

Division of Water

*Indiana Association of Soil and Water
Conservation Districts*



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The Division of Water is responsible for the diverse tasks related to assessing and managing Indiana's most vital natural resource - water

- Permitting in floodways & on public freshwater lakes
- Groundwater assessments and availability
- Water rights & use: Water withdrawals and well construction
- Dam & levee Safety
- Conservancy Districts & Watershed Development Commissions
- Community assistance

Full list of statutes and rules that govern regulatory activities: dnr.IN.gov/water/statutes-and-rules

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Our Stakeholders:

- Floodplain property owners & residents
- Public freshwater lake property owners & residents
- Groundwater users, well owners, well drillers, high-capacity pump owners and installers
- Dam owners & engineers
- Local government officials (Floodplain Administrators, planners, surveyors, etc.)
- Conservancy districts
- Anyone interested in groundwater, flooding, drought

Email Newsletters

Waterlines Express:

- Floodplains
- Lakes
- Groundwater
- Dams
- Engineers
- Conservancy Districts

Quarterly Waterlines: Floodplain
Management & Community Assistance

Weekly Indiana Water and Soil Moisture
Conditions

on.IN.gov/water-newsletters



Indiana Water Weekly Digest

The [Indiana Water's Resources](#) provides information on water resources. A key between the different recommendations Lincoln. Their temperature, so

The [U.S. Drought](#) offers a valuable January 2000. long-term pattern

In addition to the Conditions report conditions, residents provides flood can access the [portal](#).



Thank you for subscribing to the Indiana DNR Division of Water's (DOW) monthly newsletter for engineers – *Flume*, and your interest in the division's mission to protect

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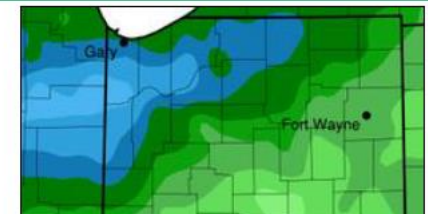
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Indiana Water and Soil Moisture Conditions

March 6, 2025

The state of Indiana generally received slightly below normal to above normal rainfall over the week of February 27-March 5, 2025. The state received 0.1"-1.0" of rain in much of the state and up to 3.0" of rain in the northwest. The state also received below normal snowfall over the week, with up to 1.25" of precipitation recorded in northern Indiana.





DIVISION OF WATER OPEN HOUSE

COLUMBUS, IN
WEDNESDAY
APRIL 16
4 PM – 6 PM

LAFAYETTE, IN
WEDNESDAY
MAY 14
4 PM – 6 PM

LAGRANGE, IN
DATE COMING
SOON

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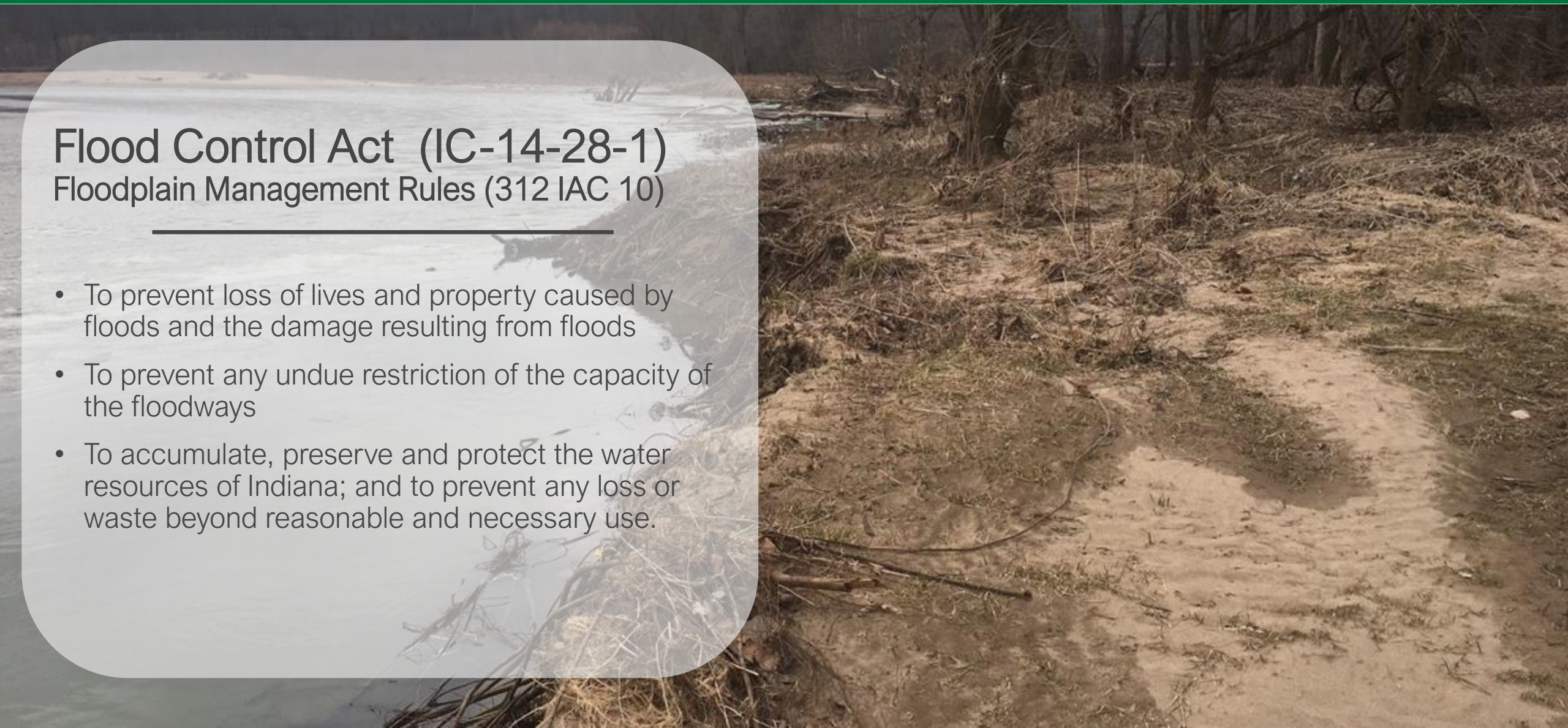
- People living and working in floodplains, along lakes
- County and municipal officials
- Conservancy districts and dam owners
- Planning and engineering professionals
- Private well owners
- All interested community members

Floodplains and Permitting

Flood Control Act (IC-14-28-1)

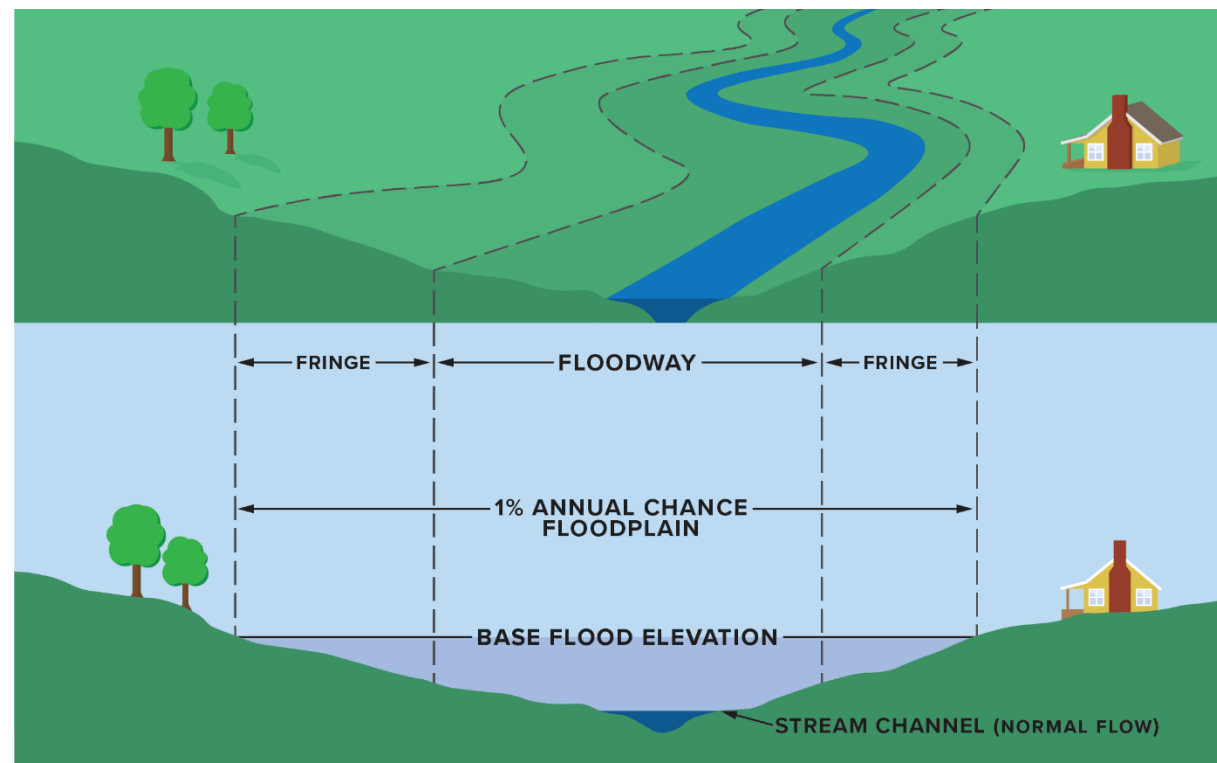
Floodplain Management Rules (312 IAC 10)

- To prevent loss of lives and property caused by floods and the damage resulting from floods
- To prevent any undue restriction of the capacity of the floodways
- To accumulate, preserve and protect the water resources of Indiana; and to prevent any loss or waste beyond reasonable and necessary use.



What is a Floodway?

- "Floodway", for purposes of IC 14-28-1, IC 14-28-3, and IC 14-34, means:
 - (1) the channel of a river or stream; and
 - (2) the parts of the flood plain adjoining the channel that are reasonably required to efficiently carry and discharge the flood water or flood flow of a river or stream.



DNR Jurisdiction

- Construction activities within floodway of all streams that have an upstream drainage area of ≥ 1 square mile.
- Construction activities include, but are not limited to:
 - Excavation
 - Fill
 - Erecting or maintaining a structure



General Licenses and Exemptions

- Specific exemptions and general licenses exist for certain projects, and if a project meets the requirements of the general license or exemption, then a formal permit is not required.
- Many general licenses and exemptions can proceed without coordination with the Division or written documentation; however, some specify that written notice or other coordination is needed.
- Common examples include:
 - Logjam Removal
 - Maintenance of crops, pastures, and parks
 - Wetland restoration
 - Outfall structures

Online Resources

- Division of Water Homepage
- Division of Water Online Research Center (DoWORC)
- Division of Water Unity database
- Waterways Website and Inquiry Request tool
- Indiana Floodplain Information Portal (INFIP)

Indiana Floodplain Information Portal (INFIP)

Indiana Floodplain Information Portal 2.0

DNR Division of Water | Data Download | Overview | FEMA Map Service Center

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How to create a FARA Report

1. Zoom to your location using the + and - buttons in the map or your mouse wheel.
To create the report, zoom in at least to the level where the FEPs appear.
2. Click on the Geoprocessing tool

