

4th Quarter December 5, 2024



Opening Business

- Call to Order
- Introduction/Meeting Instructions
- Roll Call





Lake Michigan

Michigan



Kalamazoo

Calhoun

Van Buren

Berrien

Cass

St. Joseph

Branch

Hillsdale

St. Joseph

Elkhart

LaGrange

Steuben

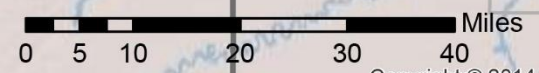
Ohio

Indiana

Noble

DeKalb

Kosciusko



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PURPOSE: *The St. Joseph River Basin Commission exists to provide a forum for the discussion, study and evaluation of water resource issues of common concern and foster cooperative planning and coordinated management of the basin's water and related land resources.*

The St. Joseph River Basin Commission was created by the Indiana General Assembly in 1988 to address water quality issues in the St. Joseph River and all the lakes and streams that flow to it. The enabling statute of the Commission (IC 14-30-3) was amended in 2018 to expand the scope and powers of the Commission to address flooding as well. The Commission seeks to work with agencies, organizations and local units of government to:

- Develop plans and tools to improve water quality or mitigate flooding in the basin;
- Coordinate monitoring of water quality and hydrology in the basin;
- Promote best practices for urban stormwater and rural drainage management;
- Develop strategies to increase water infiltration and storage capacity in the basin;
- Distribute reports on the Commission's objectives, studies, and findings;
- Make recommendations in matters related to the Commission's objectives to political subdivisions in the basin and to other public and private agencies;
- Act as a coordinating agency for programs and activities of other public and private agencies that are related to the Commission's objectives;
- Serve as an advocate of the basin's interests before Congress and federal, state and local government agencies.

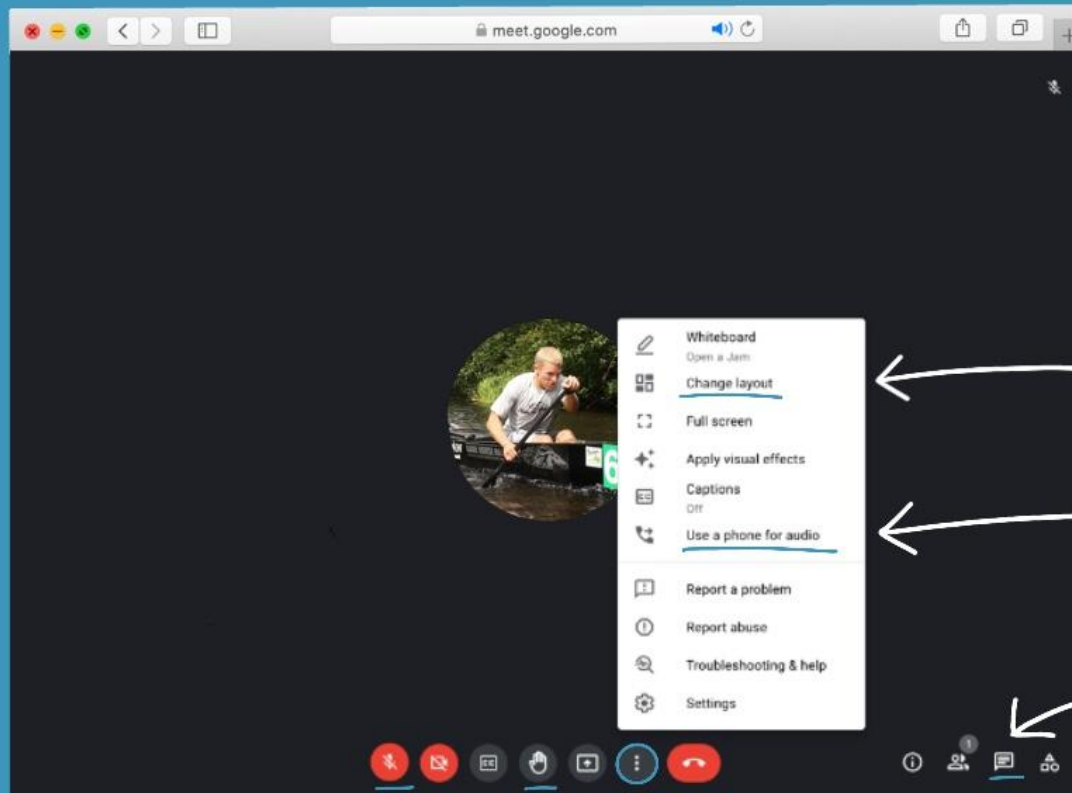
The SJRBC shall consist of the following (or their proxy):

- The **Mayor** of each Class-II City or the Executive of the municipality with the largest population if the County does not have a Class-II city
- A **County Commissioner** from each County
- The **Health Officer** from each County
- The **County Surveyor** from each County
- A **Representative of the SWCD** from each County
- The Director of the Indiana DNR

(paraphrased from IC 14-30-3-8)

Meeting Instructions

- State your name & county when making motions
- No need to state your name when voting



