

Indiana's
Lake And River Enhancement Program
“LARE”
Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Division of Fish and Wildlife

Grant Funding

- All grant applications are due January 15th
- Grant funding is 80% from LARE and 20% from the sponsor.
- There is a maximum of \$100,000 per project site (except Watershed Land Treatment Projects)
- Grant awards are separated into two award periods, Spring awards and Summer awarded grants

Half of LARE funding goes to Spring grant projects for sediment removal (dredging),



Control aquatic exotic or invasive plants,



Or to remove logjams (only on nonregulated drains)



The other 1/2 of LARE's grant funding goes to Summer Grants for biological, engineering, design, construction, and watershed land treatment projects.



These projects can include:

- Watershed studies
- Wetland restorations
- Two-stage ditches
- Pollinator Plantings
- Streambank and shoreline stabilization
- Dam removal
- Urban Practices

How are Soil and Water
Conservation Districts
(SWCDs) involved in the LARE
program?

SWCDs can sponsor projects for:

Watershed Land Treatment Projects (WLTP)
Logjam Removal
or Biological, Engineering, and Construction

Only SWCDs are eligible to apply for Watershed Land Treatment Projects (WLTP)

IN WLTPs the SWCD serves as the go between for landowners and LARE funding.

Grants are encumbered to SWCDs for 3 to 5 years

The cost-share rate for most practices are 80% with a NTE maximum amount per practice. Others have an incentive payment

The SWCD receives 2% of the grant amount for administrative services

How is LARE involved with logjams?

- Currently LARE is the only program that provides State funds to remove logjams
- The SWCD can be a sponsor for these projects to assist landowners or other government agencies (surveyor, county commissioners, parks departments)
- Projects are can not be used on regulated drains or to remove logjams from road or railway bridges
- Removal shall minimize impacts on aquatic habitat and all work should be completed from the bank
- A maximum grant of \$35,000 per logjam will be awarded

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