FARA
FARA Report Generator

3. Click on the Point icon
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FARA Report Generator

Point Observer

MapScale

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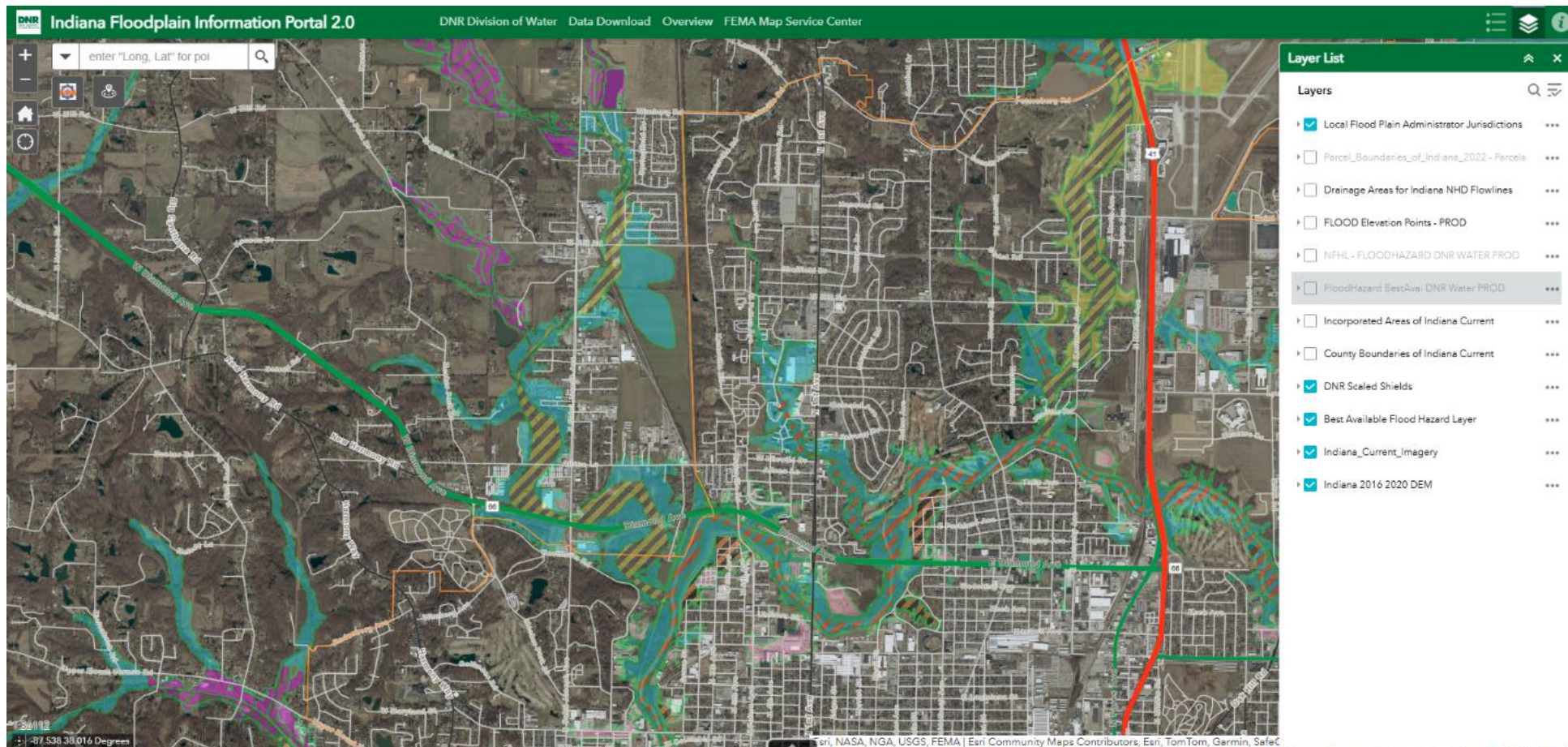
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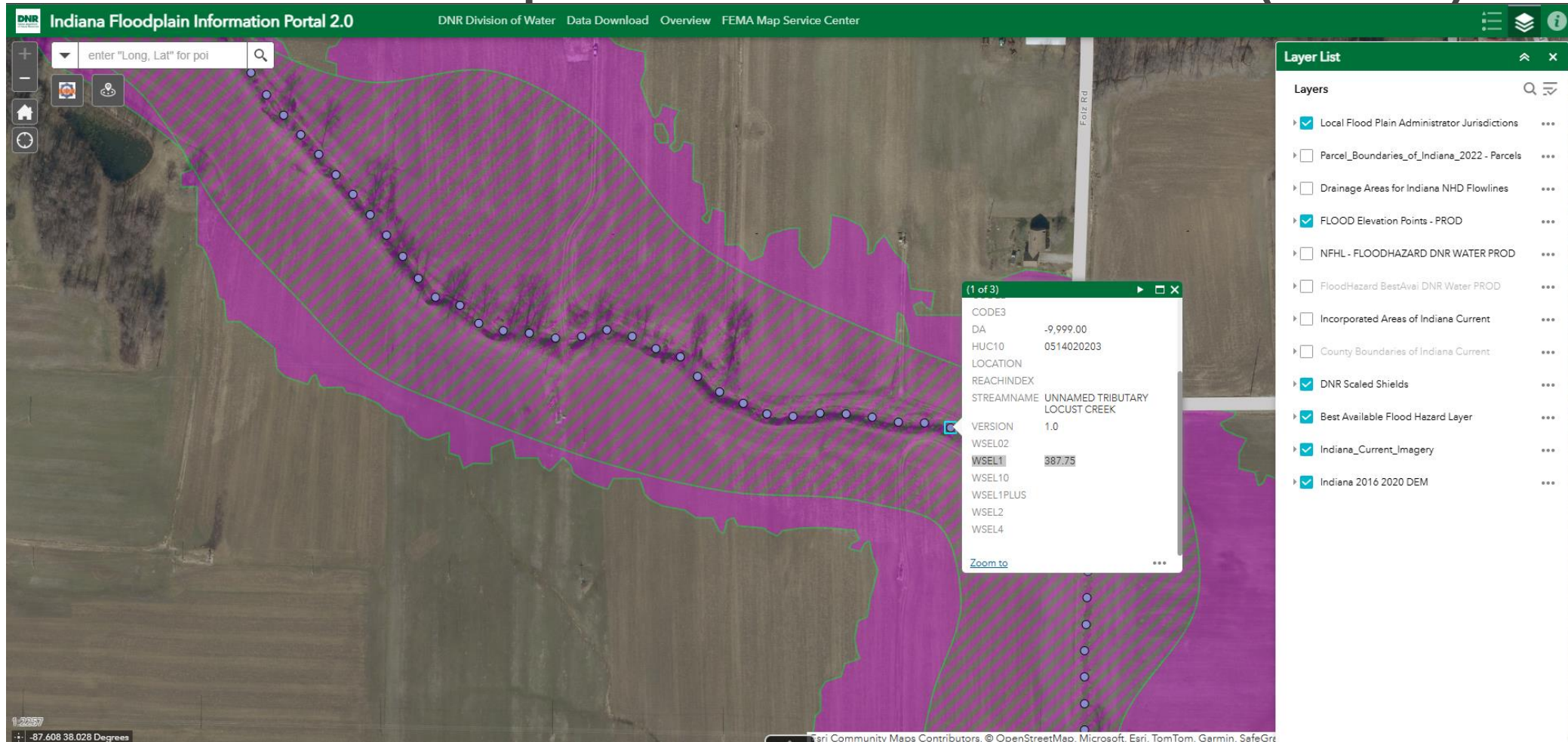
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Indiana Floodplain Information Portal (INFIP)



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Indiana Floodplain Information Portal 2.0

DNR Division of Water Data Download Overview FEMA Map Service Center

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Input Output

PointOfInterest*

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Indiana Floodplain Information Portal 2.0
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FARA Report Generator

Input Output

INFIPReportPDF
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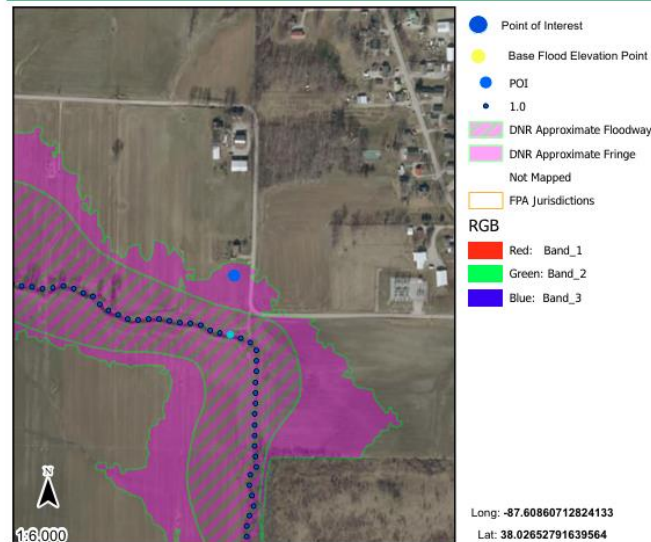
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Indiana Floodplain Information Portal (INFIP)

Floodplain Analysis & Regulatory Assessment (FARA)



The information provided below is based on the point of interest shown in the map above.

County: **Vanderburgh** Approximate Ground Elevation: **387.2 feet (NAVD88)**
Stream Name: **Unnamed Tributary Locust Creek** Base Flood Elevation: **387.3 Feet (NAVD88)**
Drainage Area: **Not Available**

Best Available Flood Hazard Zone: **DNR Approximate Fringe**

National Flood Hazard Zone: **FEMA Zone A**

Is a Flood Control Act permit from the DNR needed for this location? **See following pages**

Is a local floodplain permit needed for this location? **yes-**

Floodplain Administrator: **Hollie Buchanan, Floodplain Administrator**

Community Jurisdiction: **Vanderburgh County Unincorporated Areas, County proper**

Phone: **(812) 436-7871**

Email: **hbuchanan@evansville.in.gov**

US Army Corps of Engineers District: **Louisville**

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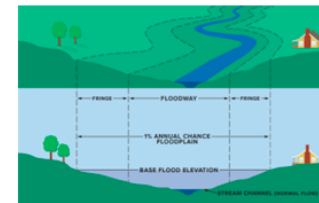
About the Floodplain Analysis and Regulatory Assessment (FARA):

All streams have a floodplain, whether mapped or not. This FARA, and the information provided herein, is designed for sites along streams with a mapped floodplain that delineates the floodway portion of the floodplain; see the image below for a visual guide to the floodplain, floodway, and flood fringe. The information in this document was determined using an automated mapping tool. The DNR has high confidence in the tool, but there are scenarios where the floodplain information provided requires additional review from the DNR.

All streams in DNR jurisdiction (streams that have a drainage area one square mile or greater) are shown by a blue line on the map on page 1. However, a floodplain/floodway may or may not be mapped for every stream. In any of the following scenarios, or if you have more detailed floodplain information, use the link at the bottom of this page to request a staff review of the site. Please note that staff review may take several weeks to complete.

Scenarios that require additional DNR review:

- The base flood elevation on page 1 is not available
- The tool selects the nearest flood elevation point for a stream outside the floodplain associated with the point of interest
- There is not a delineated floodway for the stream nearest your point of interest
- The point of interest is along a stream without a mapped floodplain
- The point of interest is in a mapped floodplain of another stream, but the stream nearest the point of interest does not have a mapped floodplain with a floodway of its own



If DNR review is required, do not use this FARA for your site's determination.

If you have questions about DNR permitting requirements, you can contact DNR, Division of Water toll-free at 1-877-928-3755 and select option 1 to speak to a Technical Services staff member. You can also write to the division at water_inquiry@dnr.in.gov or use the Indiana Waterways Inquiry Request tool at waterways.in.gov to submit a permitting determination request to both DNR and the Indiana Department of Environmental Management at once.

We recommend keeping a copy of this FARA for your records as the DNR will not have a copy on file.

For additional information on floodplain regulations please copy the following line into a web browser:

https://countydataharvest.in.gov/DNR/INFIP_Report_Backpgs.pdf

PATH TO COPY INTO WEB BROWSER TO COMPLETE SURVEY:

https://survey123.arcgis.com/share/3293526dfdc4453e95c19b08fb7bdcfb??FIELD%3ALAT1=38.02652791639564&FIELD%3ALON1=-87.60860712824133&FIELD%3ADNR_PERMIT=See+following+pa&FIELD%3ASTREAM=UNNAMED+TRIBUTARY+LOCUST+CREEK&FIELD%3AINIT_DATE=03%2F03%2F2025&FIELD%3AB

If the link above does not work, copy and paste the text above into a web browser to open the survey you will fill out and submit. If this does not work then send a copy of this FARA to infipinquiry@dnr.in.gov and describe the reason you are requesting a staff review. Include your name and contact information so that staff can follow-up with you.

Indiana Waterways Inquiry Request

IN.gov/waterways

The screenshot displays the 'Indiana Waterways' website. The top navigation bar includes the 'IN.gov' logo, the text 'An official website of the Indiana State Government', and links for 'Accessibility Settings', 'Language Translation', and 'Governor Eric J. Holcomb'. Below this is a blue header with the 'Indiana Waterways' logo and a search bar labeled 'Search Waterways'. The left sidebar contains a 'Waterways' menu with links to 'About Waterways', 'Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM)', and 'Indiana Department of Natural Resources (DNR)'. It also features 'Waterways Permitting' with links to 'IDEM' and 'DNR', and a 'Resources' section with links to 'Waterways Permitting Handbook', 'Application Forms', 'Affiliated Agencies', and 'Contact Us'. At the bottom of the sidebar is a 'I Want To' dropdown menu. The main content area features a map of Indiana with a red line indicating a waterway route. Overlaid on the map is the text 'Indiana Waterways Inquiry Request' and a 'Start Here' button. Below the map is a pink box with text: 'For Section 401 Water Quality Certifications, Isolated Wetland permits, Construction in a Floodway permits or other construction along streams, lakes, or dams ONLY.' At the bottom, there are three cards: 'Detailed Instructions Waterways Inquiry Request', 'Waterways Inquiry Request: How to find your project location using the MAP', and 'Helpful Tips Before you Begin...' with a list of tips.