CHANGE LAYOUT

CALL IN

CHAT

MUTE

RAISE HAND

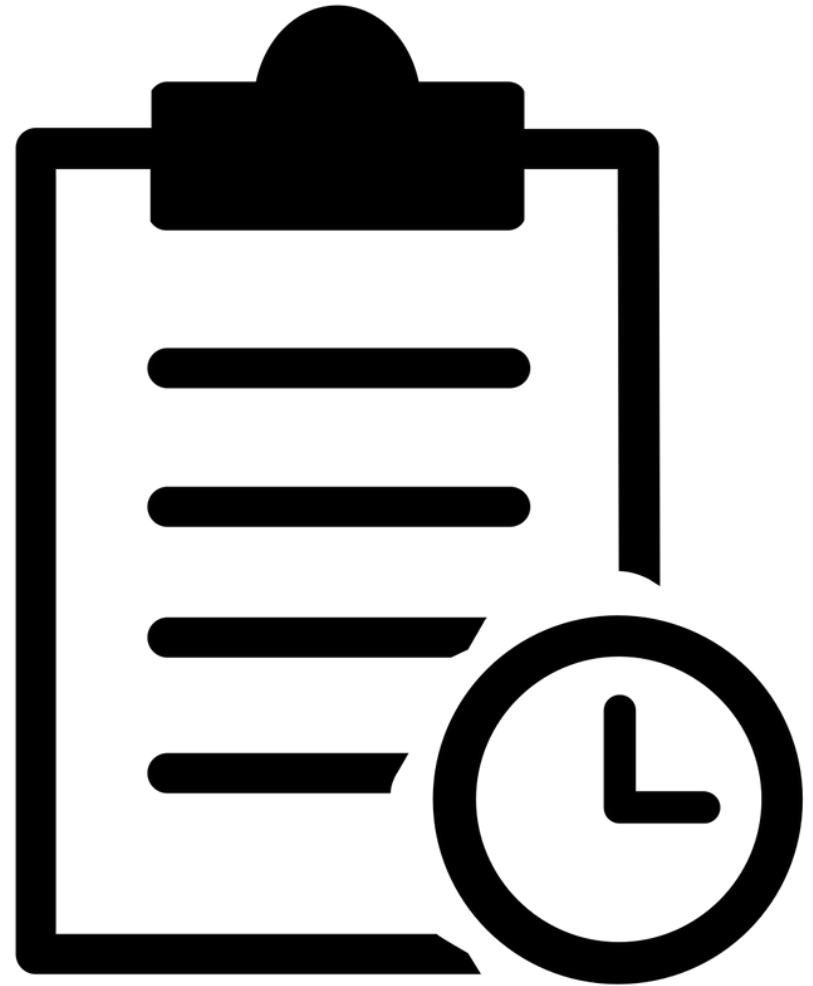
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 - Your Name
 - Your Title/Affiliation
 - Who you represent (if you are a proxy)



Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes
- Financial Report
- Approval of Claims



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 - September 5, 2024



Financial Report – FY 25 Q1 Activities

	FY24 Actual	FY25 YTD	FY25 Budget	% Budget to Date	Notes
REVENUE					
State of Indiana	104,974.00	26,243.50	102,875	26%	
Local Government	66,335.50	3,449.00	67,110	5%	A
Special Projects	35,455.40	0.00	13,200	0%	
Interest	23,460.16	6,364.66	20,000	32%	
Other Income	0.00	0.00			
Total Revenue	230,225.06	36,057.16	203,185	18%	
EXPENSES					
Basic Operations					
SJRBC Director	45,526.56	12,465.87	50,000	25%	
Accounting Services	1,641.87	457.40	3,000	15%	
Office Rent	6,999.96	1,749.99	7,000	25%	
Legal	2,960.00	80.00	3,000	3%	
Bank Service Fees	10.15	35.15	200	18%	
Insurance	518.64	129.66	520	25%	
Travel/Mileage	497.56	45.10	800	6%	
Audit	0.00	0.00	3,000	0%	
Information Technology	999.96	249.99	1,000	25%	
Printing	94.97	24.79	200	12%	
Postage	5.66	0.64	50	1%	
Telephone	240.00	60.00	240	25%	
Misc Expenses	0.00	0.00	250	0%	
Operating Expenses	59,495.33	15,298.59	69,260	22%	
Special Projects					
Water Monitoring	41,218.27	6,413.35	50,000	13%	B
Additional Staff	42,856.75	13,678.17	65,000	21%	C
Member/Partner Support	1,657.42	69.19	2,925	2%	D
Planning/Resource Development	0.00	0.00	8,000	0%	
Education/Outreach Provision	4,875.27	149.90	8,000	2%	
Project Expenses	90,607.71	20,310.61	133,925	15%	
Total Expenses	150,103.04	35,609.20	203,185	18%	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$80,122.02	\$447.96	\$0		

Financial Report – FY 25 Q1 Assets

ASSETS

Cash	
Lake City Account (1944)	\$460,728.55
Total Cash	\$460,728.55
Accounts Receivable	
State of Indiana	\$0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Total Assets	\$460,728.55

