

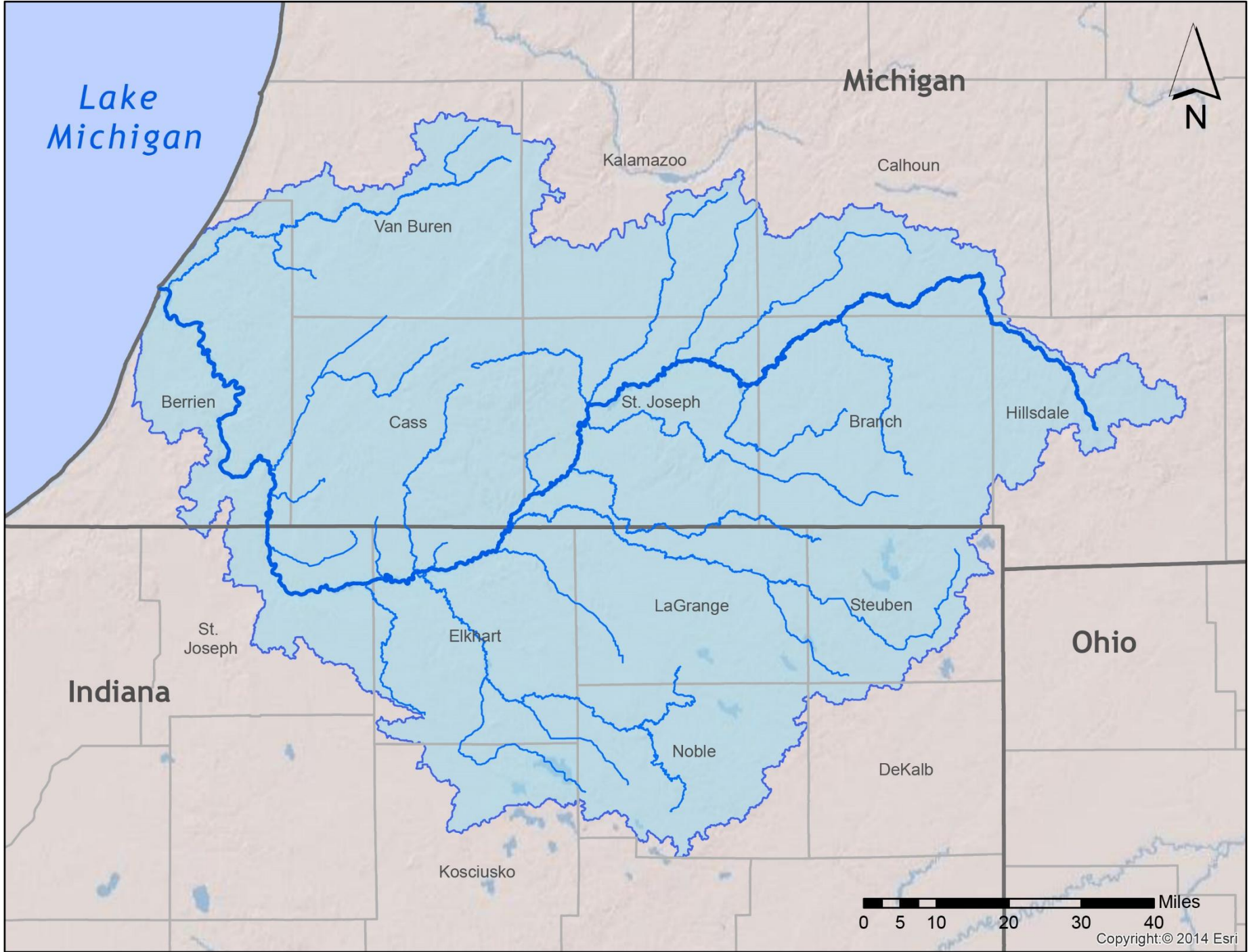
4th Quarter December 4, 2025



Opening Business

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





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.