Indiana Waterways Inquiry Request

Don't know which permit (if any) applies? We can help!

[Start Here](#)

For Section 401 Water Quality Certifications, Isolated Wetland permits, Construction in a Floodway permits or other construction along streams, lakes, or dams ONLY.

Helpful Tips Before you Begin...

- Know your project location
- Be able to describe your project
- Valid email address required
- Decision will take up to 14 days

Indiana Waterways Inquiry Request

*For your proposed project that requires a permit for stream crossing, Certification, Isolated Wetland permits, Construction in a Floodway permits, or other construction along streams, lakes, or dams only. Inquiry reviews will be completed by both agencies and submitters will receive feedback on which permit applications need to be submitted prior to beginning the project. The validity of this response is dependent on the submission of complete and accurate information. Additional information may be required. THIS IS NOT A PERMIT APPLICATION. If you understand this statement, please click 'I Understand' below to begin the form.**

☒ I Understand



Please outline your Area of Disturbance on the map and answer the remaining questions below.

For specific instructions: [Full Instructions](#)

Project Location*

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Home

Location

Full Screen

Layers

Measure

Draw

Clear

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 Perimeter: **248.86 Meters** Area: **3,145.13 Sq meters**

Project Type*

Select the project type that most closely matches your project.

Bank Stabilization

Project Description*

What do you plan to do and how? Include dimensions and materials planned to the extent known.

Approximately 250' of the streambank will be stabilized with riprap placed over a geotextile fabric to protect the bank from further erosion. The riprap will have a maximum height of 5'; a maximum streamward projection of 2' beyond the existing bank, and 1:1 sideslopes. The riprap will be keyed into the streambank at its base and will conform to the existing bank at the project limits.

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County*

Select the county where the project will take place. If there are multiple counties, please select the county where the majority of the work will occur.

Montgomery

Is there an address associated with the property?*

☐ Yes

☒ No

Do you have the parcel number for the project area?*

☐ Yes

Indiana Waterways Inquiry Request

Do you have the parcel number for the project area?*

☐ Yes

☒ No

What is the approximate acreage of disturbance for the project overall?*

See map above for acre value.

0.77

Do you have a Wetland Delineation Report verified by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers?*

☐ Yes

☒ No

☐ Unsure

List any other completed evaluations of potential waters within the property.

Some examples include a Floodplain Analysis and Regulatory Assessment (FARA), a Wetland Delineation Report, or any other report identifying ditches, streams, floodplains, wetlands, ponds, or other waterbodies on the property.

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Do you have any development plans and/or drawings/pictures currently available?*

☒ Yes

☐ No

Have you reached out to any other governmental agencies about your project?*

☒ Yes

☐ No

If yes, who?

Floodplain Administrator, County SWCD

Submit

Indiana Waterways Inquiry Request

Waterway Inquiry Response

DNR Permits:

Based on the information you submitted for review, the following **DNR** permits **WILL** be required prior to beginning your project:

Flood Control Act, IC 14-28-1, Excavation, Fill, or Non-Residential construction, Application Fee: \$200

IDEM Permits:

If there is to be no permanent earth moving or placement of fill material below the Ordinary Highwater Mark, a Section 401 Water Quality Certification will not be required from IDEM.

DNR Specific Feedback

Any proposal to construct, excavate, or fill in or on the floodway of a stream or other flowing waterbody which has a drainage area greater than one square mile requires formal approval from the DNR, Division of Water under the Flood Control Act, IC 14-28-1. A permit application form and permit application assistance manual can be obtained from our website at: www.in.gov/dnr/water/2455.htm.

To access floodplain information for your site, you can visit the DNR's Floodplain Information Portal at www.infip.dnr.in.gov to obtain/verify required elevation information for any proposed structure or building on this site. Please contact your local Floodplain Administrator for local permit requirements.

IDEM Specific Feedback

Resources Present On Site

A. Waterway resources appear likely to be present on the site including:

a. Wetlands

B. The proposed activities may result in land-disturbing activities of one (1) acre or more; which may require permit coverage from the IDEM Stormwater Program.

Information Used for this Waterways Inquiry Response:

A. The site appears to include streams or open water based on aerial photography, topographical Maps, evidence provided through the inquiry.

B. The site includes soil types as determined from the USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey that are identified as hydric soils or soils with hydric

Water Rights & Use

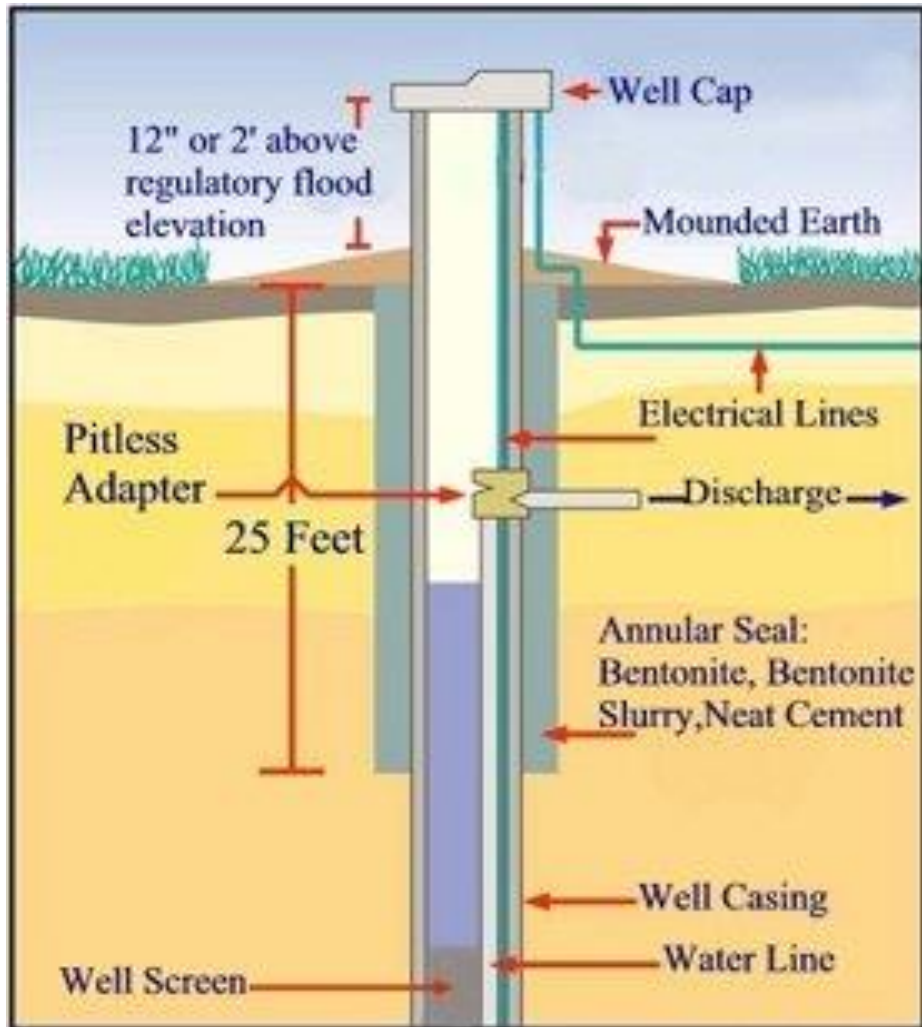
Water Rights and Use Section- Discussion Topics

- Well Drillers Law and Water Well Construction Standards under IC 25-39 and 312 IAC 13
- Significant Water Withdrawal Facility (SWWF) Registration and Annual Water Use Reporting under IC 14-25-7
- Groundwater and Surface Water Rights under IC 14-25-4 and IC 14-25-5

General History for Water Well Driller & Pump Installer Licensing

- 1959 – IC 25-39 (Well Drillers Law) effective
- 1988 – Law amended to require licensing and development of well construction standards (Rule 312 IAC 13)
- 2001/2003 – Bills introduced to require pump installer licensing and/or continuing education
- 2010 – SEA 356 Passed by legislature to require pump installer licensing and CE for well drillers and pump installers.

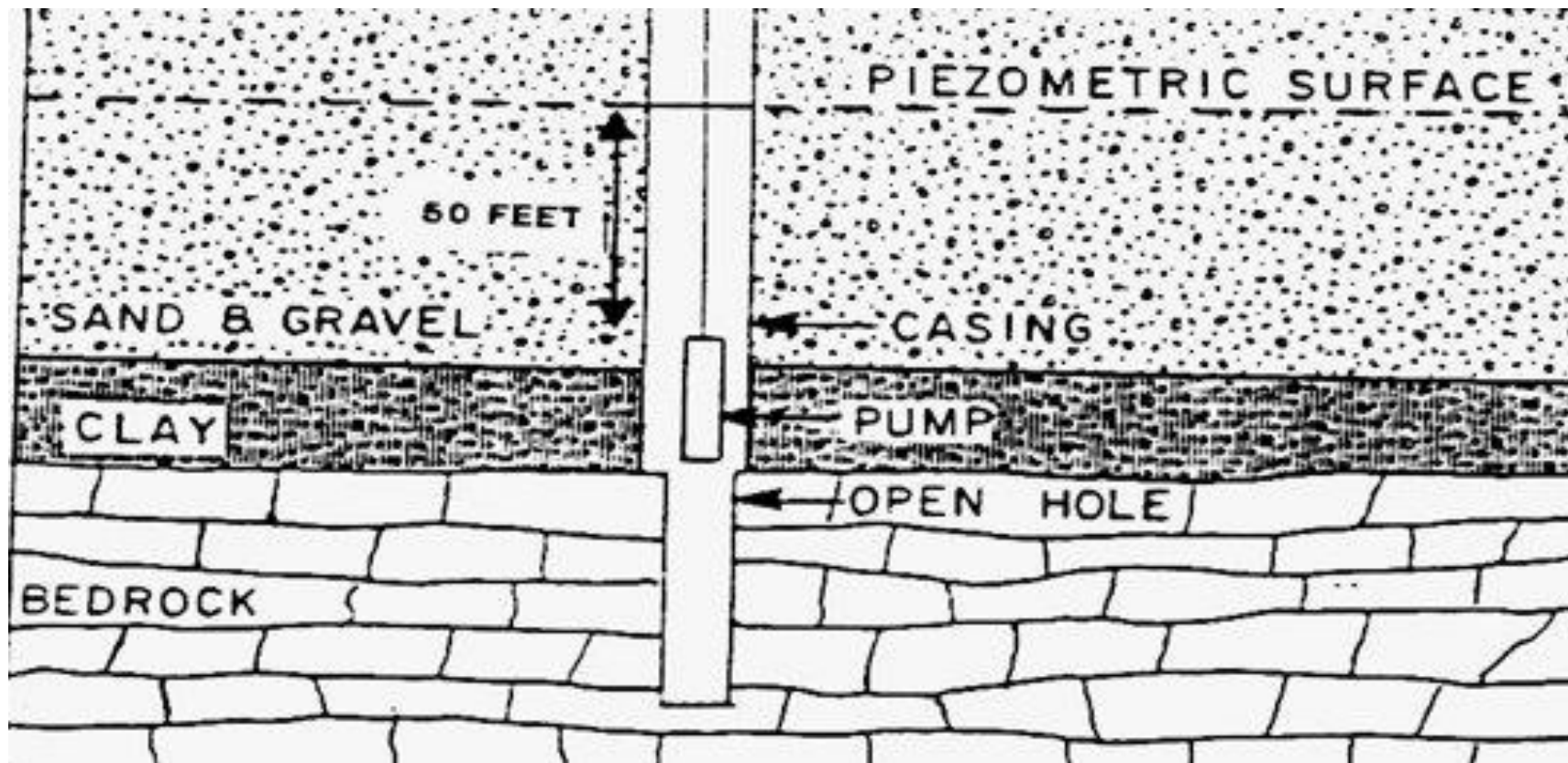
312 IAC 13: Well Construction Standards



- 312 IAC 13 established minimum standards for procedures and materials used in the installation of water wells and water well pumping equipment
- Establishes standards for casing, grouting, screens, depth, and diameter.

Minimum Drawdown Requirements for Small Capacity Wells

- Unconsolidated Aquifers: 20 ft
- Bedrock Aquifers: 50 ft



Water Well Records

- Drillers are required to submit a *Record of Water Well* for every well and send it to the DOW within 30 days of the well being placed
- On the records – well location, owner and driller names, well depth and materials, pump test results, grouting materials, and a log of subsurface geological formations.
- DOW maintains paper files and an online database of approximately **450,000** well records.

