

1st Quarter
March 4, 2021



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

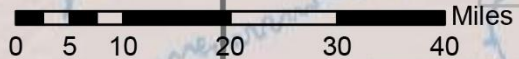
Ohio

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.

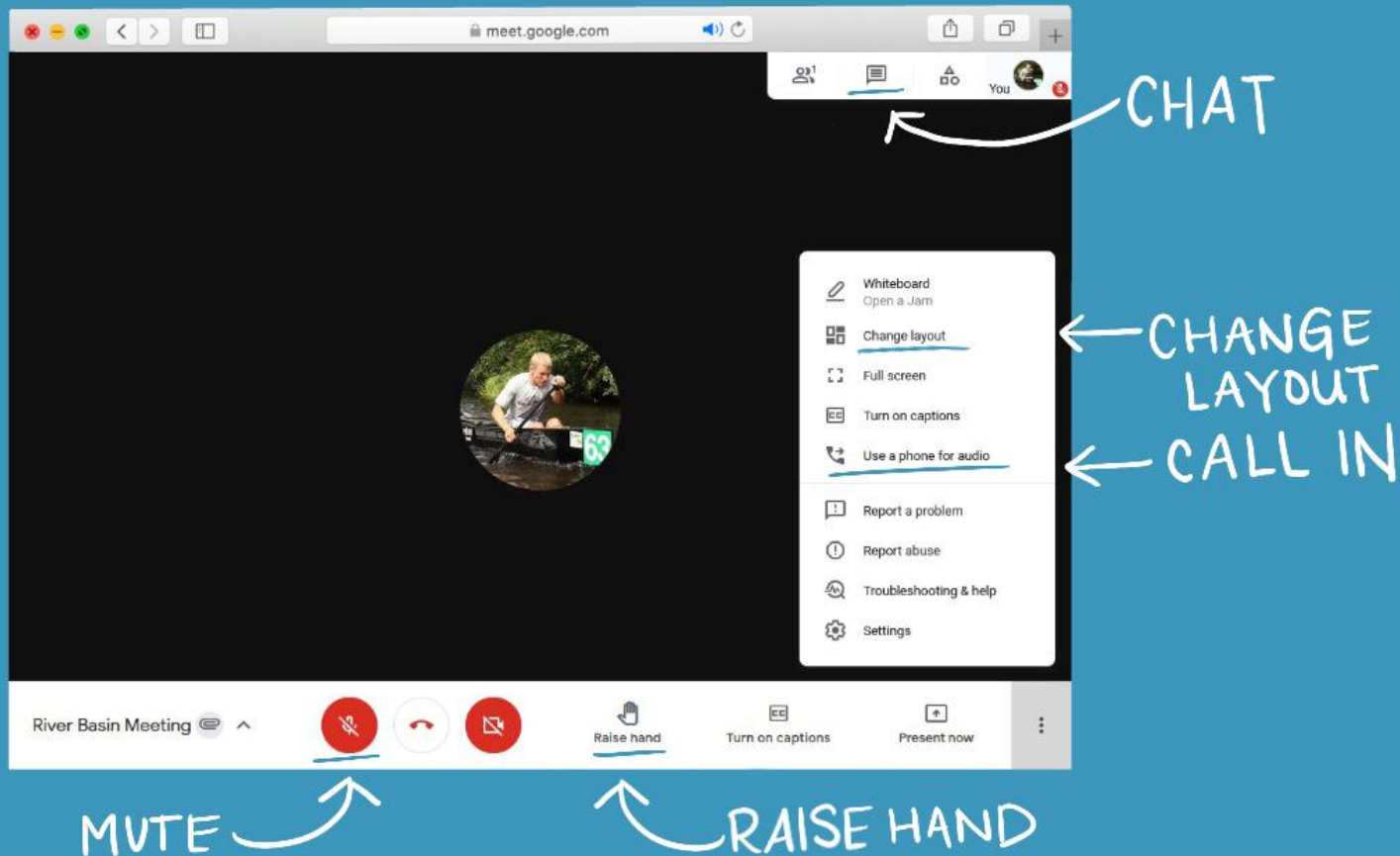
The SJRBC shall consist of the following (or their proxy):

- 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)