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE

Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$27,648.68
Total Liabilities	\$27,648.68
Fund Balance	
Fund Balance FYE 2024	\$432,631.91
Change in Net Assets YTD	\$447.96
Total Fund Balance	\$433,079.87
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$460,728.55

Financial Report – FY 25 Q1 Cash Flows

CASH RECEIPTS

State of Indiana	\$26,243.50
Special Project Revenue	\$0.00
Local Government Appropriation	\$3,449.00
<u>Elkhart County</u>	
City of Elkhart	
City of Goshen	
<u>LaGrange County</u>	
Town of Lagrange	
<u>Noble County</u>	
City of Kendallville	
<u>Steuben County</u>	\$3,449.00
City of Angola	
<u>St Joseph County</u>	
City of South Bend	
City of Mishawaka	
<u>Kosciusko County</u>	
Town of Syracuse	
Interest Earned	\$6,364.66
Total Cash Receipts	\$36,057.16

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Date	Vendor	Check #	Amount
FY25	Cum. Bank Service Charges	n/a	\$35.15
7/22/24	Thorne Grodnik #212206	1430	\$80.00
8/29/24	Kate Barrett - Expense Reimb	1431	\$915.37
9/9/24	MACOG (FY24 - Q4 & AmeriCorps)	1432	\$29,028.99

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SJRBC Claims Submitted for Commission Approval December 5, 2024

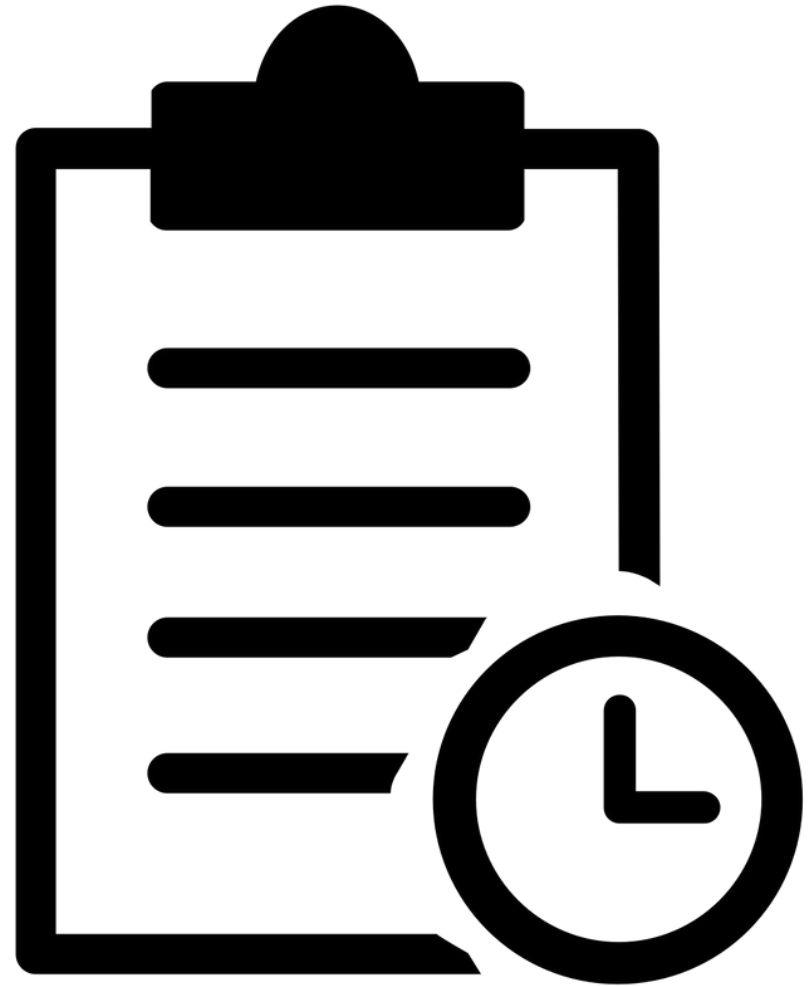
Accounts Payable Voucher Register

Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
7/31/2024	MACOG	Invoice #FY25-1 July 2024 Services	\$5,287.20
8/31/2024	MACOG	Invoice #FY25-2 August 2024 Services	\$10,892.06
9/19/2024	Juozas Gaigalas	Invoice #INV-4 - Webmap Development	\$3,897.98
9/30/2024	MACOG	Invoice #FY25-3 September 2024 Services	\$7,001.44
9/30/2024	MACOG	Invoice #4023 - AmeriCorps Service Site Fee	\$7,500.00
10/7/2024	THORNE GRODNIK	Stmt #213651 - September Meeting Support	\$450.00
11/4/2024	Purdue University	IN Watershed Leadership Academy	\$1,900.00
		Total	\$36,928.68