Water Well Record Database

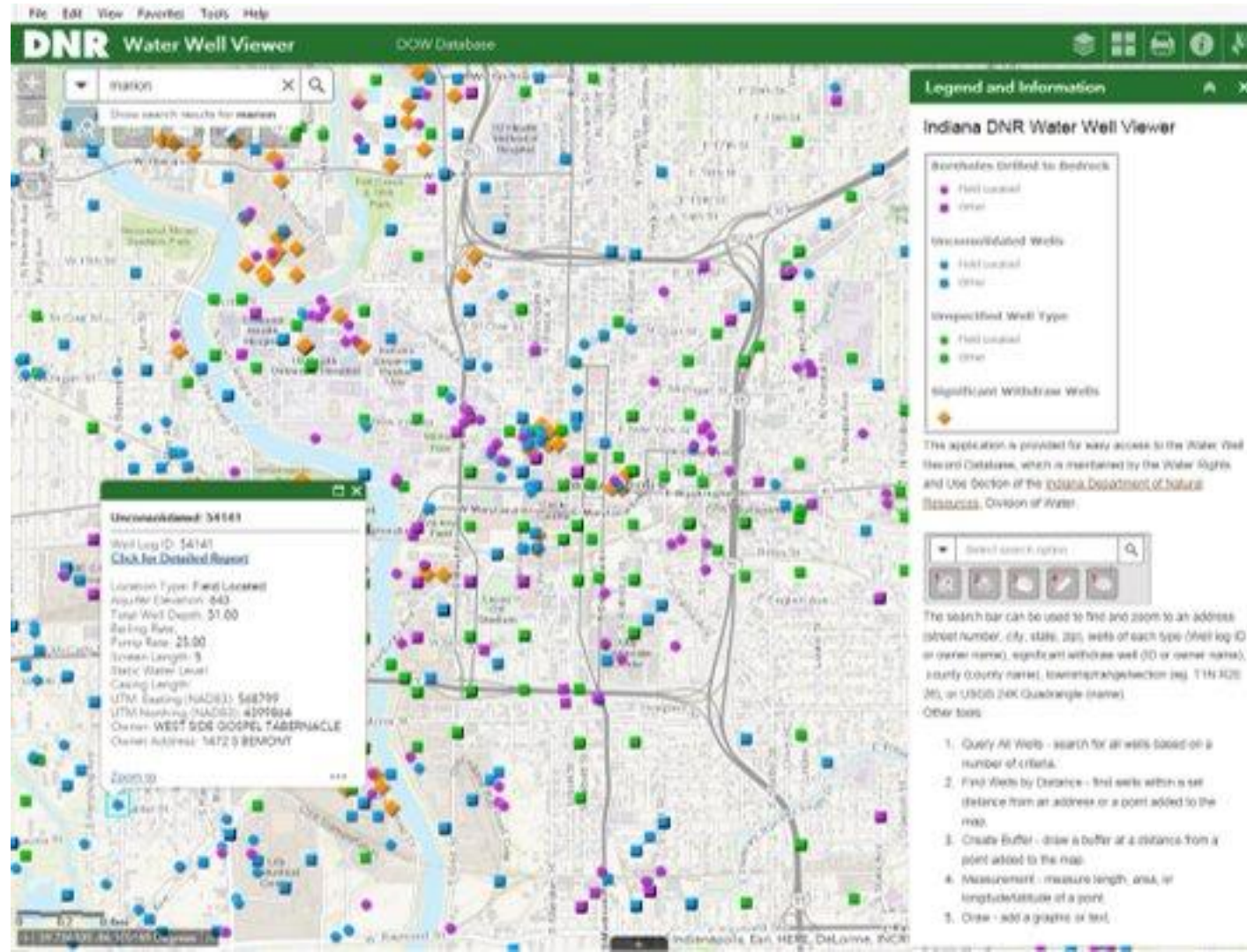
- A – well location
- B – owner and driller names
- C – well depth and materials
- D – pump test results
- E – grouting materials
- F – log of subsurface geological formations

Record of Water Well

Indiana Department of Natural Resources

Reference Number	Driving directions to well			Date completed
119925	A GO TO FOWLER IN TURN E ON US 55 TO E EDGE FOWLER, 1 BLOCK E OF CATHOLIC SCHOOL, TURN RIGHT TO SECOND HOUSE ON LEFT.			May 02, 1963
Owner-Contractor	Name	Address	Telephone	
Owner	JOHN DATZMAN	RR 1 FOWLER, IN		
Driller	C & C WELL DRILLING	RR 4 FOWLER, IN		
Operator	WALTER H CORNELIUS	License: null		
Construction Details	Use: Home	Drilling method: Cable Tool	Pump type:	
Well	Depth: 113.0	Pump setting depth:	Water quality:	
Casing	Length: 111.0	Material:	Diameter: 4.0	
Screen	Length: 3.5	Material:	Diameter: 3.75 Slot size: .25	
Well Capacity Test	Type of test:	Test rate: gpm for hrs.	Bail Test rate: 15.0 gpm for 1.0 hrs.	
	Drawdown: ft.	Static water level: 52.0 ft.	Bailer Drawdown: 8.0 ft.	
Grouting Information	Material:	Depth: from to		
	Installation Method:	Number of bags used:		
Well Abandonment	Sealing material:	Depth: from to		
	Installation Method:	Number of bags used:		
Administrative	County: BENTON		Township: 25N Range: 8W	
	Section: NW of the SW of the SW of Section 10		Topo map: FOWLER	
	Grant Number:			
	Field located by: MT		on: Sep 05, 1967	
	Courthouse location by:		on:	
	Location accepted w/o verification by:		on:	
	Subdivision name:		Lot number:	
	Ft W of EL:	Ft N of SL: 800.0	Ft E of WL: 200.0	Ft S of NL:
	Ground elevation: 810.0	Depth to bedrock:	Bedrock elevation:	Aquifer elevation:
	UTM Easting: 472700.0		UTM Northing: 4496950.0	
Well Log	Top	Bottom	Formation	
	0.0	6.0	BLACK SOIL	
	6.0	14.0	BLACK SOIL & CLAY MIX	
	14.0	22.0	BLUE CLAY & SMALL GRAV	
	22.0	57.0	BLUE CLAY	
	57.0	69.0	DRY GRAV	
	69.0	71.0	BR CLAY & GRAV MIX	
	71.0	76.0	BR HARD PAN	
	76.0	81.0	BLUE CLAY SOFT	
	81.0	92.0	WATER & SAND	

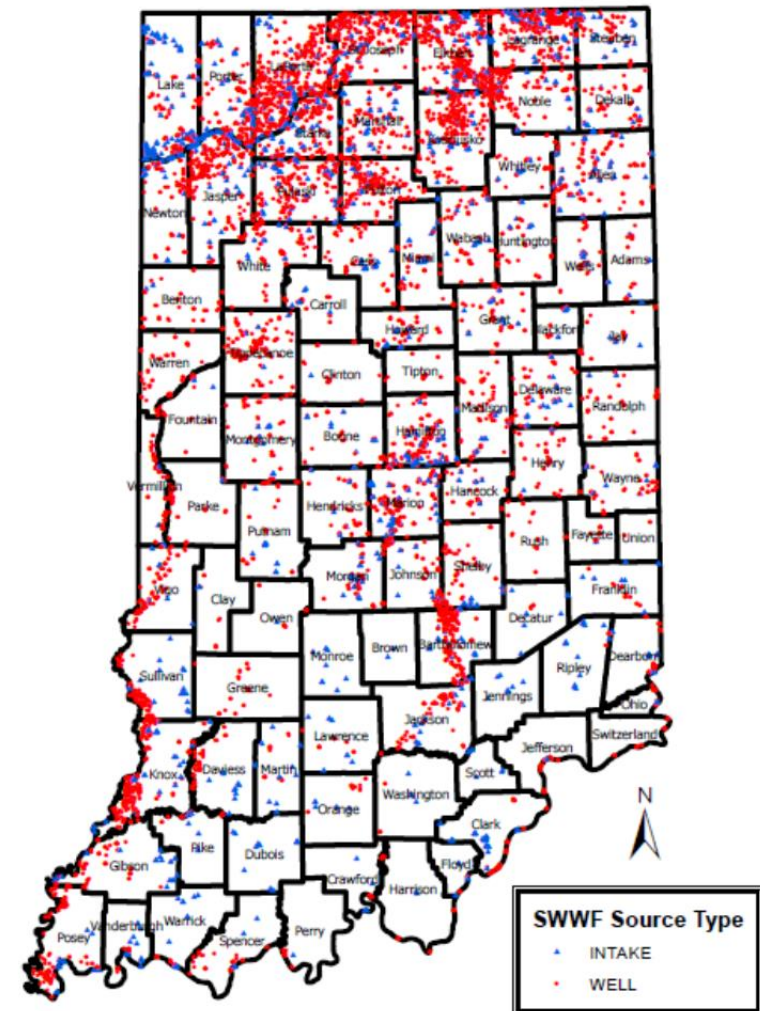
Water Well Record Web Viewer



Water Resource Management; IC 14-25-7

- Enacted in 1983
- Requires registration of all SWWFs (GW & SW)
- Facility defined as having greater than 100,000 GPD capability
- Capability is aggregate of all wells & intakes
- Annual water use reporting
- Approximately 4,300 SWWFs currently registered

Significant Water Withdrawal Facility
Source Locations in Indiana



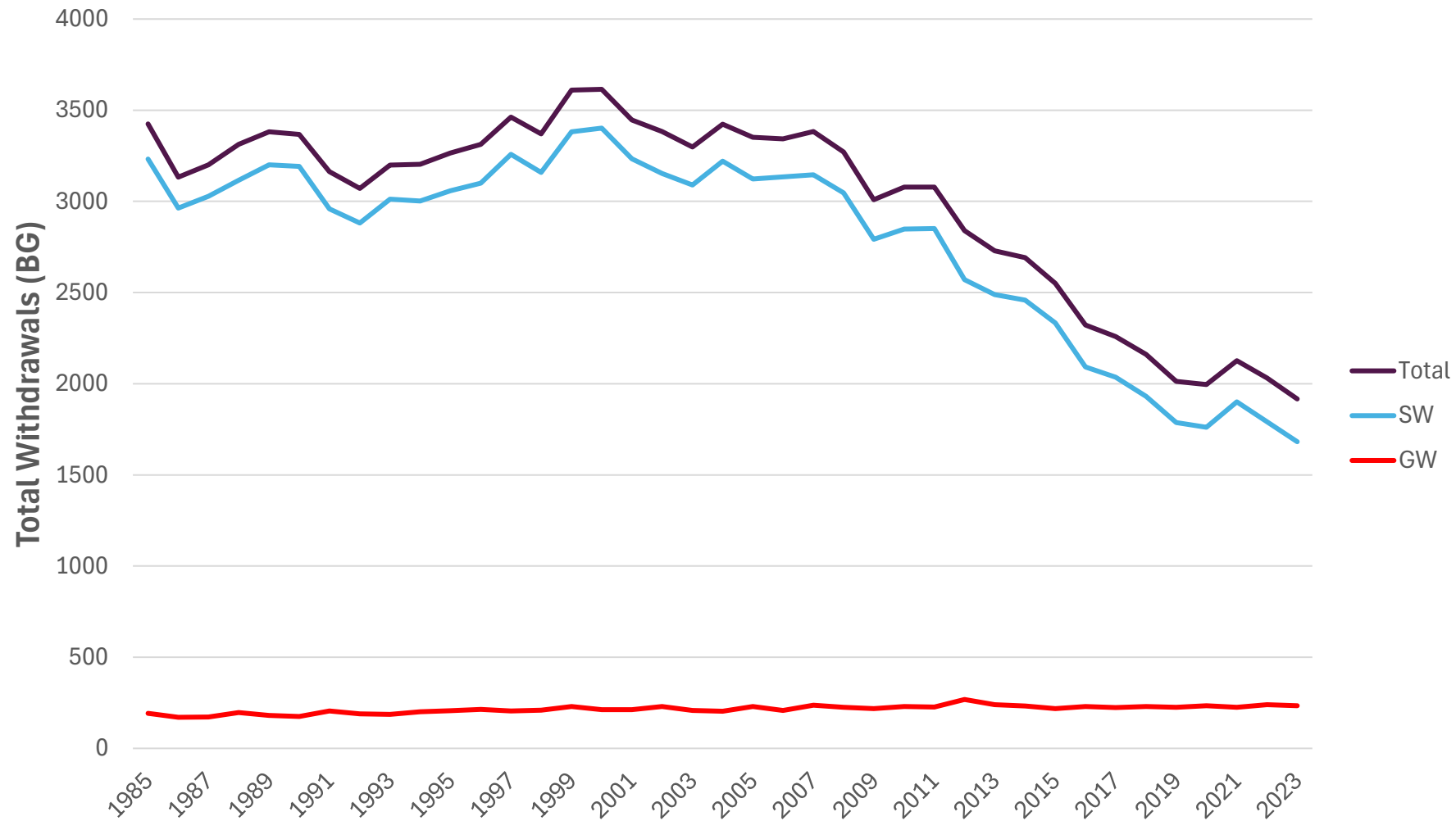
2023 Indiana Registered SWWFs

Water Use Code	Number of Facilities	Number of Wells	Number of Intakes
EP	88	251	81
IN	384	675	293
IR	2893	4014	776
MI	136	221	47
PS	739	2252	60
RU	59	153	10
TOTAL	4299	7566	1267