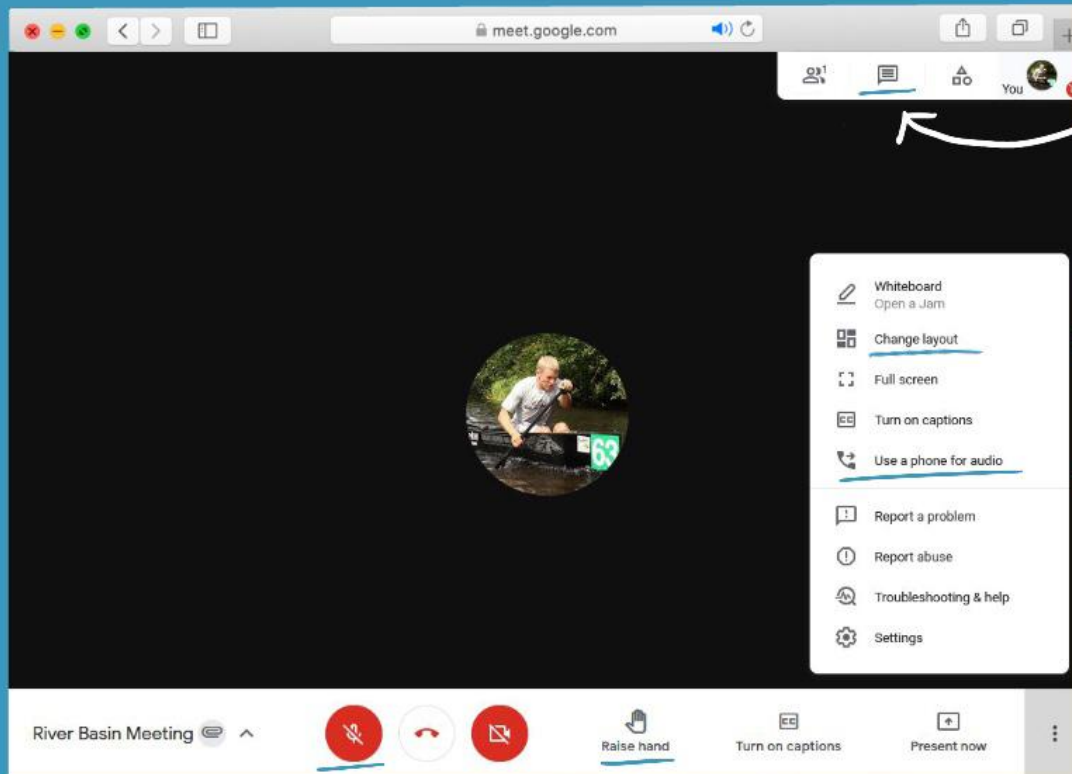
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- Mute yourself or you will be muted
- Use the chat feature



Meeting Instructions

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



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



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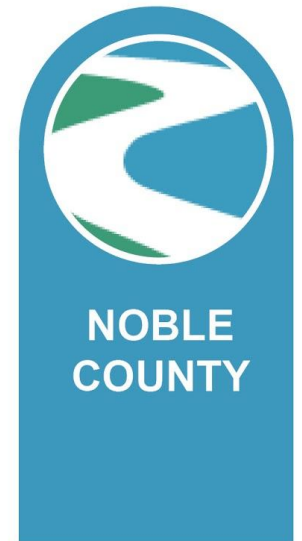
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- Approval of Minutes
 - December 3, 2020