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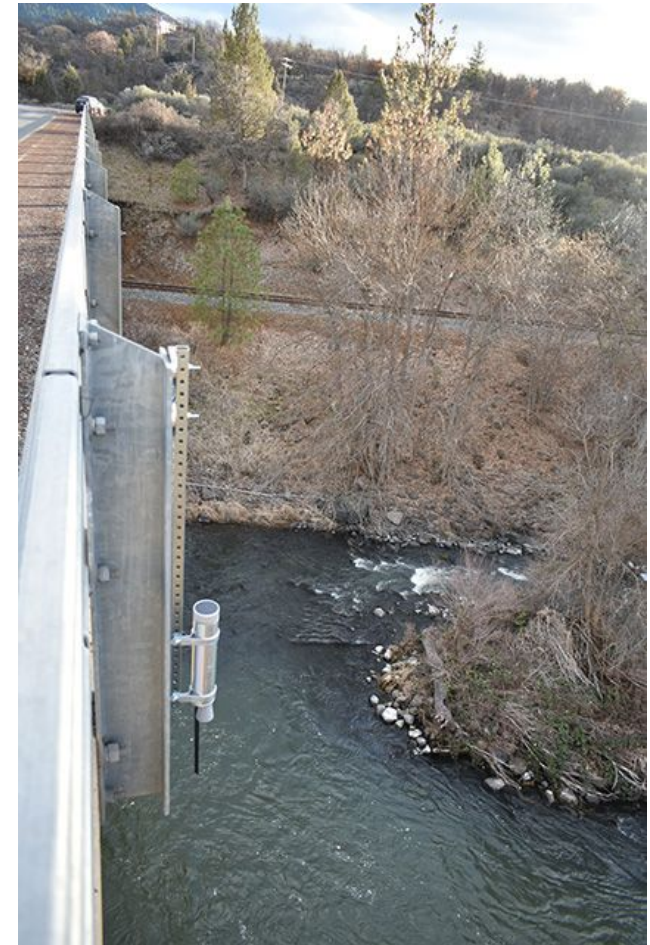
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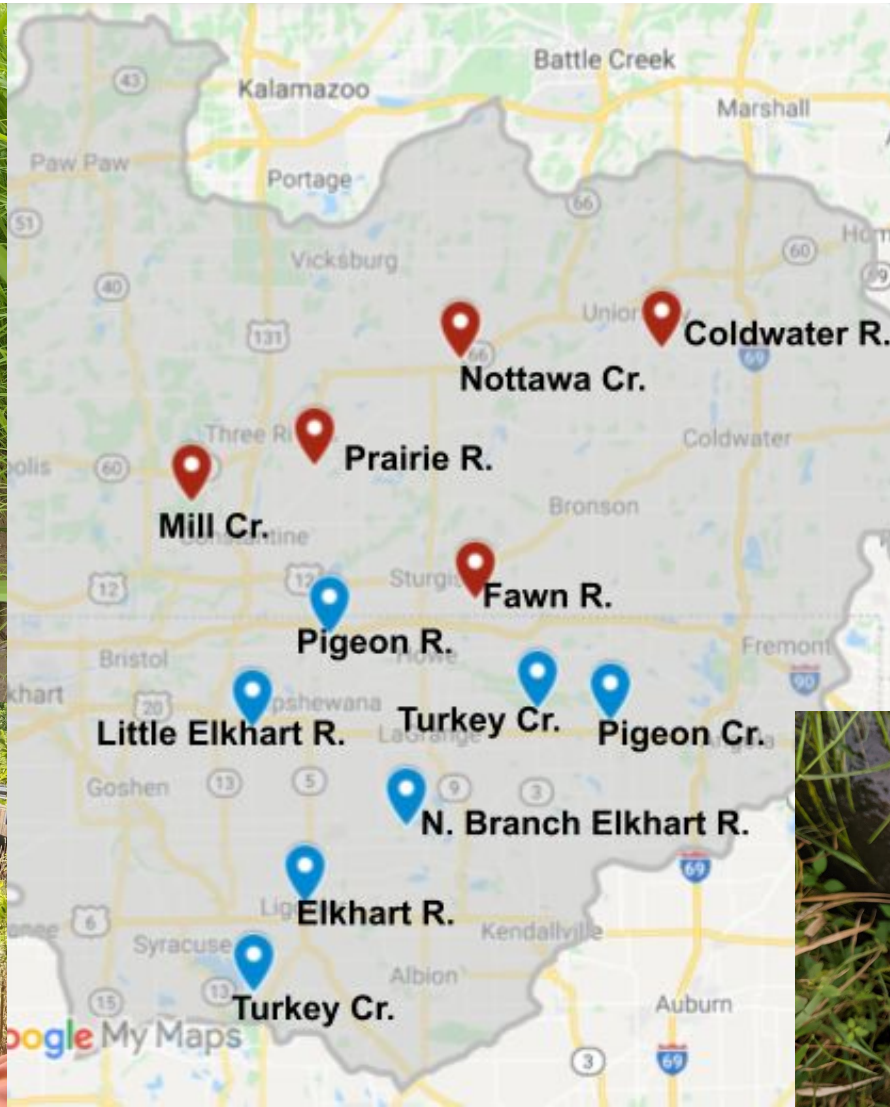