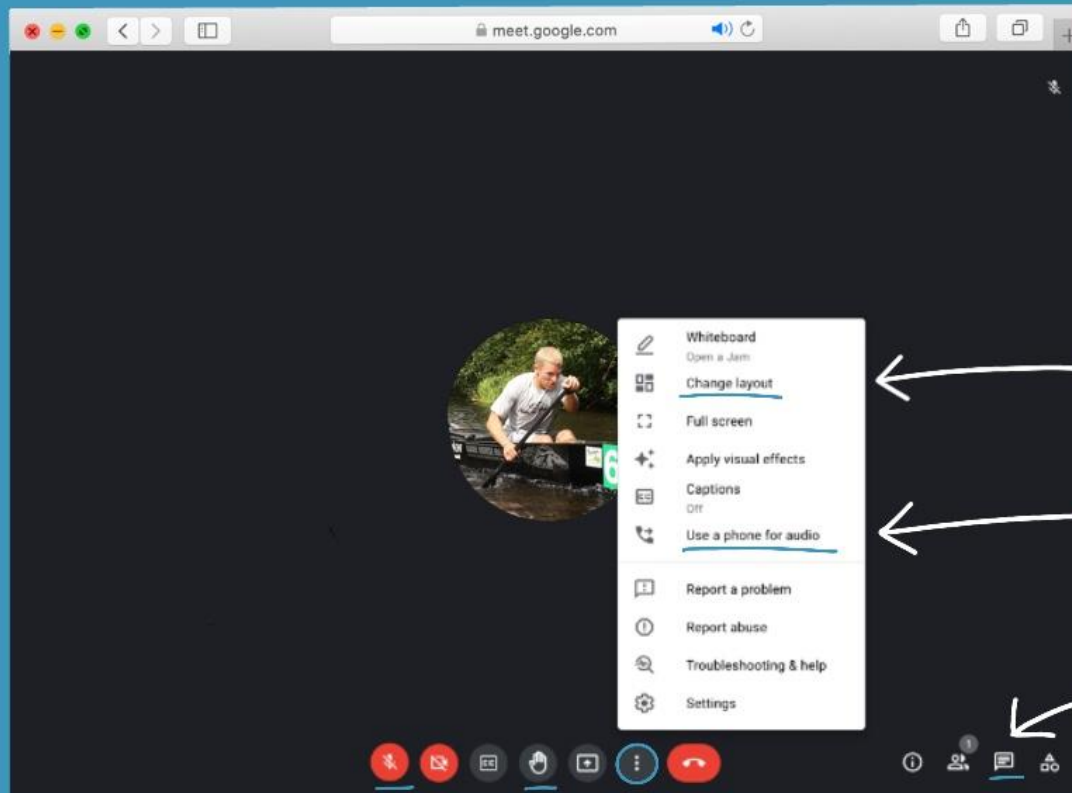
The SJRBC shall consist of the following (or their proxy):

- 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



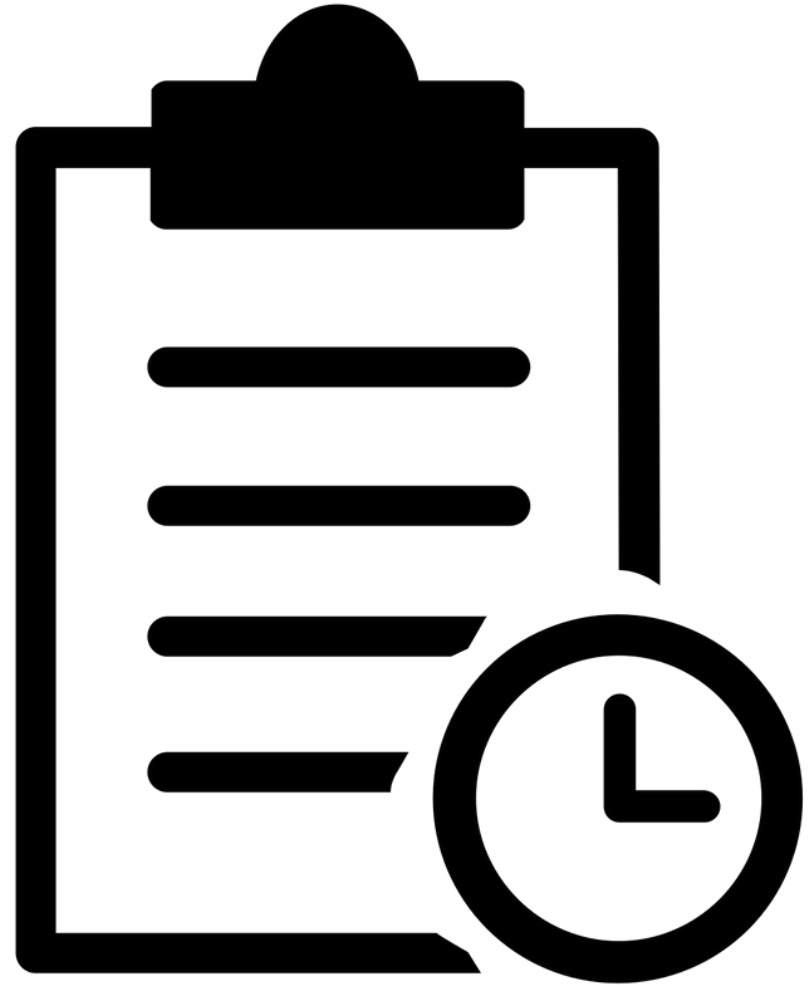
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 - Your Name
 - Your Title/Affiliation
 - Who you represent (if you are a proxy)



Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes
- Financial Report
- Approval of Claims



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 - September 4, 2025



Financial Report – FY 26 Q1 Activities

	FY25 Actual	FY26 YTD	FY26 Budget	% Budget to Date	Notes
REVENUE					
State of Indiana	104,974.00	24,931.25	97,730	26%	
Local Government	71,285.00	0.00	69,260	0%	
Special Projects	135.16	0.00	170	0%	
Interest	23,588.56	5,902.09	20,100	29%	
Other Income	0.00	0.00			
Total Revenue	199,982.72	30,833.34	187,260	16%	

EXPENSES

Basic Operations					
SJRBC Director	49,960.38	12,595.06	53,000	24%	
Accounting Services	1,938.44	730.20	3,000	24%	
Office Rent	6,999.96	1,749.99	7,000	25%	
Legal	2,145.00	584.00	3,000	19%	
Bank Service Fees	35.15	0.00	200	0%	
Insurance	518.64	129.66	520	25%	
Travel/Mileage	246.09	159.17	630	25%	
Audit	3,766.83	0.00	0	0%	
Information Technology	999.96	300.00	1,200	25%	
Printing	88.55	19.50	200	10%	
Postage	10.97	0.69	20	3%	
Telephone	240.00	60.00	240	25%	
Misc Expenses	0.00	0.00	250	0%	
Operating Expenses	66,949.97	16,328.27	69,260	24%	
Special Projects					
Water Monitoring	43,391.65	1,519.76	58,000	3%	A
Additional Staff	16,940.11	437.27	40,000	1%	
Member/Partner Support	8,582.36	68.43	4,000	2%	B
Planning/Resource Development	0.00	0.00	45,000	0%	C
Education/Outreach Provision	4,789.38	249.90	8,000	3%	D
Project Expenses	73,703.50	2,275.36	155,000	1%	
Total Expenses	140,653.47	18,603.63	224,260	8%	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$59,329.25	\$12,229.71	(\$37,000)		

Financial Report – FY 26 Q1 Assets

ASSETS

Cash	
Lake City Account (1944)	\$520,690.74
Total Cash	\$520,690.74
Accounts Receivable	
State of Indiana	\$0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Total Assets	\$520,690.74

LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE

Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$16,499.87
Total Liabilities	\$16,499.87
Fund Balance	
Fund Balance FYE 2025	\$491,961.16
Change in Net Assets YTD	\$12,229.71
Total Fund Balance	\$504,190.87
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$520,690.74

Financial Report – FY 26 Q1 Cash Flows

CASH RECEIPTS

State of Indiana	\$24,931.25
Special Project Revenue	\$0.00
Local Government Appropriation	\$0.00
<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>	
City of Angola	
<u>St Joseph County</u>	
City of South Bend	
City of Mishawaka	
<u>Kosciusko County</u>	
Town of Syracuse	
Interest Earned	\$5,902.09
Total Cash Receipts	\$30,833.34

CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Date	Vendor	Check #	Amount
FY26	Cum. Bank Service Charges	n/a	\$0.00
7/22/25	Thorne Grodnik #218434	1451	\$532.00
8/7/25	MACOG FY25 - Q3	1452	\$16,942.88
8/20/25	J Gaigalas-Webmap INV-7	ACH	\$1,519.76
9/5/25	MACOG FY25 - Q4	1453	\$16,628.01
9/17/25	Thorne Grodnik #219304	1454	\$52.00

Total Cash Disbursements **\$35,674.65**

Net Change in Cash **(\$4,841.31)**

Cash Balance as of 7/1/25 **\$525,532.05**

Cash Balance as of 9/30/25 **\$520,690.74**

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SJRBC Claims Submitted for Commission Approval December 4, 2025