Financial Report – FY21 Q2 Activities

	FY20 Actual	FY21 YTD	FY21 Budget	% Budget to Date	Notes
REVENUE					
State of Indiana	102,874.52	44,614.00	89,227	50%	A
Local Government	55,751.00	3,153.00	63,660	5%	
Special Projects	43,959.85	23,668.38	23,500	101%	B
Interest	2,972.23	210.20	2,500	8%	
Other Income	0.00	0.00			
Total Revenue	205,557.60	71,645.58	178,887	40%	
EXPENSES					
Basic Operations					
SJRBC Director	46,032.49	25,997.48	47,000	55%	
Accounting Services	3,663.85	658.83	4,000	16%	
Office Rent	2,100.00	2,274.99	6,250	36%	C
Legal	1,738.00	700.00	2,000	35%	
Bank Service Fees	224.29	37.00	750	5%	
Insurance	518.64	259.32	520	50%	
Travel/Mileage	756.14	217.99	1,250	17%	
Audit	2,720.00	0.00		0%	
Information Technology	999.96	499.98	1,000	50%	
Printing	79.74	37.34	350	11%	
Postage	8.50	5.50	50	11%	
Telephone	240.00	120.00	240	50%	
Misc Expenses	39.99	43.60	250	17%	
Operating Expenses	59,121.60	30,852.03	63,660	48%	
Special Projects					
D					
Water Monitoring	4,000.00	488.89	27,200	2%	
Additional MACOG Staff	2,506.97	8,800.46	35,700	25%	E
Municipal/Partner Support	4,090.59	2,597.35	9,350	28%	
Planning/Resource Development	67,523.75	29,990.00	31,077	97%	
Education/Outreach Provision	3,494.64	2,189.92	7,400	30%	
Drainage (GLPF) Project	2,486.49	1,996.96	4,500	44%	
Project Expenses	84,102.44	46,063.58	115,227	40%	
Total Expenses	143,224.04	76,915.61	178,887	43%	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$62,333.56	(\$5,270.03)	\$0		

Financial Report – FY21 Q2 Assets

ASSETS

Cash

Lake City Account (1944)	\$249,895.75
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Total Cash	\$249,895.75
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Accounts Receivable

Indiana University	\$19,000.00
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Total Accounts Receivable	\$19,000.00
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Total Assets	\$268,895.75
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LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$26,932.67
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Total Liabilities	\$26,932.67
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Fund Balance

Fund Balance FYE 2020	\$247,233.11
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Change in Net Assets YTD	(\$5,270.03)
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Total Fund Balance	\$241,963.08
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Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$268,895.75
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Financial Report – FY21 Q2 Cash Flows

CASH RECEIPTS

State of Indiana	\$44,614.00
Special Project Revenue	\$4,668.38
Drainage (GLPF) Project	\$4,668.38
IU Grand Challenge Grant	
Local Government Appropriation	\$3,153.00
<u>Elkhart County</u>	
City of Elkhart	
City of Goshen	\$2,603.00
City of Nappanee	
<u>LaGrange County</u>	
Town of Lagrange	
<u>Noble County</u>	
City of Kendallville	
Rome City	\$50.00
<u>Steuben County</u>	\$500.00
City of Angola	
<u>St Joseph County</u>	
City of South Bend	
City of Mishawaka	
<u>Kosciusko County</u>	
Town of Syracuse	
Misc. Income	\$0.00
Interest Earned	\$210.20
Total Cash Receipts	\$52,645.58

Financials

- Financial Report
- Approval of Claims

SJRBC Claims Submitted for Commission Approval March 4, 2021

Accounts Payable Voucher Register

Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
10/31/2020	MACOG	Invoice #FY21-4 October 2020 Services	\$10,481.75
11/30/2020	MACOG	Invoice #FY21-5 November 2020 Services	\$8,917.69
12/31/2020	MACOG	Invoice #FY21-6 December 2020 Services	\$7,533.23
2/19/2021	U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY	Bill # 90878002 Waldron Lake Streamgage	\$4,000.00
3/4/2021	THORNE GRODNIK	March 2021 Legal Expenses	\$350.00
		Total	<u>\$31,282.67</u>

Old Business

- Existing Projects:
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 - Additional MACOG Staff
 - fall internships completed
 - working with MACOG to develop new position

**JANE/JOHN
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SJRBC - Aquatic Ecologist ?



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**MADISON
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SJRBC - Intern