Old Business

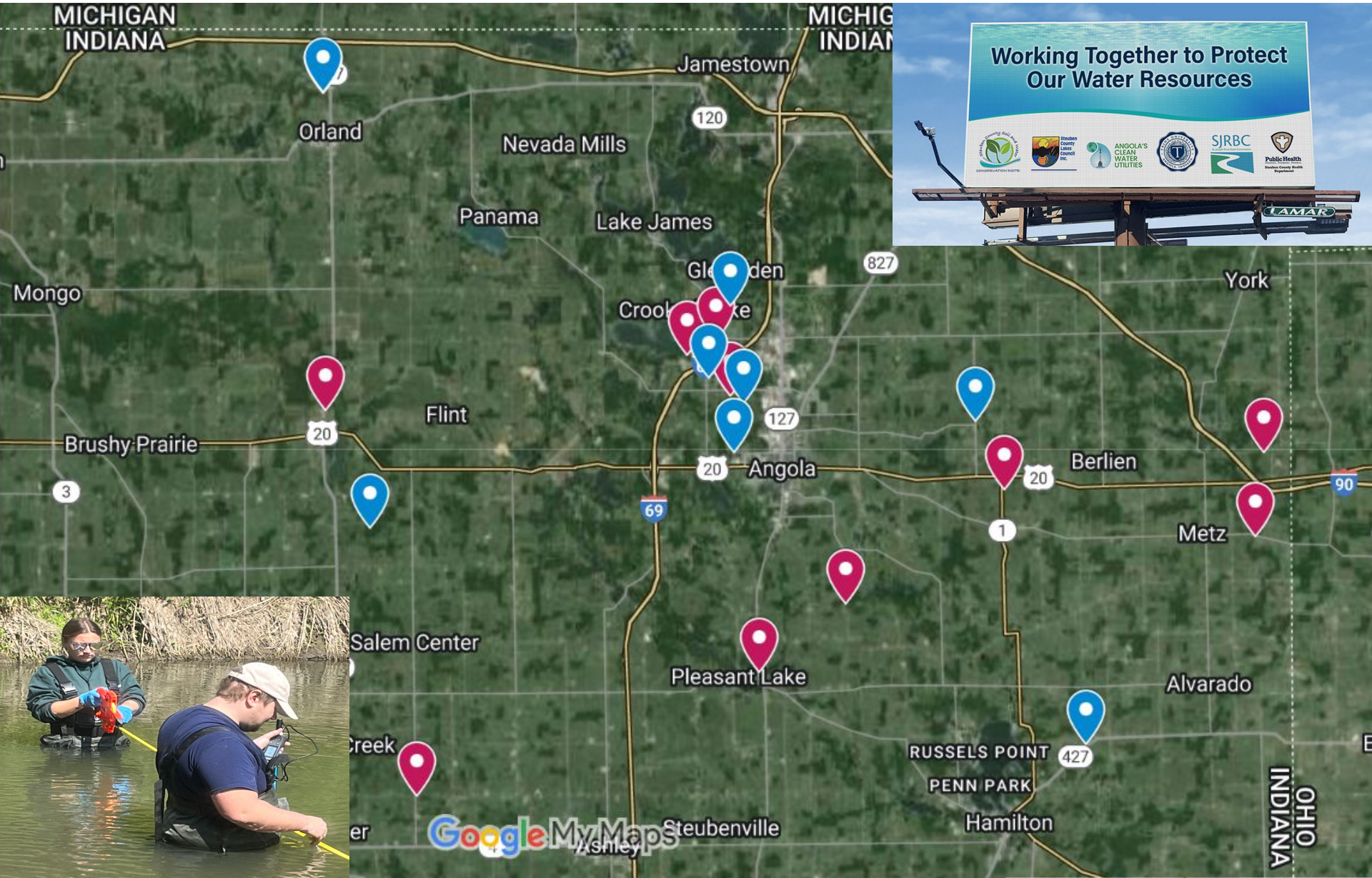
- Water Monitoring Program



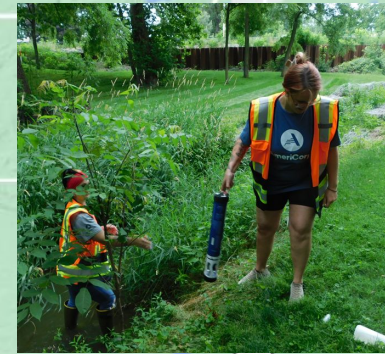