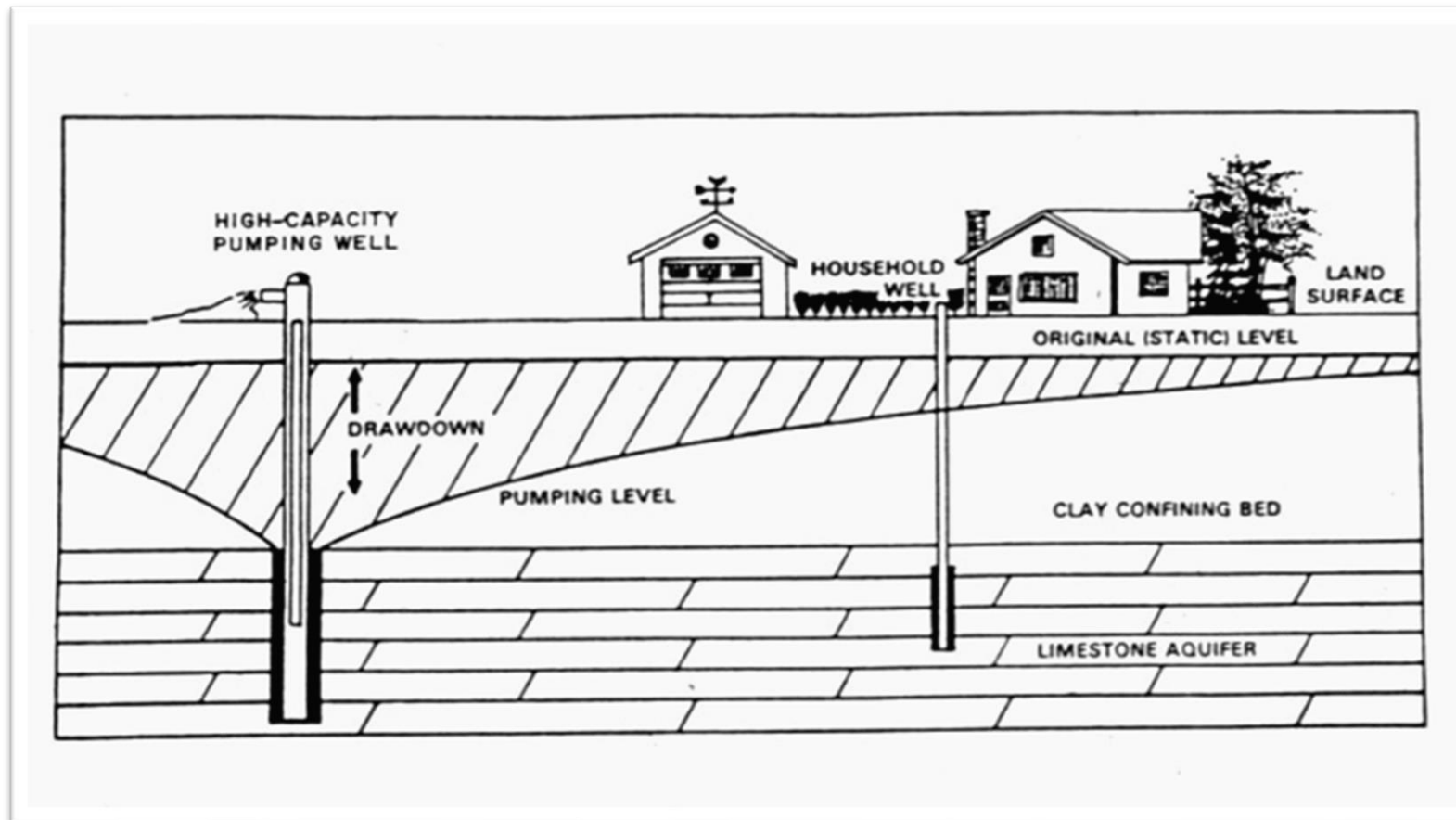
2023 State Totals

	Withdrawals (BG)	Capacity (MGD)	Withdrawals vs Capacity	Current Number
Surface Intakes	1682	16069	28.7%	1267
Wells	234	6294	10.2%	7566
TOTAL	1916	22363	23.5%	8833
Facilities				4299

Total Annual Withdrawals 1985-2023



Emergency Regulation of Ground Water Rights; IC 14-25-4



Indiana Code 14-25-4

- Provides for “Timely and Reasonable Compensation” to owners of small capacity wells affected by high-capacity groundwater pumping.
- Provides for restrictions on high-capacity groundwater pumping under certain conditions.

Emergency Regulation of Surface Water Rights; IC 14-25-5



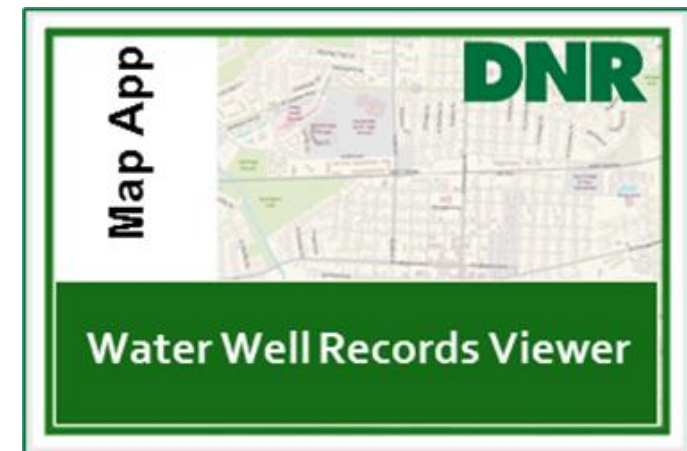
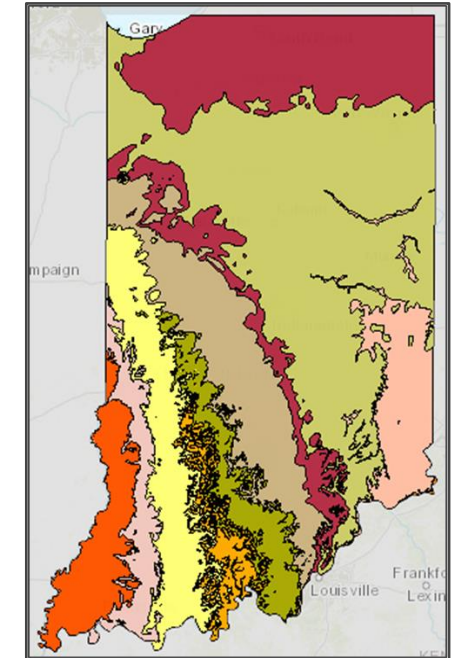
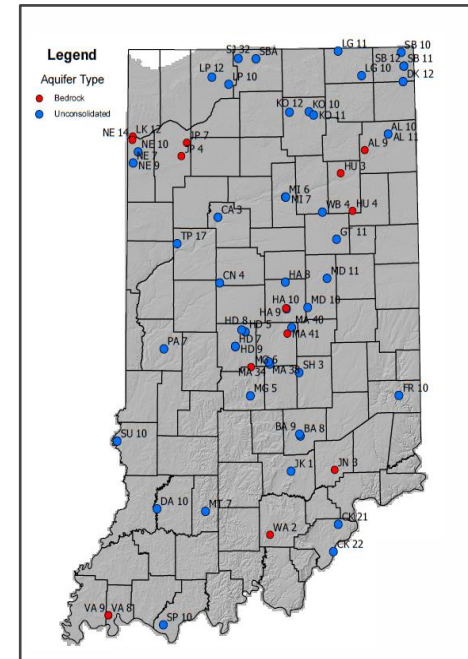
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- Provides protection for owner of “freshwater lake” against SWWF pumping
- “Freshwater lake” defined as being: 1) 10 acres in size; 2) of natural origin; 3) originally constructed to retain water; and 4) existed at least 5 years before SWWF pumping
- DNR must document a significant lowering of the lake level by SWWF
- SWWF facility must be within ½ mile of freshwater lake
- Water level lowering must result in “Significant Environmental Harm” under Rule 312 IAC 11.5

Water Resource Assessment

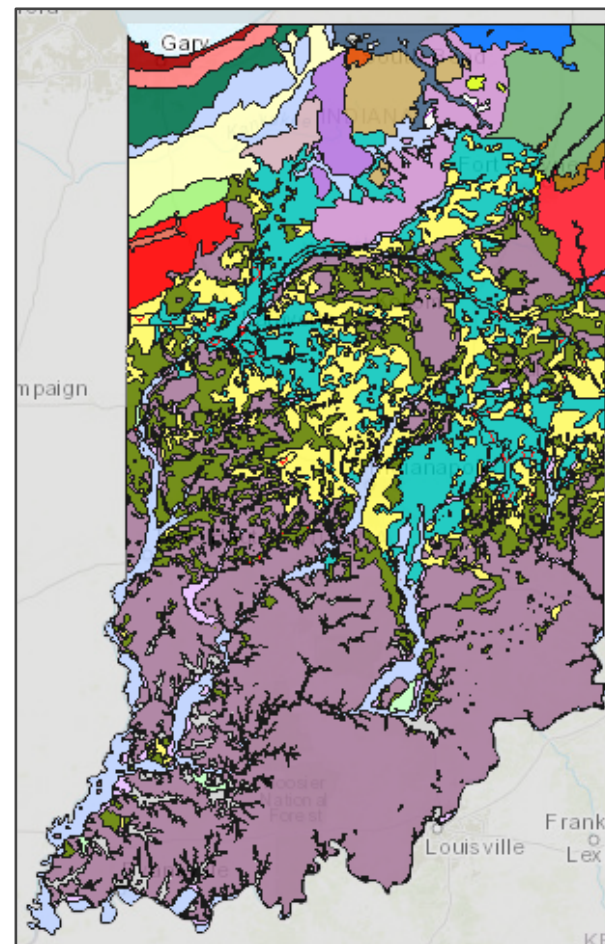
Resource Assessment Section

- IC 14-25-7-11
 - Continuing Assessment of Water Resources
- IC 14-25-8-1
 - May conduct applied research to improve the understanding and management of water resources
- Mapping Products
- Groundwater Monitoring Program
- Water Inquiries
- Monthly & Weekly Water Resource Summary

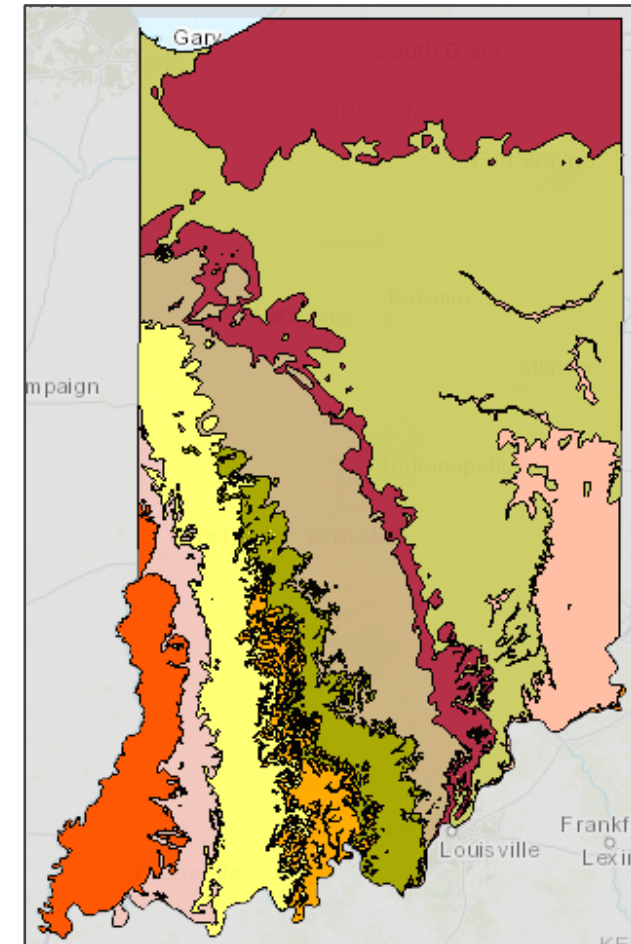


Aquifer Systems Mapping

- Information from groundwater well records, geological surveys, and other hydrogeological data.
- Final Products Include:
 - Separate maps for unconsolidated and bedrock aquifers
 - Text description of the aquifers
 - Registered significant water withdrawal facilities.
- Individual county maps with additional aquifer information and GIS files available on the website.