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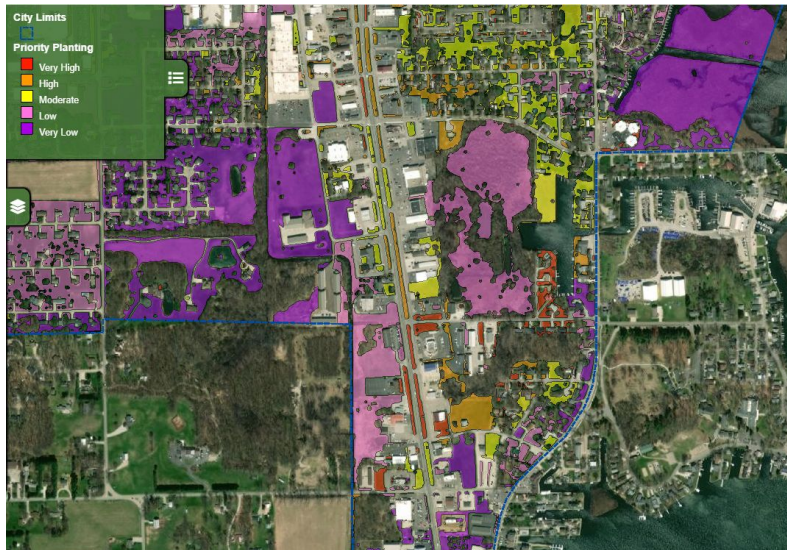
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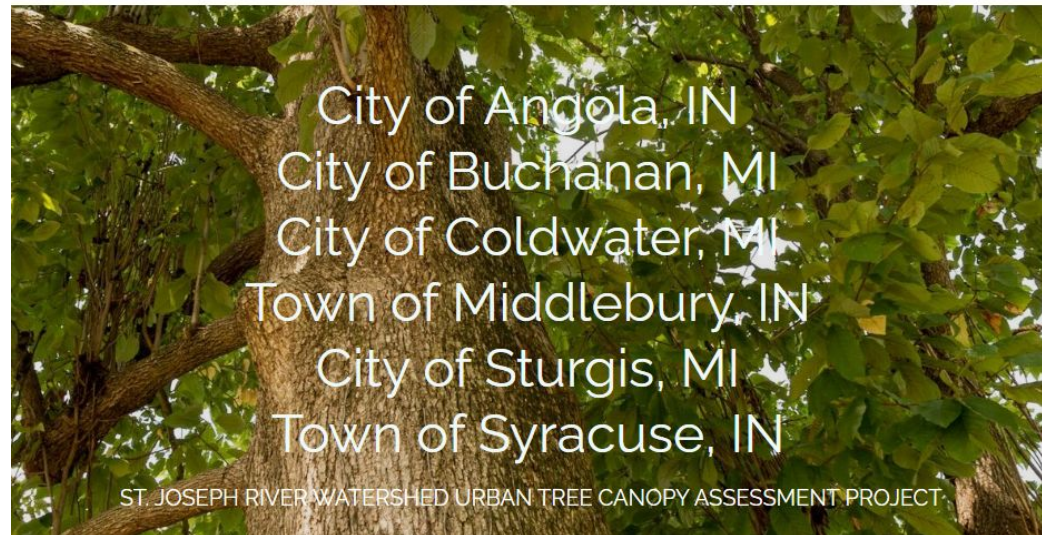
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Old Business

- Existing Projects:
 - Additional MACOG Staff
 - Municipal/Partner Support
 - tree canopy project