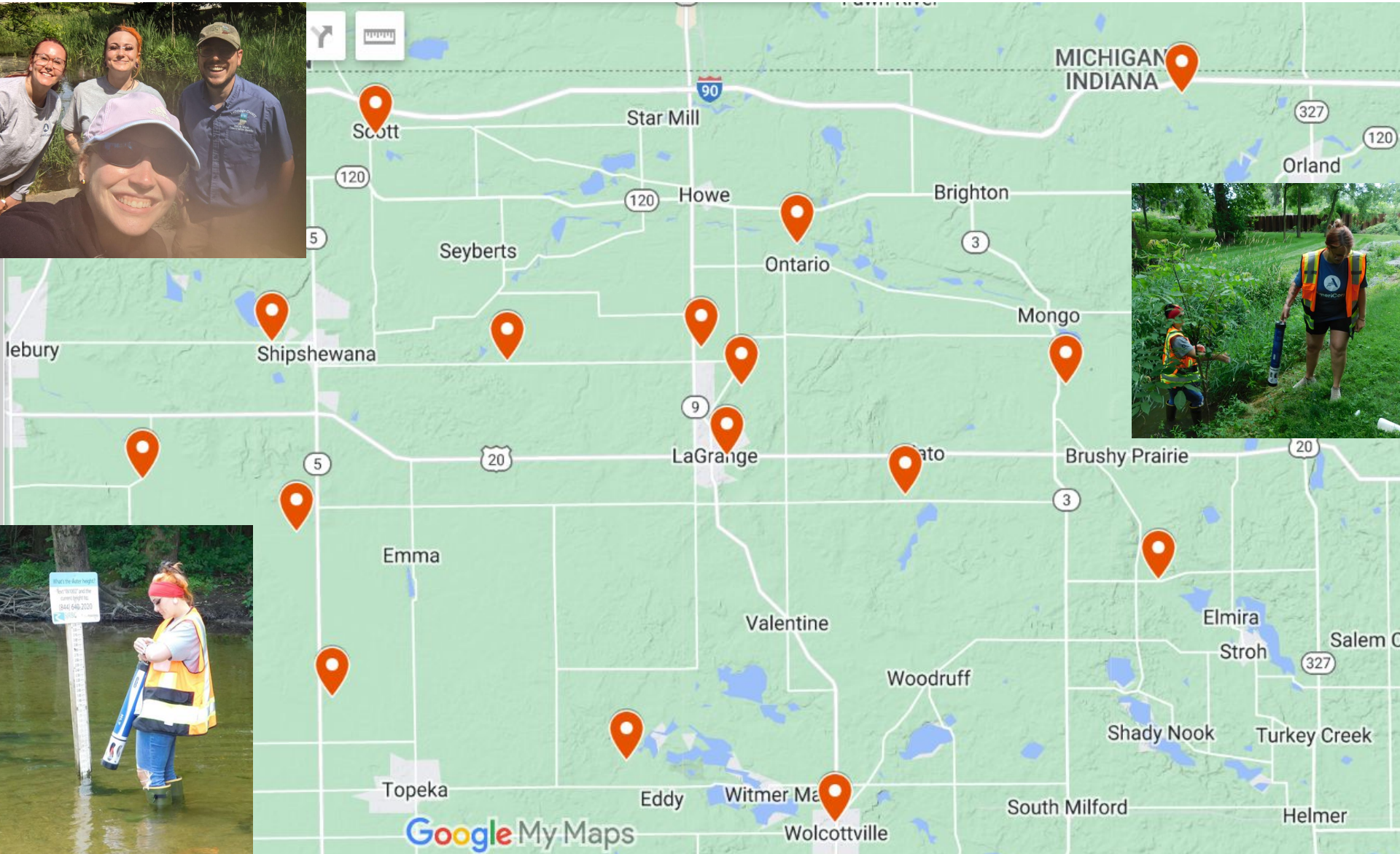
SJRBC Water Quality Monitoring Program Updates



