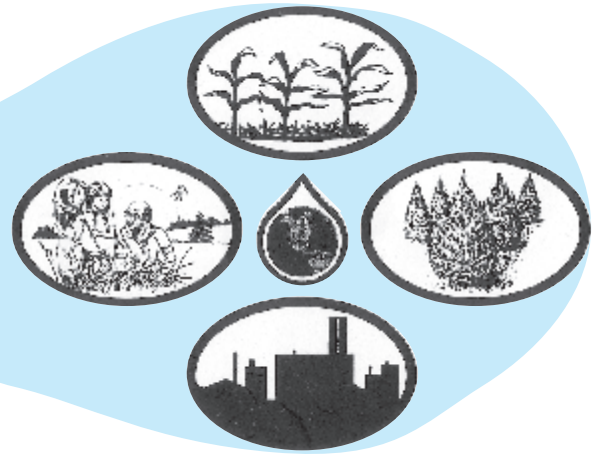




St. Joseph
County
Soil & Water
Conservation
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Today's Visions for Tomorrow's Future

November/December 2014 2903 Gary Drive, Ste 1, Plymouth, IN 46563 Telephone (574) 936-2024
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What's Going On...

*Events hosted by the St. Joseph County SWCD
& Our Partners in Conservation*

November:

11th - Happy Veteran's Day! -
Office Closed

18th - St. Joseph County SWCD
Board Meeting (7:00 pm @
Centre Township Branch
Library)

27th - Happy Thanksgiving! -
Office Closed

December:

16th - St. Joseph County SWCD
Board Meeting (7:00 pm @
Centre Township Branch
Library)

25th - Merry Christmas! -
Office Closed

January:

1st - Happy New Year! - Office
Closed

12-13th - IASWCD Annual
Conference

19th - Martin Luther King, Jr's
Birthday (observed) - Office
Closed

20th - St. Joseph County SWCD
Board Meeting (7:00 pm @
Centre Township Branch
Library)

30th - St. Joseph County SWCD
55th Annual Meeting (see p.
4 for more details)

February:

11th - Tree Selection and
Planting Seminar, 6:30 pm @
the Centre Township Branch
Library)

Have You Heard? ...

It's that time of year...

You have harvested the crop and are ready to think about next years' growing season! As you harvested the crop, did you notice areas that may benefit from conservation treatments to improve the health of the soil and crops on a long term basis? When you traveled over your field, you may have noticed things like wheel tracks, gullies, or places where the crop didn't grow well. These may indicate areas of soil erosion, soil compaction, or some other problem where we can help!



Gully Erosion

The Natural Resources Conservation Service's programs offers year around assistance to people for enhancing our water systems, soils, and wildlife habitats which can help reduce damages caused by natural events such as erosion, flooding, and other natural disasters. NRCS offers voluntary programs to eligible landowners and agricultural producers to provide financial and technical assistance to help manage natural resources in a sustainable manner. Through these programs the agency can help plan and implement conservation

practices that address natural resource concerns or opportunities to help save energy, improve soil, water, plant, air, animal and related resources on agricultural lands and non-industrial private forest land.

For additional information, please contact us at your local service center at:

USDA Service Center
2903 Gary Drive
Plymouth, IN 46563
Phone: 574-936-2024 ext. 4

Or, visit our web page at:
<http://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/main/in/programs/>



Field with Cover Crop

Thank you again to all of our generous donors in 2014!

SPECIES INFORMATION SHEET

KEY

SOIL DRAINAGE	PLANT PRODUCTS	SUNLIGHT NEEDS	GROWTH RATE
(W) - Wet (D) - Dry	C - Cone FR - Fruit	S - Shade FS - Full Sun	SL - Slow F - Fast
(M) - Moist	N - Nut S - Seed FL - Flower	PS - Partial Sun	M - Medium

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT USE			
B - Borders, Screens Be - Beauty	E - Erosion Control H - Home Sites	S - Shade T - Timber	W - Windbreak WL - Wildlife