TREE CANOPY IN THE ST. JOSEPH RIVER WATERSHED

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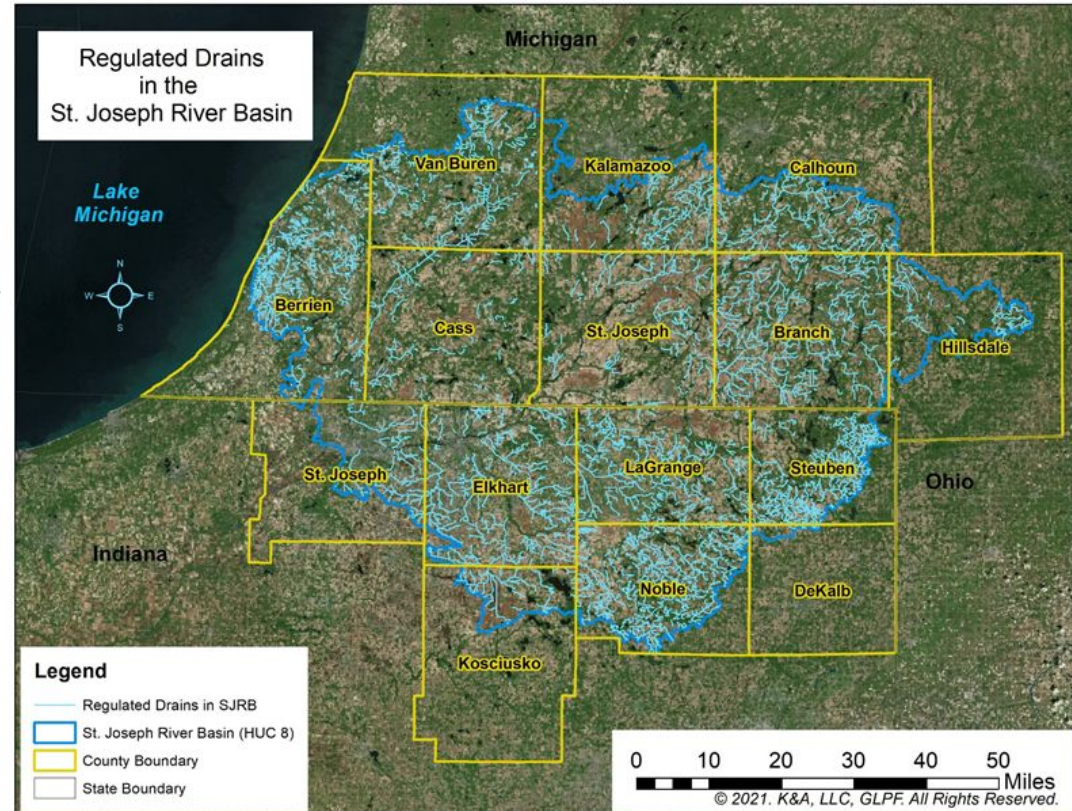
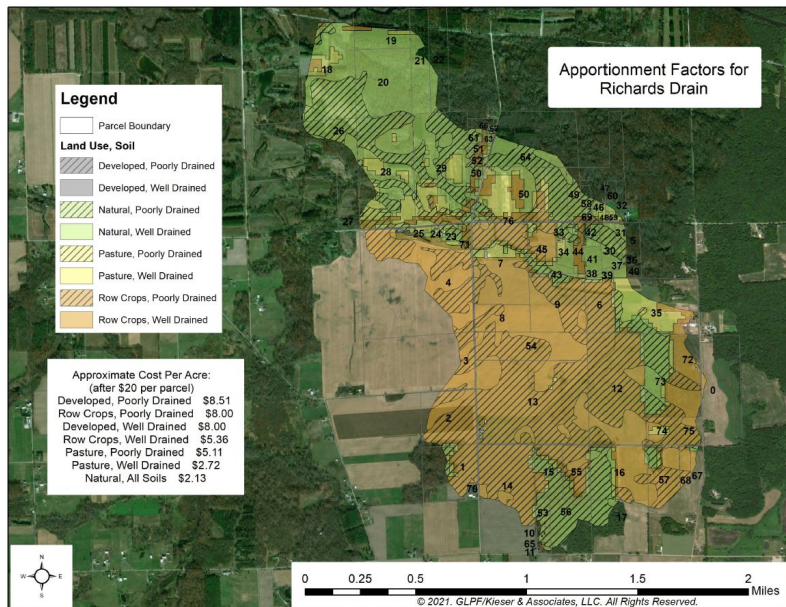
Old Business

- Existing Projects:
 - Additional MACOG Staff
 - Municipal/Partner Support
 - Education/Outreach Provision
 - communication training
 - symposium planning



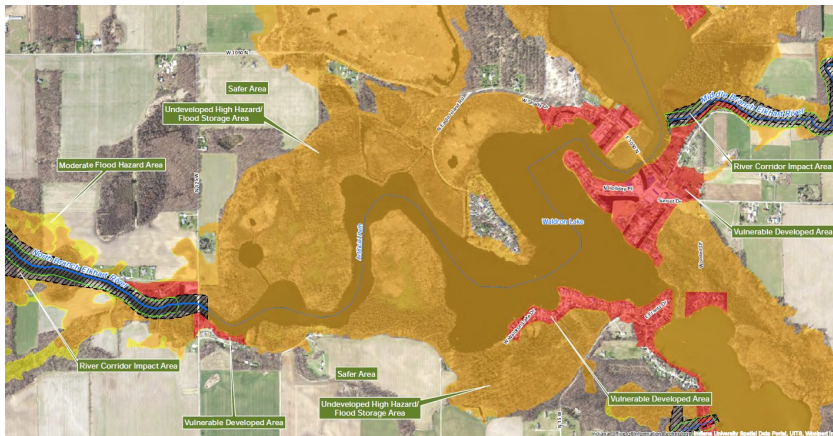
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- Existing Projects:
 - Additional MACOG Staff
 - Municipal/Partner Support
 - Education/Outreach Provision
 - Drainage Project
 - survey of drain officials