Partner Support: Steuben County



Partner Support: LaGrange County

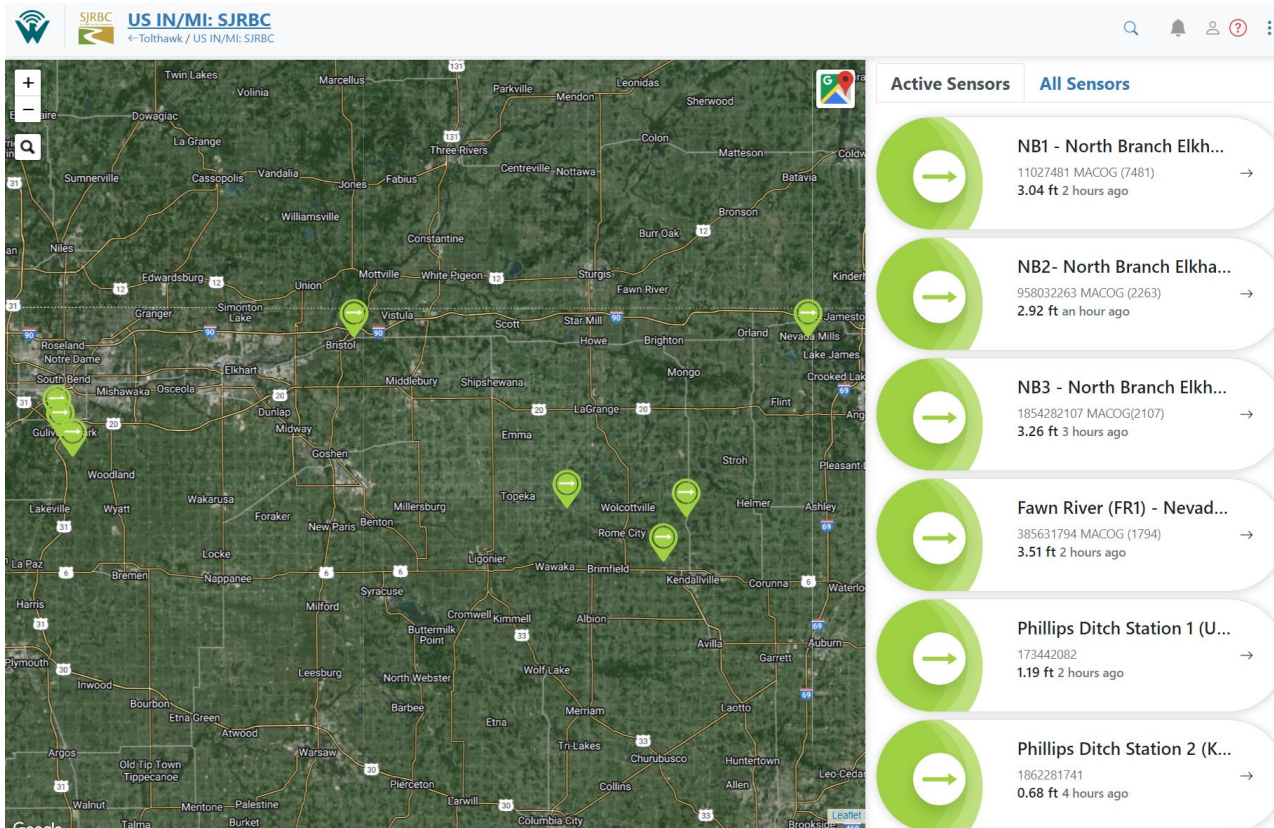


Old Business

- Water Monitoring Program
- Kate's program updates
- Flow monitoring

Tritium Inc.
The Higher Standard

MONSANTO



<https://sensors.tolthawk.com/Dashboard/Index?regionId=49>

Old Business

- Water Monitoring Program
- Watershed Study

GOAL: Quantify the significance of changes in vegetation, soil health, drainage improvement, floodplain connectivity, land management and other factors on hydrological conditions downstream

Used to inform decisions about water management and policies, like:

1. Cost allocation (apportionment of drain maintenance and determination of stormwater fees).
2. Prioritizing and locating infrastructure investment (two-stage ditches, wetland restoration, regional detention, and green infrastructure).

New Business

- Election of 2025 Officers
 - Customary officer progression
 - The existing officers expressed a willingness to serve in the following offices for 2025:
 - *Chair:* Jim Hess, Elkhart County
 - *Vice Chair:* Jewel Wise, Kosciusko County
 - *Secretary:* Ray Hoover, Town of LaGrange



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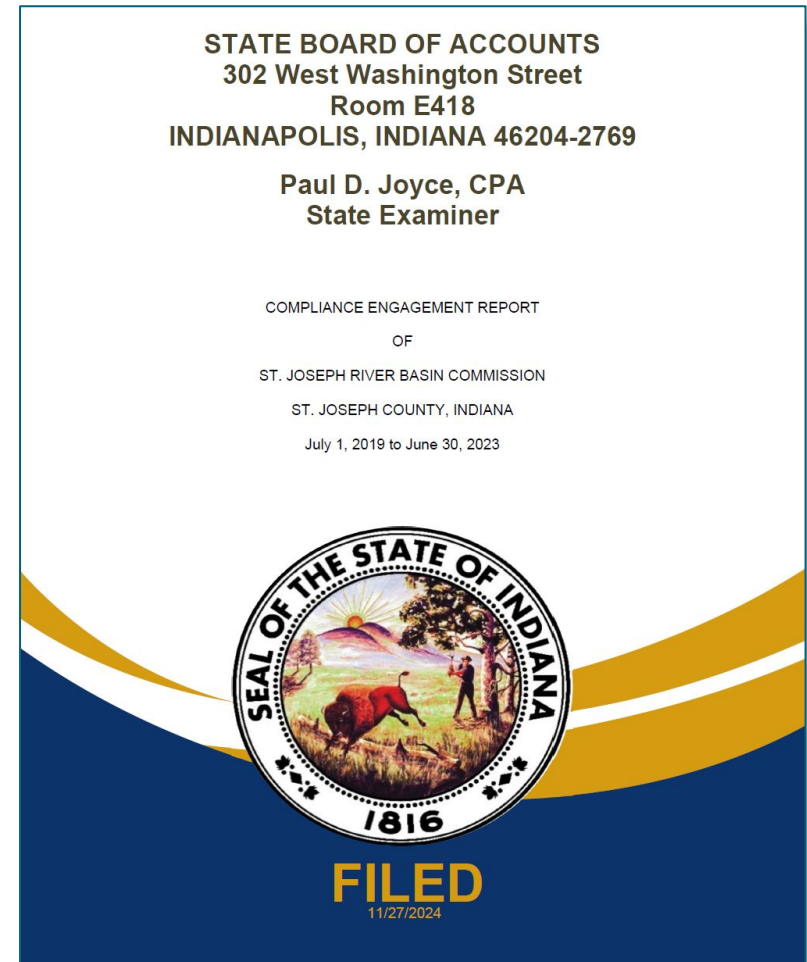
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 - Unless there are other nominations from the floor, we need a motion to accept the following slate of officers for 2025:
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 - *Secretary:* Ray Hoover, Town of LaGrange
 - *Treasurer:* _____, _____



