

What PHISH Offers...

- Free technical assistance and site visits for erosion and soil health related issues.
- Free soil sample analysis and recommendations.
- E. Coli, lead and other heavy metal testing information.
- Soil health improvement recommendations and technical assistance.

Our Partners



Technical Providers

Clay County SWCD (812) 446-8986
Greene County SWCD (812) 384 - 4634
Morgan County SWCD (765) 349-2060
Putnam County SWCD (765) 653 - 5716
Sullivan County SWCD (812) 268 - 5157
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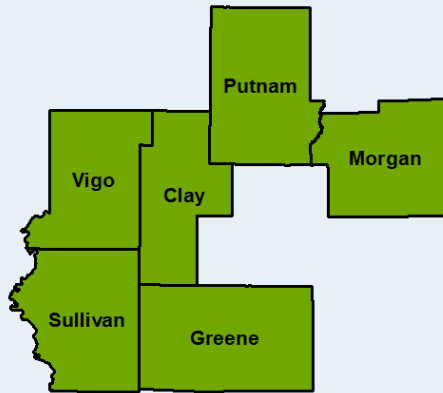


PHISH: People Helping Improve Soil Health

*A Local Working Group
providing educational
and technical assistance
to those in
West-Central Indiana.*



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A Little Bit About Us...

Our group was founded in 2019 with the goal of providing soil health education and improvement for local community members. Since 2019, PHISH have grown to a local working group spanning across six counties: Clay, Greene, Putnam, Sullivan, Vigo, and our newest member Morgan County.

With the help of SWCD employees, NRCS & USDA staff, and other local partners, PHISH has now become an established urban soil health group in west-central Indiana.

As a local working group, PHISH and its members are striving to provide soil health training, education and outreach. Look for upcoming workshop opportunities, or give your local county a call for a free on-site evaluation.

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Soil Health Quick Tips

- ◆ Use Cover Crops! This helps with slowing erosion and the depletion of the soil's nutrients.
- ◆ Rotating crops can support the recycling of the soil's nutrients without the means of a synthetic applicant.
- ◆ SOM, or soil organic matter, consists of decomposing plant/animal material which plays a key part in soil fertility. Adding SOM to sandy soil can help increase the soils ability to retain water.
- ◆ Nutrient management is a method a lot of producers and small scale gardeners use to properly care for their varied plants. Common nutrients found in soil are Nitrogen, Calcium, Magnesium, Potassium, and Phosphorus. Adding or leveling out these nutrients can fix common problems such as yellowing leaves, poor plant growth, or even the inability to produce a flower or fruit.