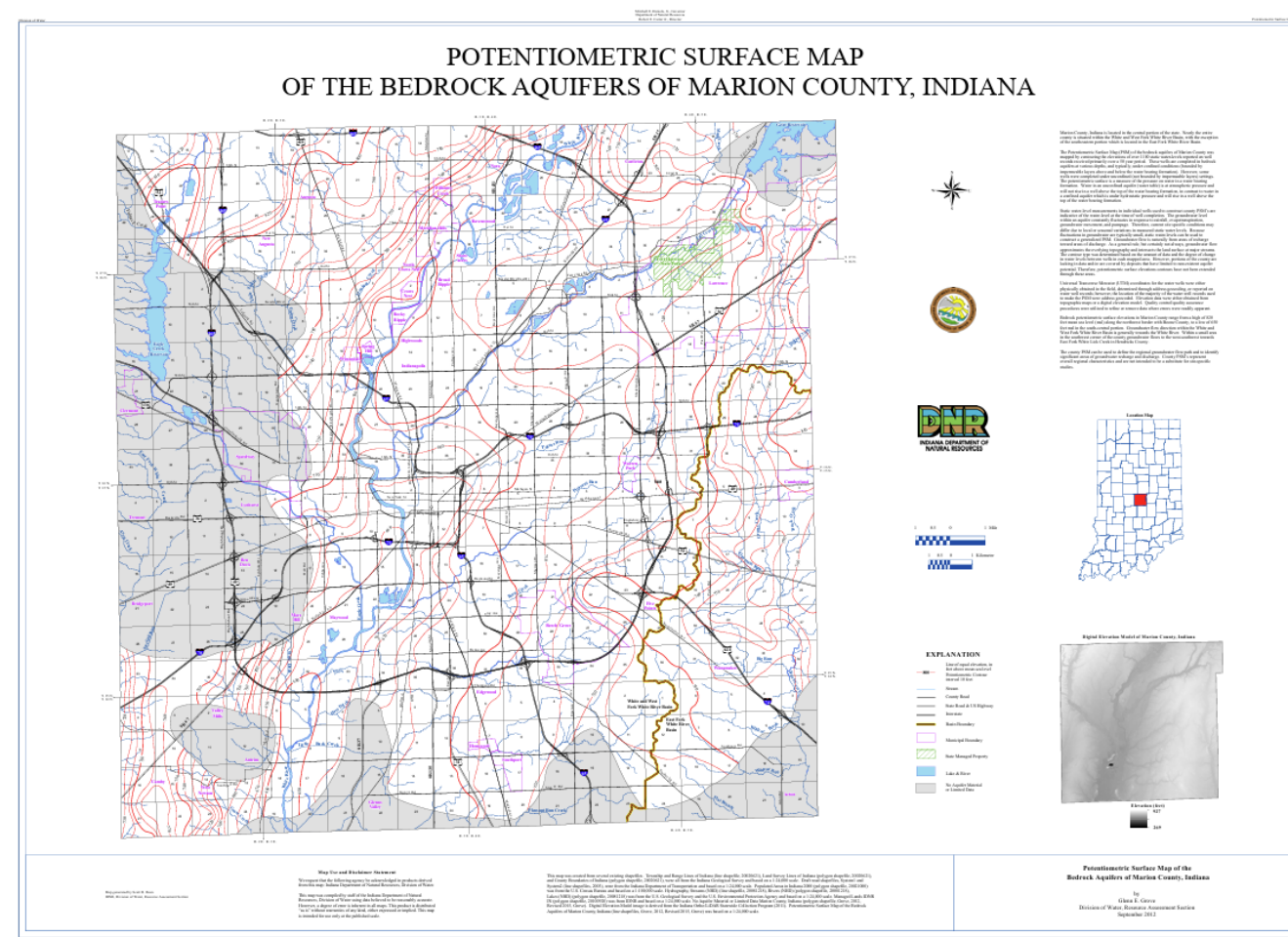
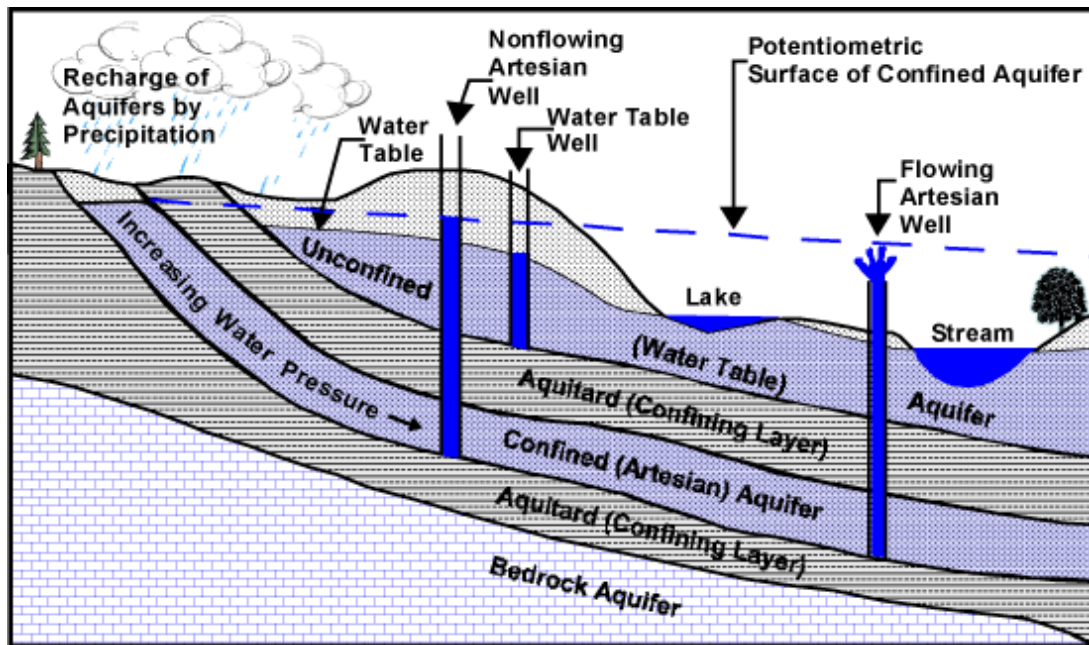
Unconsolidated Aquifer Systems



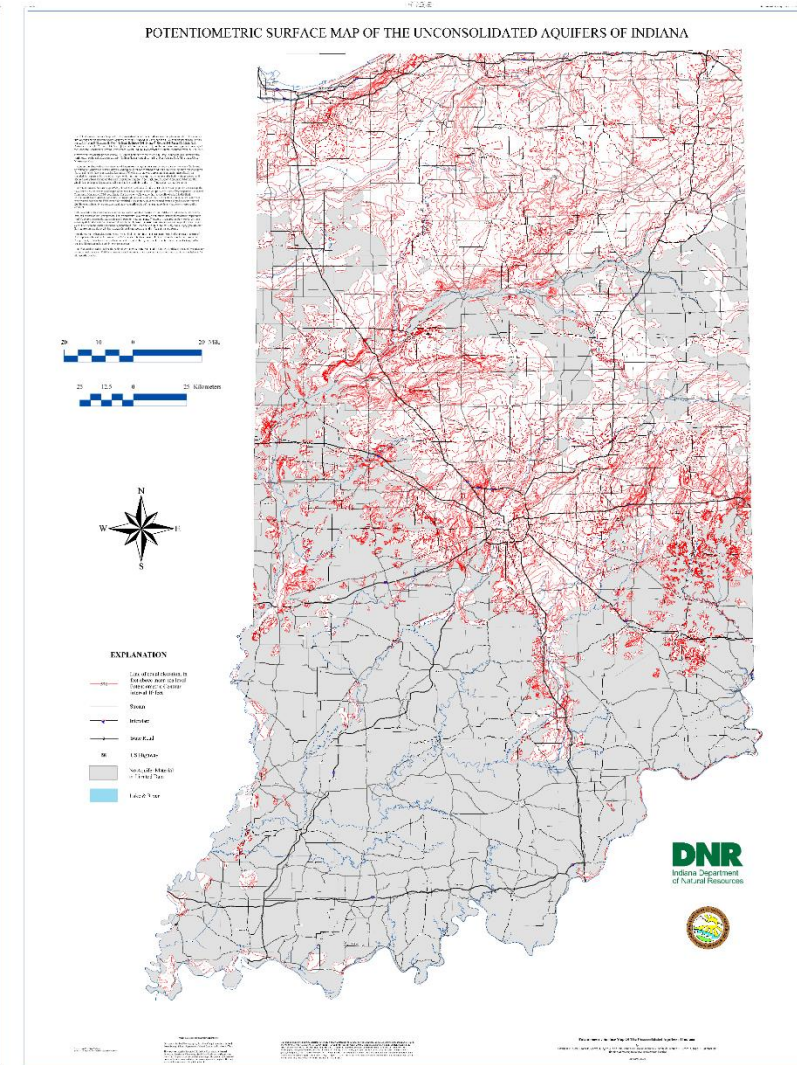
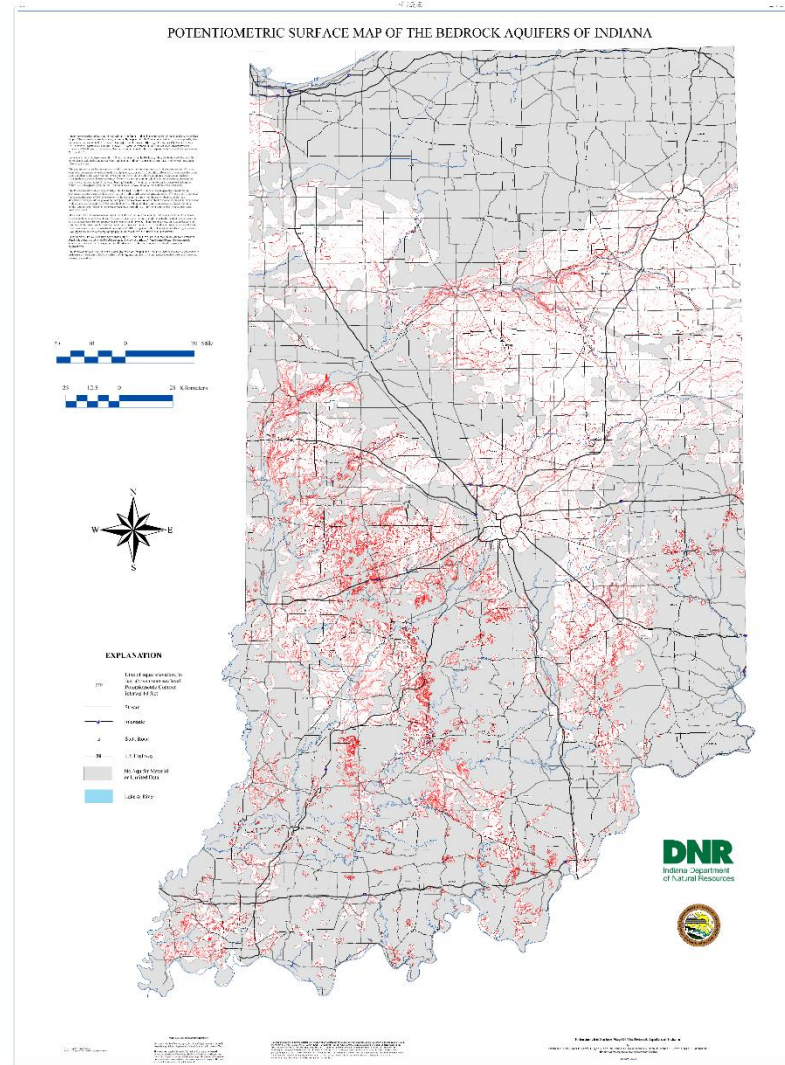
Bedrock Aquifer Systems

Potentiometric Surface Mapping

- Maps and digital coverage for unconsolidated and/or bedrock aquifers in individual counties
- Text description of characteristics
- GIS shapefiles used in the PDF version