New Business

- Election of 2025 Officers
- Compliance Engagement
 - “No reportable instances of noncompliance”
 - Identified the need for a “**capital asset policy**”
 - SBOA estimated cost to be around \$6,500-\$7,500

<https://www.in.gov/sboa/WebReports/76718A.pdf>



New Business

- Election of 2025 Officers
- Compliance Engagement
- 25th Annual Symposium
 - Coordinate again with *Watershed Celebration?*
 - Looking for topic, speaker, and location suggestions



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- **Other Business/Updates**
 - **Announcements from Commission Members**

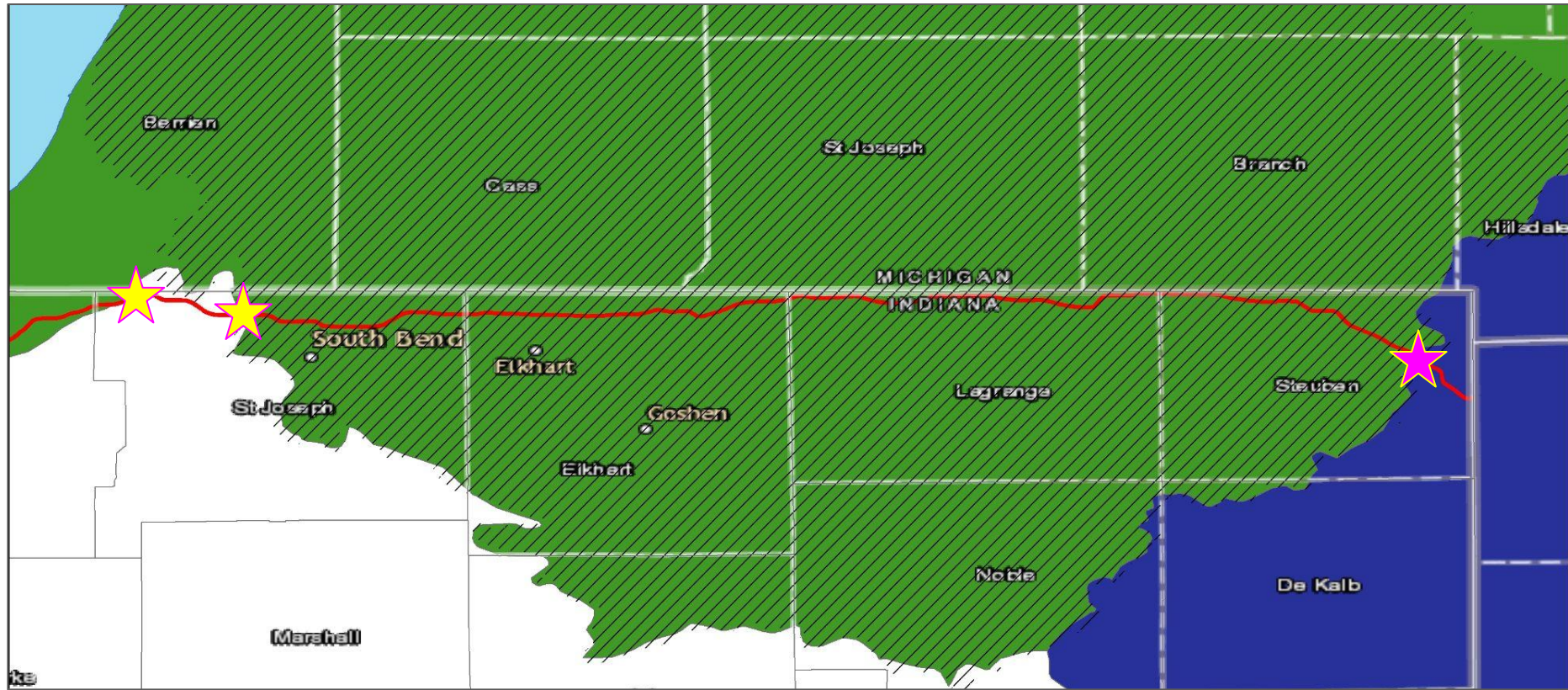


Director's Report

- Administrative
- Education/Outreach
- Planning/Resource Development
- Water Monitoring
- Member/Partner Support
- Advocacy



Planned Sign Locations



**North / South
CONTINENTAL DIVIDE**

QUANTITY 4



**Great Lakes
BASIN DIVIDE**

QUANTITY 2

Sign Design/Quantity



QUANTITY 1



QUANTITY 4



QUANTITY 2



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QUANTITY 2



QUANTITY 1

In the news...



<https://www.abc57.com/news/the-silicon-prairie-water-worries>

Items From the Floor

Other
Misc.
Etc...

Next Meeting
February 27th, 2025