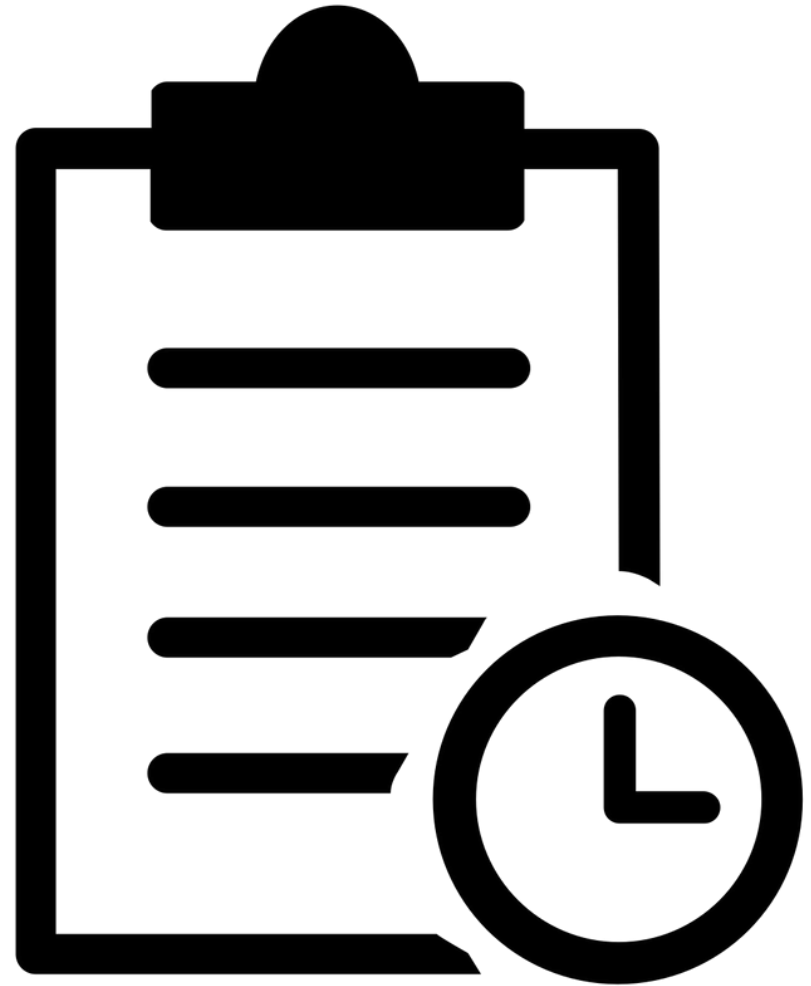
Accounts Payable Voucher Register

Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
7/31/2025	MACOG	Invoice #FY26-1 July 2025 Services	\$3,269.87
8/31/2025	MACOG	Invoice #FY26-2 August 2025 Services	\$7,665.81
9/30/2025	MACOG	Invoice #FY26-3 September 2025 Services	\$5,564.19
10/6/2025	THORNE GRODNIK	Stmt #219890 - HB 1509 & Sep. Mtg. Support	\$530.00
10/13/2025	INTERA	Invoice #09-25-2564 - Tech Strategy & Workplan	\$15,238.02
10/16/2025	Eulora LLC - ToltHawk	Order #S00039 - Replacement Sensors	\$1,804.00
11/12/2025	Purdue University	IN Watershed Leadership Academy	\$1,900.00
11/25/2025	Michiana Irrigation Assoc.	Workshop Registration	\$60.00
		Total	<u>\$36,031.89</u>