SPECIES	MATURE HEIGHT	GROWTH RATE	SOIL DRAINAGE	PLANT PRODUCTS	SUNLIGHT NEEDS	SALT TOLERANT	REMARKS
EVERGREENS							
American Arborvitae	30-60'	M	Most Soils	C/S	FS	NO	B, Be, E, H, W, WL
Fraser Fir	30-40'	S	M	C/S	PS-FS	NO	B, Be, E, H, T, W, WL; Makes a great christmas tree!
Norway Spruce	50-75'	M - F	M	C/S	FS	NO	B, Be, E, H, W, WL
White Pine	75-100'	F	M, D	C/S	PS-FS	NO	B, Be, E, H, T, W, WL
White Spruce	40-60'	M	M, D	C/S	FS	INTERMEDIATE	B, Be, E, H, W, WL
DECIDUOUS TREES							
Black Walnut	70-100'	S - M	M	FL/FR/N	FS	YES	Be, E, H, T, WL; Valuable timber
Birch, Yellow	70-80'	Very Fast	Most Soils	FL/FR/S	PS-FS	INTERMEDIATE	Be, E, H, S, T, W, WL; 5-8'/year
Sugar Maple	60-80'	M - F	M, D	FL/FR/S	PS-FS	NO	Be, E, H, S, T, WL
Sycamore	70-80'+	M - F	Most Soils	FL/N	PS-FS	YES	Be, E, H, S, T, WL; Very Hardy
Tulip Poplar	70-100'+	F	M, D	FL/FR/S	PS-FS	INTERMEDIATE	Be, E, H, S, T, WL; State tree
Black Oak	65-80'	M-F	M	FL/FR/N	PS-FS	YES	Be, H, S, T WL, E
FLOWERING TREES							
American Plum	15-20'	M	M, D	FL/FR/S	PS-FS	NO	B, BE, H, W, WL
Butterfly Bush	4-6'	F	M, D	FL	PS-FS	NO	Be, H, WL; Attracts birds and butterflies!
American Mountain Ash	10-30'	S	M, D	FL/FR/S	FS	YES	B, Be, H, WL; Birds love it!
Red Bud	25'-35'	M	D	FL/FR/S	S-FS	NO	Be, H, S, WL; Spring Color!!!
Roselow Sargent Crabapple	2-12'	M	M, D	FL/FR/S	FS	NO	Be, H, W, WL;
Shadblow Serviceberry	10-20'	M	M, D	FL/FR/S	S-FS	YES	Be, H, S, WL; First to bloom in spring
Kousa Dogwood	15-25'	S-M	M, D	FL/FR/S	FS	NO	Be, H, S, WL; Beautiful flowering tree.
GROUNDCOVER						25 rooted cuttings cover 12.5-25 square feet	
Pachysandra	10-12"	SL - M	M	FL/FR	PS-S	NO	B, Be, E, H; Thrives under pines
WILDFLOWER SEED						1 oz packet covers 250 square feet	
American Wildflower Mix	12-36"	SL -M	Most Soils	S/FL	FS-PS	Depending on Variety	Be, H, WL
Bird & Butterfly Mix	12-36"	SL -M	Most Soils	S/FL	FS-PS		Be, H, WL

**The St. Joseph County SWCD is sponsoring a Tree Selection and Planting Seminar on February 11, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.
Please call the office for details and to reserve your spot.**

Terms and Conditions

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| *Name: | 1. Orders of 500 or more trees per species receive a discount.
Call for pricing information. |
| *Address: | 2. Orders must be postmarked no later than: March 1, 2015
Orders will be filled on first come first served basis. |
| *City, State, Zip | 3. Trees are available to anyone and may be planted without restriction. |
| *Phone: | 4. We reserve the right to make alterations if necessary. |
| | 5. We DO NOT give replacements or refunds. |
| | 6. Sizes may vary due to weather conditions beyond our control. |

Email:	Make all checks payable to:	St. Joseph County SWCD
		2903 Gary Drive
		Plymouth, IN 46563
		574-936-2024 ext 4

* Required Information

By Providing your email address above you are electing to receive next year's tree sale flyer, and any other tree sale news by email SJC SWCD respects your privacy and will never sell or share your information. You may opt out at any time.

(Office use)	Order # T2015-	Order confirmations will be mailed in late March 2015
		Please call for pricing on packs of 500 and up