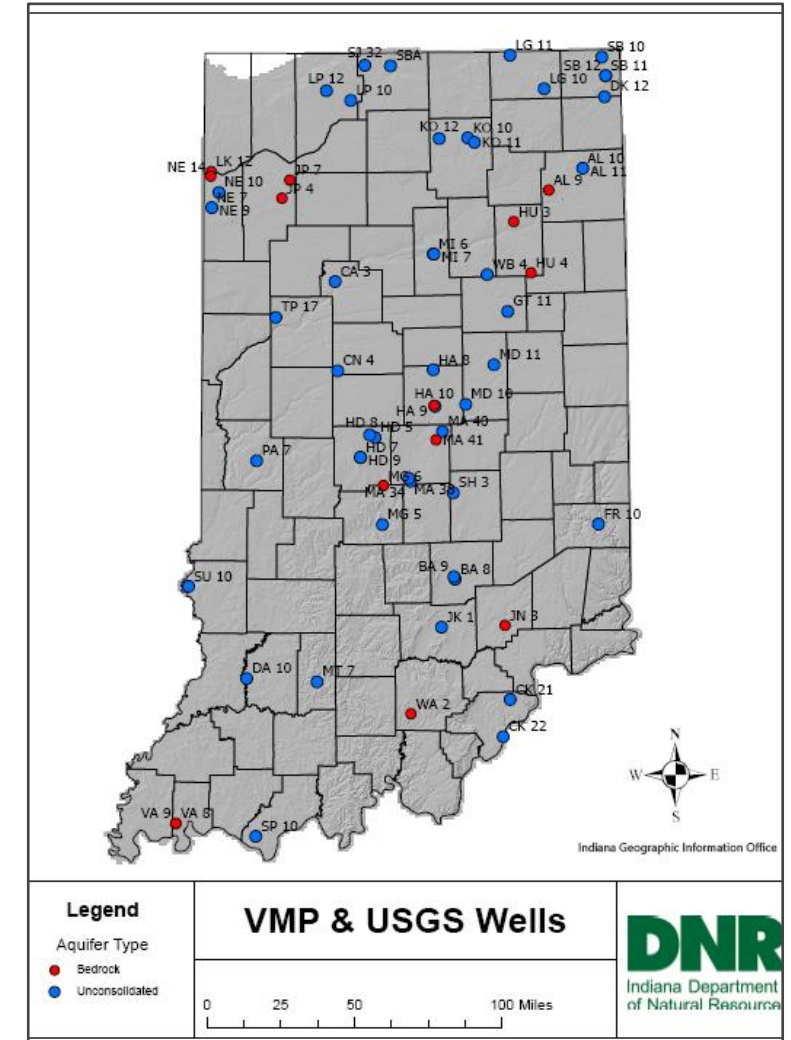
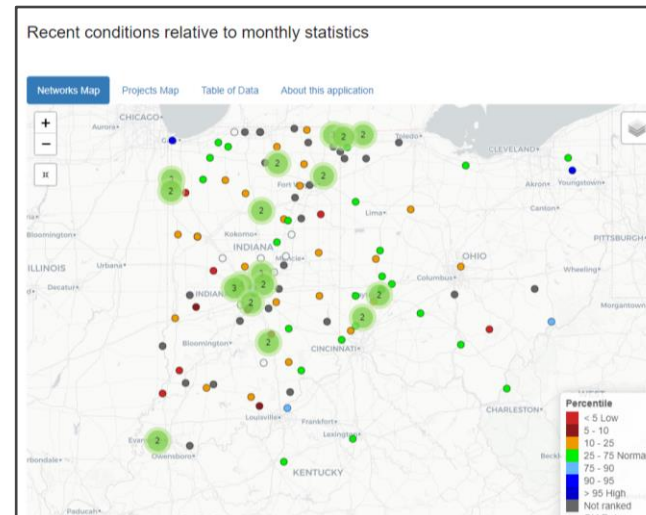


- Ultimately form a single consistent statewide map & GIS coverage
- To be viewed on DOW Web Applications and Indiana Map



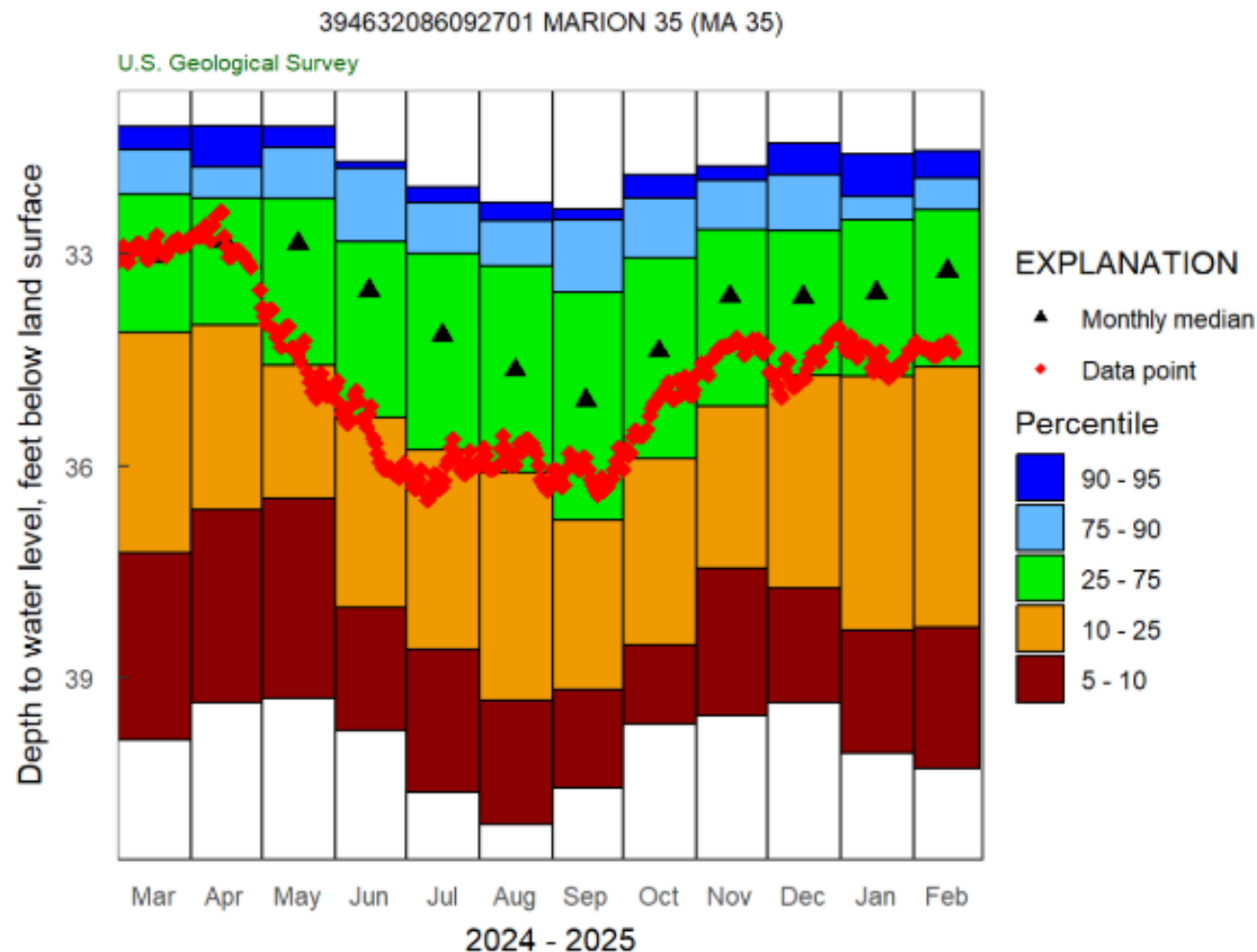
Groundwater Level Monitoring Program

- Collaborative effort with USGS (US Geological Survey)
- 60 wells in the DNR VMP (Volunteer Monitoring Program) and 50 real-time managed by USGS
- RA staff is responsible establishing and maintaining the wells and collecting quarterly data
- USGS receives the data and posts to the OKI (Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana) Groundwater website.

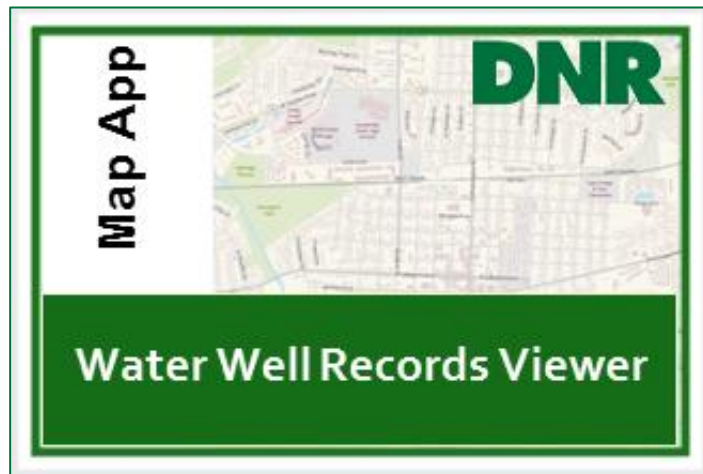


Groundwater Levels in Ohio, Kentucky, and Indiana

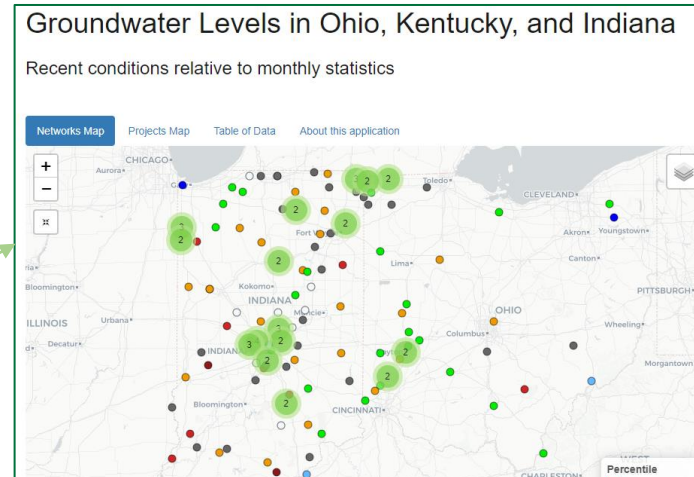
- USGS groundwater well data (partially funded by DNR)
- Trend Data Available
- Gives current water depth, highs, lows, etc.



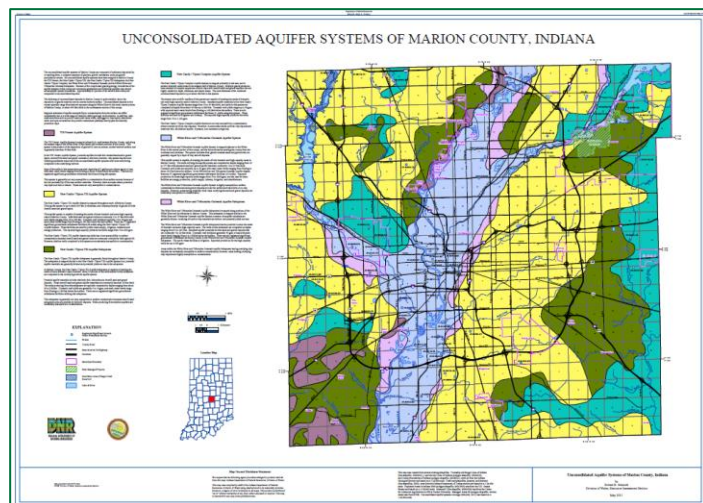
Water Well Record Database



VMP or other wells if nearby

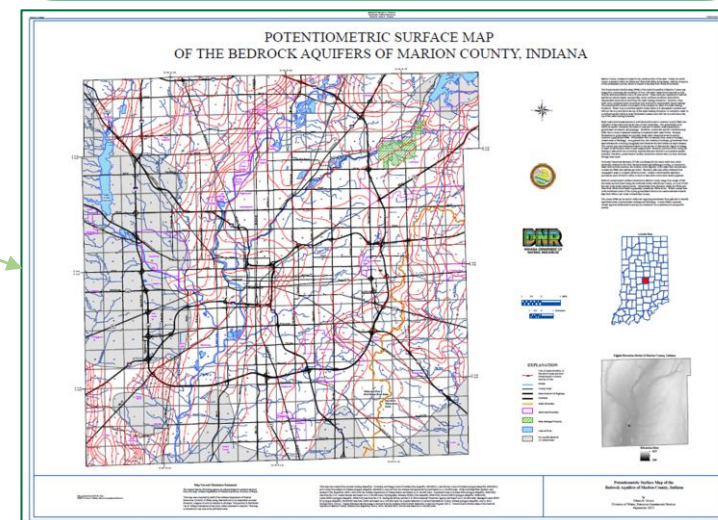


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Weekly Summary: Indiana Water and Soil Moisture Conditions

DNR Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Indiana Water and Soil Moisture Conditions
March 13, 2025

The state of Indiana generally received below normal to above normal rainfall over the week of March 6-13, 2025. The state received 0.03"-0.2" of rain across much of the state with isolated areas of 0.2"-0.5". The state received below normal snowfall over the week, except for the northeast corner which received up to 2.5" of snow.