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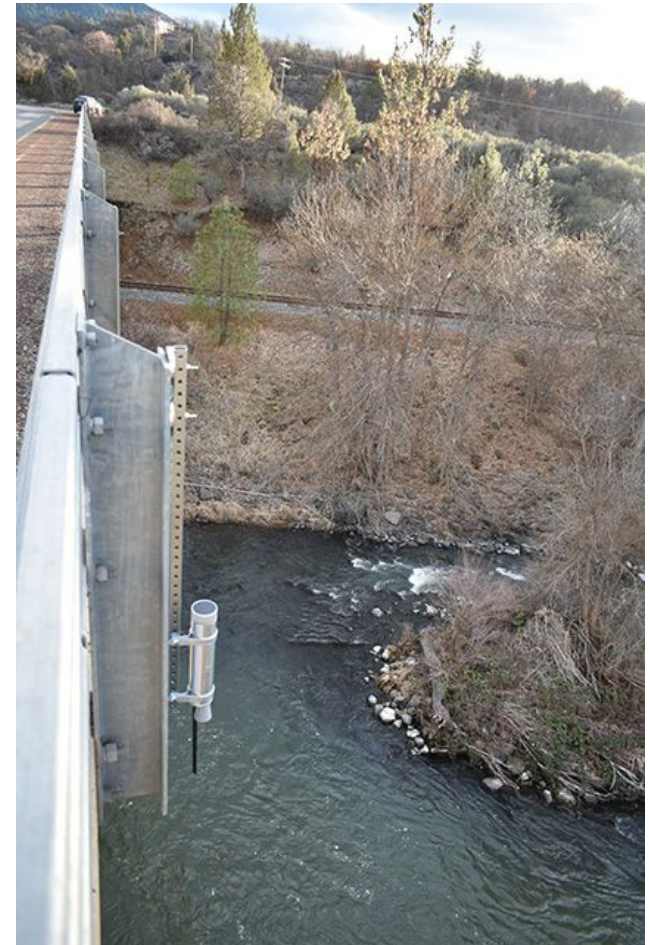
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Questions?



Old Business

- Water Monitoring Program



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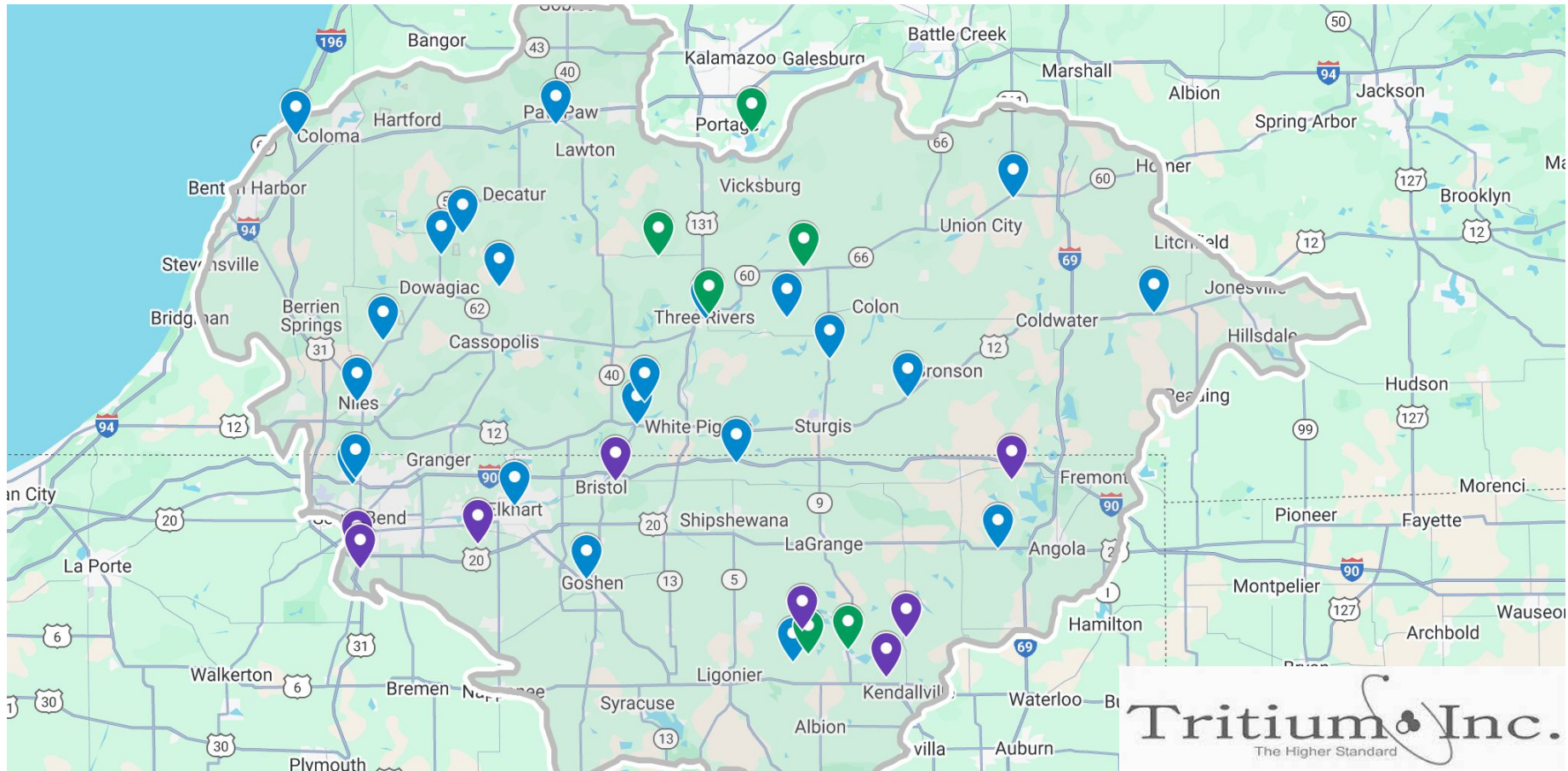
- Water Monitoring Program - QUALITY



