

3rd Quarter September 2, 2021



Opening Business

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





Lake Michigan

Michigan



Kalamazoo

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Van Buren

Berrien

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St. Joseph

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Hillsdale

St. Joseph

Elkhart

LaGrange

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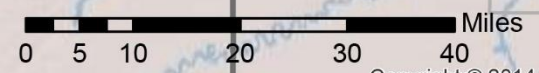
Ohio

Indiana

Noble

DeKalb

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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.

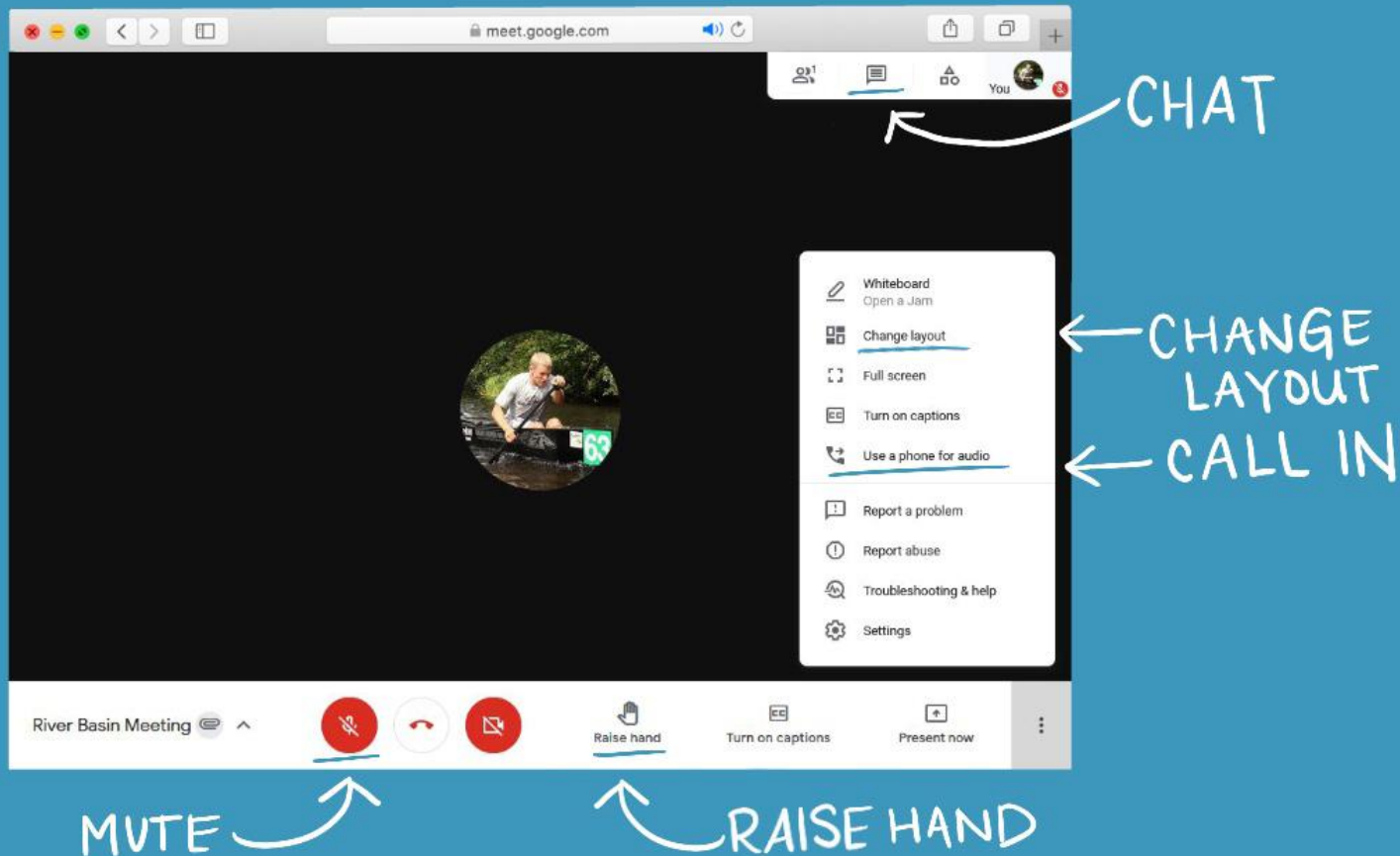
The SJRBC shall consist of the following (or their proxy):