Mean temperatures for the week were above to near normal for the state. Mean temperatures ranged from 38.1°F in northeast Indiana to 50.9°F in southwest Indiana. Departure from normal temperature ranged from 2.9°F to 8.5°F.

4" soil water content from the Purdue Mesonet Data Hub on March 13, 2025, indicates a range of 4.3% (very sandy soil) to 39.9% available water with a statewide average of 31.9%.

Soil moisture data from the NASA SPoRT Real-time 3km Land Information System is ranging from 40% in northwest Indiana to 70% available water in southeastern Indiana for the 0-100cm soil depth.

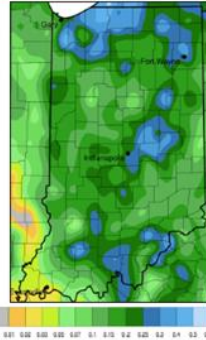
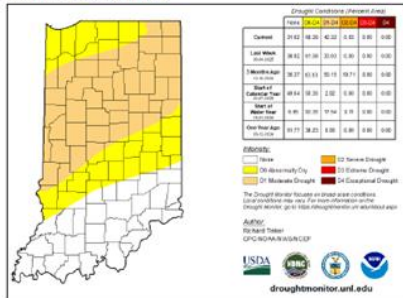


Figure 1. Accumulated rainfall (in.) for March 6-12, 2025, from MRCC.

USDM for the State of Indiana



For March 11, 2025, the U.S. Drought Monitor shows the northern two-thirds of the state are experiencing "abnormally dry" or "moderate drought" conditions. The remaining southern portion of the state is experiencing no drought conditions.

Figure 2. US Drought Monitor for the State of Indiana on March 11, 2025.

Reservoir Levels as of March 13, 2025

Table 1. Reservoirs managed by United States Army Corp of Engineers.

Reservoir	Brookville	Cecil Harden	Cagles Mill	Monroe	Patoka	JE Roush	Salamonie	Mississinewa
Winter Pool ¹	740.0	640.0	630.0	538.0	532.0	737.0	730.0	712.0
Summer Pool ¹	748.0	662.0	639.5	538.0	536.0	749.0	755.0	737.0
Current Pool ¹	741.0	642.4	636.5	538.6	535.6	738.34	730.39	716.05
% Utilization ²	2.06	-3.63	0.36	2.75	19.86	0.1	0.1	1.6

Table 2. Reservoirs managed by Citizens Energy Group³ and AEP/SCG⁴.

Reservoir	Eagle Creek ³	Geist ³	Morse ³	Lake Freeman ⁴	Lake Schaffty ⁴
Normal Pool	790	784.26	809.44	610.55	645.15
Current Pool	788.88	784.50	809.74	610.38	645.16
% Utilization ⁵	-0.6%	---	---	---	---

¹All units in feet and datum NGVD29

²Percent of designed flood storage utilized. The other named reservoirs are not designed for flood storage.

³All units in feet and datum NAVD88.

⁴All units in feet Local Datum.

Groundwater Monitoring Network as of March 12, 2025

Groundwater wells across the state are generally reporting below normal but range from low to near normal. Data is reported from the U.S. Geological Survey Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Water Science Center.

Table 3. Groundwater level rankings relative to normal.

Low <5%	Much Below 5-10%	Below 10-25%
Cass 3 Clark 20 Fulton 7 Hamilton 7 Jasper 13 LaGrange 2 Noble 8 Tippacanoe 18 Vigo 7 Whitley 3	Benton 4 Elkhart 4 Knox 8 La Porte 9 Marion 39 Morgan 4 Randolph 3	Bartholomew 4 Boone 17 Decatur 2 Grant 8 Jefferson 5 Knox 7 Newton 8 Posey 3 Pulaski 7
Near Normal 25-75%	Much Above 75-95%	High >95%
Delaware 4 Grant 10 Harrison 8 Lake 13	Marion 35 Martin 5 Parke 6 Shelby 2	Vanderburgh 7 Wayne 6
None	None	None

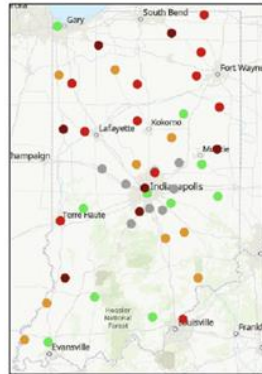


Figure 3. Map of USGS real-time groundwater monitoring wells.

Streamflow Conditions as of March 13, 2025

Streamflow conditions are generally below to much below normal across the state. There are 38 gages reporting normal conditions for the date. There are 1 reporting above normal, 0 reporting much above normal, 1 reporting an all-time high for the date, 67 reporting below normal, 33 reporting much below normal, and 13 reporting an all-time low for the date.

Currently, 52% of stream gages indicate steady flow conditions; 12% are increasing and 34% are decreasing.

Average observed streamflow at real-time USGS observing sites over the past 7-days ending March 11, 2025, averaged 0% reporting an all-time low, 5% much below normal, 31% below normal, 58% near normal, 5% above normal, 1% much above normal, and 0% reporting an all-time high.

USGS and NWS report none of the stream gages in "minor, moderate, or major flood stage" and none of the stream gages are in "action stage". The NWS Long Range Flood Outlook predicts 7 gages with a 50% or greater chance of being in "action stage" through May 2025.

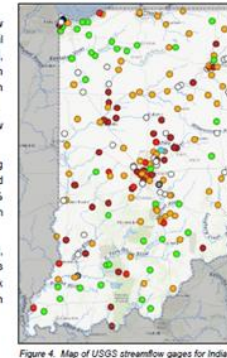


Figure 4. Map of USGS streamflow gages for Indiana.

NOAA 7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast

For March 13, 2025, the 7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast valid for March 13-20, 2025, predicts 1.00" of precipitation in northwest Indiana to 2.50" of precipitation in southeast Indiana. Precipitation is generally predicted to occur early in the week and in the later part of the week.

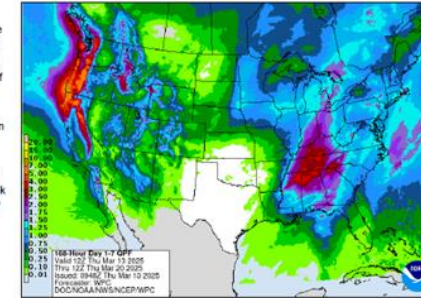
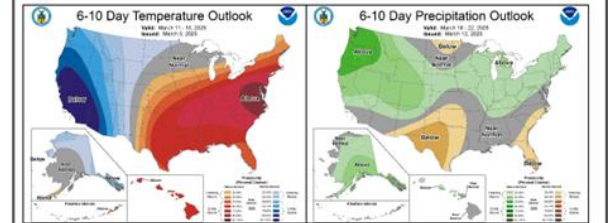


Figure 5. NOAA 7-Day Quantitative Precipitation Forecast, March 13-20, 2025.

NOAA National Weather Service 6-10 Day Outlook

The 6-10 Day Temperature Outlook for March 18-22, 2025, projects a 50-70% chance of above normal conditions across the state with the highest percentages in the northern two-thirds of the state. The Precipitation Outlook projects a 33-40% chance of above normal precipitation for the state.



Figures 6-7. 6-10 Day Temperature and Precipitation Outlook for the US

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Temperature and precipitation data:

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Soil data:

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[Purdue Mesonet Data Hub](#)

Reservoir data:

[US Army Corp of Engineers, Louisville District](#)

[US Army Corp of Engineers, Chicago District](#)

[Citizens Reservoirs at WVE River Observations](#)

[INPSCO Hyatt Plant/Lakes](#)

Groundwater data:

[U.S. Geological Survey Ohio-Kentucky-Indiana Water Science Center](#)

Streamflow data:

[USGS National Water Dashboard](#)

[NWS River Forecast](#)

[USGS WaterWatch](#)

Drought data:

[US Drought Monitor](#)

Forecast:

[National Weather Service, Climate Prediction Center](#)

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- Current data compared to long-term climate trends.
- Including data for:
 - Precipitation
 - Standardized Precipitation Index (SPI)
 - U.S. Drought Monitor
 - Streamflow
 - Lake Michigan levels
 - Reservoirs levels
 - Groundwater levels

Table: Percent of Normal Precipitation

Climatic Division	Region of State	Normal Precipitation January (in)	Precipitation January (in)	Percent of Normal January
1	NW	2.38	0.88	37.0%
2	NC	2.57	1.24	48.2%
3	NE	2.50	1.25	50.0%
4	WC	2.82	1.09	38.7%
5	C	2.99	1.31	43.8%
6	EC	2.94	1.15	39.1%
7	SW	3.39	2.39	70.5%
8	SC	3.56	2.77	77.8%
9	SE	3.37	1.97	58.5%

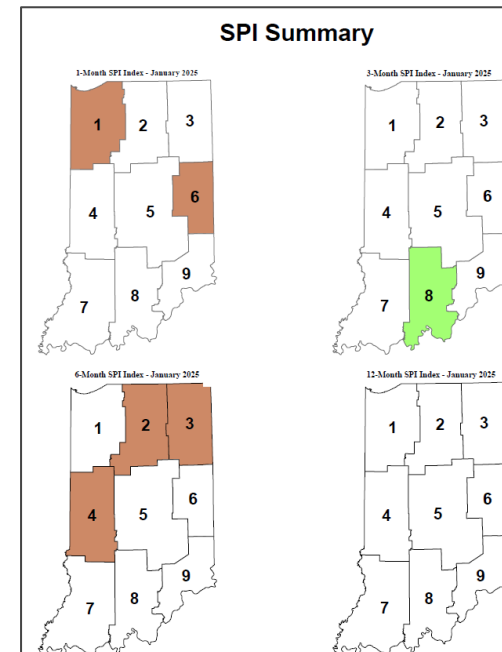
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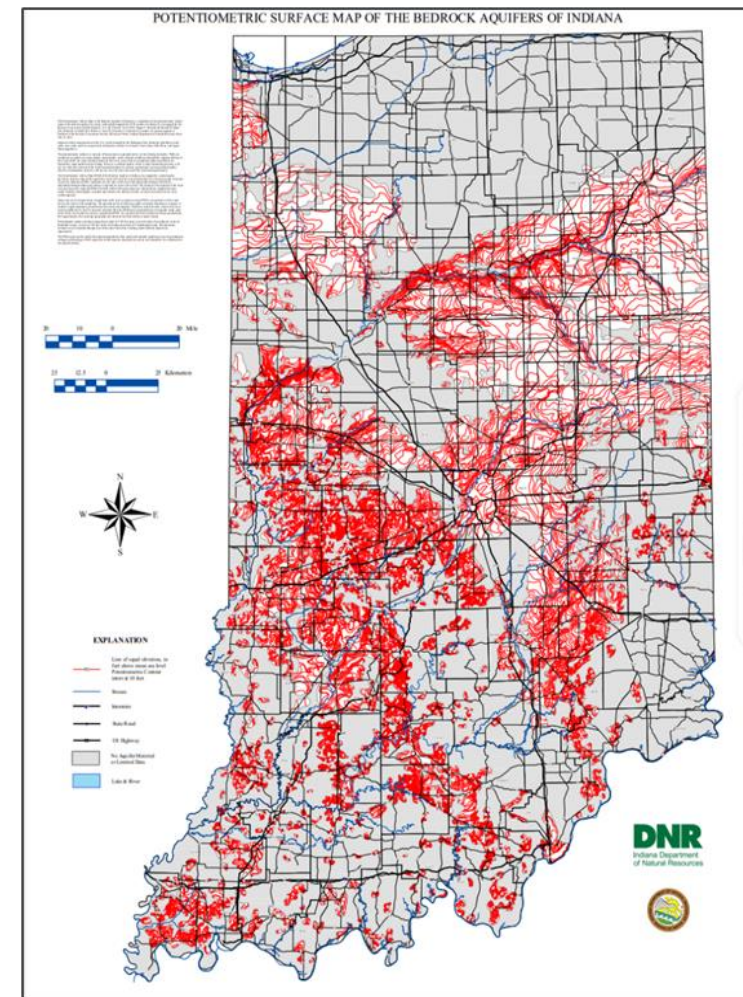
Precipitation

February 2025 Indiana precipitation was below normal, with average temperature near normal. The statewide monthly precipitation average was 63 percent of normal. The overall monthly temperature average for Indiana was 30.3 degrees Fahrenheit or 0.1 degrees below normal.



Upcoming Products

- Mappers, dashboards, enhanced web access to new and existing products:
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