<https://data.sjrbc.com/> for this data and more

Old Business

- Water Monitoring Program - QUANTITY



[Google map of continuous surface water monitoring locations](#)

Old Business

- Water Monitoring Program
- Watershed Study

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

This type of study would be an *Assessment of Green Infrastructure*

It could be used to **estimate/predict the health of waterbodies** based on the condition of their watershed.

It could also **inform decisions** about water management and policies, like:

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

Watershed Study

In addition to an *Assessment of Green Infrastructure*, we're exploring other technical studies and planning/management tools like:

- ~~Water Demand & Availability~~ - Being Completed by IDNR
- *Early Warning & Forecasting System* - Initial interviews completed
- *Expanded Monitoring Program* - Technical Memo delivered

Rather than fully developing any of them or tools at this point, we are starting by further **defining and prioritizing each study** including:

- Methodologies
- Level of Effort
- Cost Estimates
- Durations
- Funding Strategies



New Business

- Election of 2026 Officers
 - Customary officer progression
 - Two of our existing officers have expressed a willingness to serve in the following offices for 2026:
 - *Chair:* Jewel Wise, Kosciusko County
 - *Secretary:* Sarah Longenecker, St. Joseph County
 - Randy Sexton expressed willingness to serve as Vice Chair
 - Jim Moyer expressed willingness to serve as Treasurer



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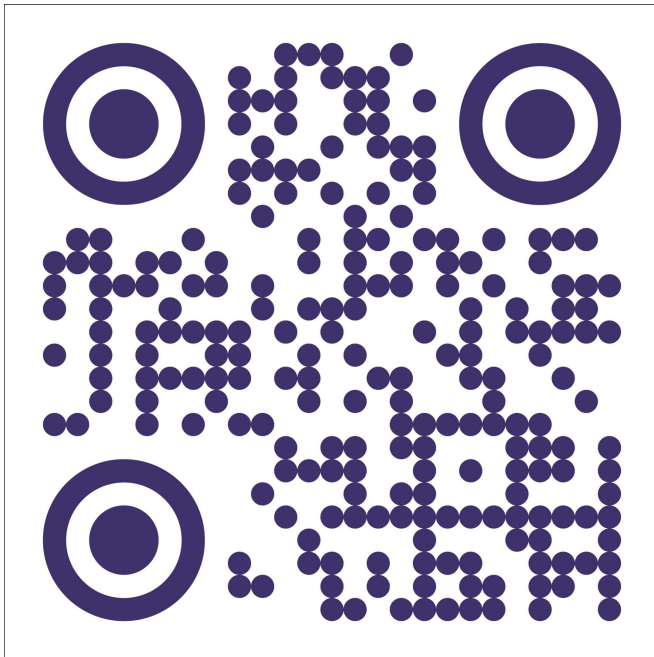
- Unless there are other nominations from the floor, we need a motion to accept the following slate of officers for 2026:

- *Chair:* Jewel Wise, Kosciusko County
- *Vice Chair* Randy Sexton, Noble County
- *Secretary:* Sarah Longenecker, St. Joseph County
- *Treasurer:* Jim Moyer, Kosciusko County



New Business

- Election of 2026 Officers
- Communication, Connection and Data Collection
 - Support for efforts to **communicate** the impact of land use on water resources, **connect** water users with land owners, and **collect data** on land/water management practices



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New Business

- Election of 2026 Officers
- Communication, Connection and Data Collection
- 26th Annual Symposium
 - Coordinate again with Watershed Celebration?
 - Looking for topic, speaker, and location suggestions



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- Election of 2026 Officers
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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



Items From the Floor

Other
Misc.
Etc...

Next Meeting
March 5th, 2026



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St. Joseph River Basin Commission