Fill in Number of packages and Total	Pack of 5	Pack of 10	Pack of 25	Pack of 50	Pack of 100	Total \$
American Arborvitae 18-24"	x \$ 11.00	x \$ 21.00	x \$ 50.00	x \$ 100.00	x \$ 200.00	
Fraser Fir 10-14"	x \$ 10.30	x \$ 19.60	x \$ 46.50	x \$ 93.00	x \$ 186.00	
Norway Spruce 14-28"	x \$10.00	x \$ 19.00	x \$45.00	x \$ 90.00	x \$ 180.00	
White Pine 14-22"	x \$ 9.00	x \$ 17.00	x \$ 40.00	x \$ 80.00	x \$ 160.00	
White Spruce 12-18"	x \$9.50	x \$ 18.00	x \$42.50	x \$ 85.00	x \$ 170.00	
Black Walnut 14-24"	x \$ 8.30	x \$ 15.60	x \$ 36.50	x \$ 73.00	x \$ 146.00	
Birch, Yellow 18-24"	x \$ 10.20	x \$ 19.40	x \$ 46.00	x \$ 92.00	x \$ 184.00	
Sugar Maple 18-24"	x \$7.70	x \$ 14.40	x \$ 33.50	x \$ 67.00	x \$ 134.00	
Sycamore 18-24"	x \$ 7.00	x \$ 13.00	x \$ 30.00	x \$ 60.00	x \$ 120.00	
Tulip Poplar 18-24"	x \$ 6.90	x \$ 12.80	x \$ 29.50	x \$ 59.00	x \$ 118.00	
Black Oak 12-20"	x \$ 10.50	x \$ 20.00	x \$ 47.50	x \$ 95.00	x \$ 190.00	
American Plum 18-24"	x \$ 8.60	x \$ 16.20	x \$ 38.00	x \$ 76.00	x \$ 152.00	
Butterfly Bush 18-24"	x \$ 9.80	x \$ 18.60	x \$ 44.00	x \$ 88.00	x \$ 176.00	
American Mountain Ash 12-18"	x \$ 9.00	x \$ 17.00	x \$ 40.00	x \$ 80.00	x \$ 160.00	
Red Bud 18-24"	x \$ 10.50	x \$ 20.00	x \$ 47.50	x \$ 95.00	x \$ 190.00	
Roselow Sargent Crabapple 18-24"	x \$ 8.20	x \$ 15.40	x \$ 36.00	x \$ 72.00	x \$ 144.00	
Shadblow Service-berry 18-24"	x \$ 6.80	x \$ 12.60	x \$ 29.00	x \$ 58.00	x \$ 116.00	
Kousa Dogwood 18-24"	x \$ 6.80	x \$ 12.60	x \$ 29.00	x \$ 58.00	x \$ 116.00	
Pachysandra (25 plants)			x \$ 15.50			
American Wild-flower Mix (1 oz.)	x \$ 7.50					
Bird & Butterfly Mix (1 oz.)	x \$ 7.50					

Order Subtotal	
x Sales Tax @ 7%	
Order Total	

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St. Joseph County Soil And Water Conservation Partnership

Happy Holidays!

It feels strange to say it but the holiday season will be upon us soon! All of us here at the SWCD wish you safe and joyful holidays!

55th Annual Meeting

To be held at St. Hedwig Memorial Center in South Bend on January 30, 2015. Doors open at 5:45 pm and the call to order is at 6:30 pm. We will enjoy a family style Polish dinner and have our ever popular silent auction. Entertainment this year will be speaker and comedian Craig Tournquist! Call the office for more details or to order your tickets!

2015 Producers' Meeting

We are working on the agenda and speaker lineup for the 2015 Producers' Meeting. It will be held in March 2015 and PARP credits will be available. More details to come...

Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) Supervisors:

John Dooms, Chair
 Jeremy Cooper, Vice Chair
 Mike Burkholder, Member
 Arlene Schuchman, Member
 Stacey Silvers, Member

SWCD Associate Supervisors:

Dave Craft
 Jan Ivkovich
 Melvin Kulwicki
 Jim LaFree
 Charles Lehman
 Joe Long
 Randy Matthys
 Carole Riewe
 Richard Schmidt
 Dale Stoner
 Dave Vandewalle
 Paul Williams, III
 Dru Wrasse

SWCD Honorary Members:

Bernard Byrd
 Al Gostola
 Jerry Knepp
 Keith Lineback
 William Millar

St. Joseph County Soil & Water Conservation Partnership Staff:

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 Rick Glassman, SWCD
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 James Rodriguez, NRCS

Farm Service Agency Staff:

Gideon Nobbe, CED
 Linda Bentele
 Aldona Martin
 Cindy Slonaker
 Abby Curtis

Are you ready to "GO GREEN" and help us save money and natural resources? We can deliver your "Conservation Kaleidoscope" newsletter by email ... Give us a call or send us an email and tell us you'd like to "GO GREEN" (: THANK YOU!!!!