

APPLICATION PROCESS

Eligibility forms are available online or for pick up:

- Sullivan County SWCD Office
2316 N Section Street
Sullivan, IN 47882

Staff will schedule an appointment to review eligibility for conservation practices and funding programs (TTK, NRCS, FSA, DNR, ISDA).

The TTK Cost-Share Program uses a continuous sign-up system, though funds are finite within the timeline of the grant. Proposed practices must lie within a critical area of the watershed for the pollutant addressed and must be installed according to specifications and with pre-approval.

CONSERVATION PLAN

Watershed Alliance staff work with local NRCS offices to develop Conservation Plans as required by the Section 319 program. These documents can also be used as planning guidelines for other conservation programs.

PRACTICE STANDARDS

All structures and vegetative practices must meet standards as defined by NRCS guidelines when available. Eligible practices must be new to the business or homestead in some cases.

PAYMENTS

Payments are made as reimbursements of practice implementation expenses. Participants must provide documentation of implementation costs, including cash or in-kind match.

After Staff has verified practice implementation, a submittal will be made for program approval and payment. **Payments may take 4-12 weeks.**

For some vegetative practices, payments are made for the first year of implementation only. \$50,000 cost-share funding cap per customer.

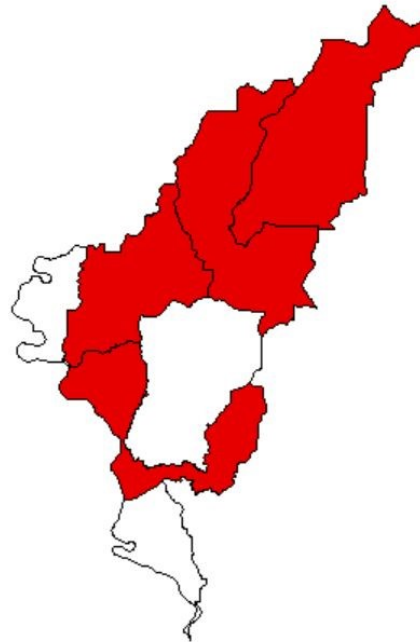
WATERSHED LOCATION



The TTK Watershed spans 115,670 acres total.

Counties include Sullivan and Vigo.

It is a part of the larger Middle Wabash Watershed.



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TTK Watershed 319 Cost-Share Program 2020-2023



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Guideline to Cost-Share Practices and Payment Rates

Fixed-Rate Cost-Share

Short-Term Vegetative Practices

- **Cover Crops - 75%**

Payment issued for seed and labor costs

Fertilizer costs excluded

Single-year commitment—(MAX 3 years total per field)

Not to be used in conjunction with NRCS payments.

- **Critical Area Planting - 75%**

- **Forage and Biomass Planting - 50%**

Must be converting from row-crop farming

Must maintain for 5 years

- **Pasture Seeding/Prescribed Grazing - 75%**

Must be associated with a rotational grazing and/or exclusion efforts

10-Year Vegetative Practices

Practices must remain in place for 10 years minimum

- **Field Border - 75%**

- **Filter Strip - 75%**

- **Grassed Waterway - 75%**

- **Wetland Construction* ** - 75%**

- **Riparian Buffer Establishment - 75%**

- **Tree and Shrub Establishment - 75%**

* Primary purpose must be reduction of pollutants.

**Permits may be necessary

Livestock Practices

Practices must remain in place for 10 years minimum

Must possess livestock at the time of sign-up

Must provide proof of Grazing Plan upon request

- **Livestock Exclusion (Fencing) - 75%**

- **Animal Trails and Walkways - 75%**

- **Stream Crossing - 75%**

- **Watering Facility - 75%**

- **Heavy Use Area Protection - 75%**

Variable Rate Cost-Share

Reduced Nutrient and Tillage

Practices must remain in place for a minimum of 5 years.

Must be moving from a lower to higher residue systems.

- **Planter Modifications/Upgrades**

- **Reduced Tillage Equipment Modifications**

*NRCS definitions of reduced tillage and no-till

*Upgrade must reflect transition from a higher to lower system of tillage. No replacements/repairs.

Level 1 - 75% up to \$150/row unit

Level 2 - 75% up to \$500/row unit

Level 3 - 75% up to \$750/row unit

Level 4 - 75% up to \$1,000/row unit

Precision Ag Equipment

Practices must remain in place for 5 years minimum.

Technology must be **new** to the operation and demonstrate a measurable reduction in N application.

Up to 75% Cost-Share

- **Guidance**

- **AutoSteer**

- **AutoSwath**

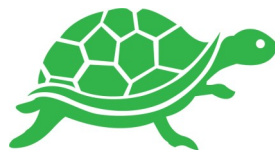
- **Variable Rate Controllers**

Level 1 - 50% cost share / \$3,000 cap

Level 2 - 60% cost share / \$5,000 cap

Level 3 - 75% cost share / \$10,000 cap

Tiered cost-share and funding cap based upon implementation of other best management practices.



Variable Rate Cost-Share

Structural Practices

Practices must remain in place for 10 years minimum

Up to 75% Cost-Share

- **Structure for Water Control**

- **Diversion**

- **WASCOB**

- **Terrace**

- **Grade Stabilization Structure**

**Permits may be necessary.

*Must follow NRCS specifications and engineering.

Practices must remain in place for 10 years minimum.

May apply for redesign and reconstruction of structures that have outlived their useful lifespan.

Level 1 - 40% cost share / \$5,000 cap per tract

Level 2 - 50% cost share / \$10,000 cap per tract

Level 3 - 60% cost share / \$20,000 cap per tract

Level 4 - 75% cost share / \$25,000 cap per tract

Level 5 - 75% cost share / \$50,000 cap per tract

Cost share and cap amounts per FSA Farm Tract.

Tiered cost-share and funding cap based upon implementation of other best management practices.

319 is Unable to Fund:

- **Projects outside of designated critical areas**

- **Log Jam removal**

- **Purchase of land, easements, etc.**

- **Purchase of large equipment**

- **Dredging**

- **Sales Tax**

- **Projects associated with mitigation or permit compliance**

- **Projects directed at water quantity rather than water quality**