Old Business

- Existing Projects:
 - Additional MACOG Staff
 - Municipal/Partner Support
 - Education/Outreach Provision
 - Drainage Project
 - Planning/Resource Development
 - flood risk management plan



NORTH BRANCH ELKHART RIVER CORRIDOR FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN

NOBLE & LAGRANGE COUNTIES, IN

OCTOBER 2020

Prepared for:



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Old Business

- Existing Projects:
 - Additional MACOG Staff
 - Municipal/Partner Support
 - Education/Outreach Provision
 - Drainage Project
 - Planning/Resource Development
 - Water Monitoring
 - new gage on Royer Lake
 - USGS gage on Waldron Lake



Old Business

- Existing Projects
- 21st Annual Symposium:
 - Date set **Friday May 14th, 2021**
 - Planning for virtual event
 - Content/topic ideas welcome



New Business

- Wetland & Watershed Legislation
 - SB 389 - Repeals state regulated wetlands law
 - HB 1055 - Watershed development commissions



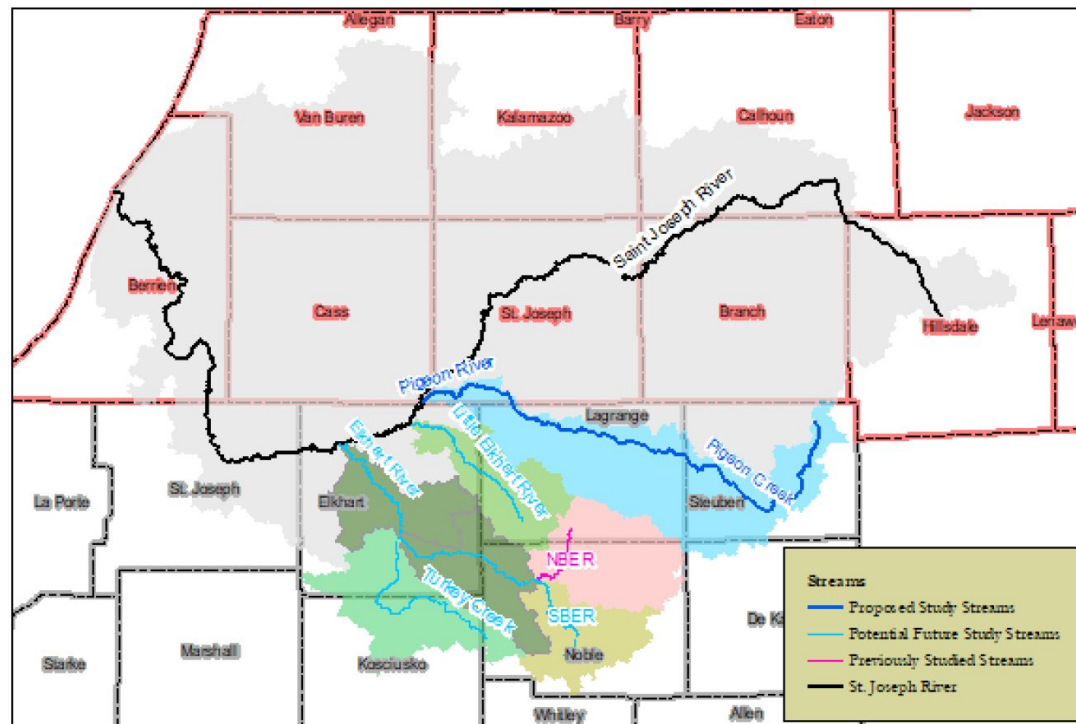
New Business

- Wetland & Watershed Legislation
- Water Monitoring Projects
 - Quantity/Flow - Tolthawk devices used by MRBC
 - Quality - Biological monitoring program expansion



New Business

- Wetland & Watershed Legislation
- Water Monitoring Projects
- Pigeon Creek/River Study
 - Maintain effort started in North Branch Elkhart



New Business

- Wetland & Watershed Legislation
- Water Monitoring Projects
- Pigeon Creek/River Study
- Other Business/Updates
 - [Announcements from Commission Members](#)



Director's Report

- Administrative
- Education/Outreach
- Planning/Resource Development
- Partner Support
- Advocacy



Items From the Floor

Other
Misc.
Etc...

Next Meeting
June 3rd, 2021