- 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)

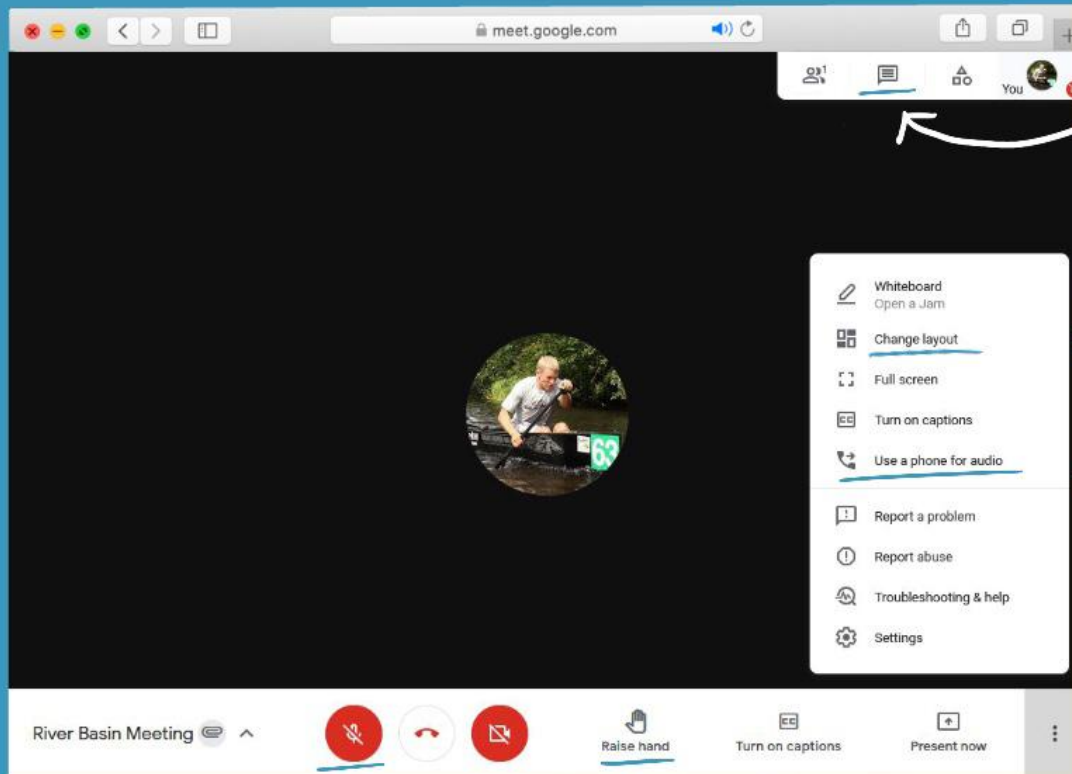
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- Mute yourself or you will be muted
- Use the chat feature



Meeting Instructions

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



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



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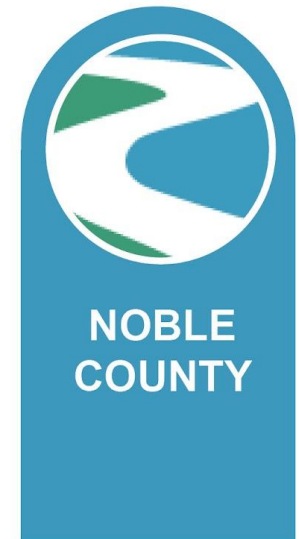
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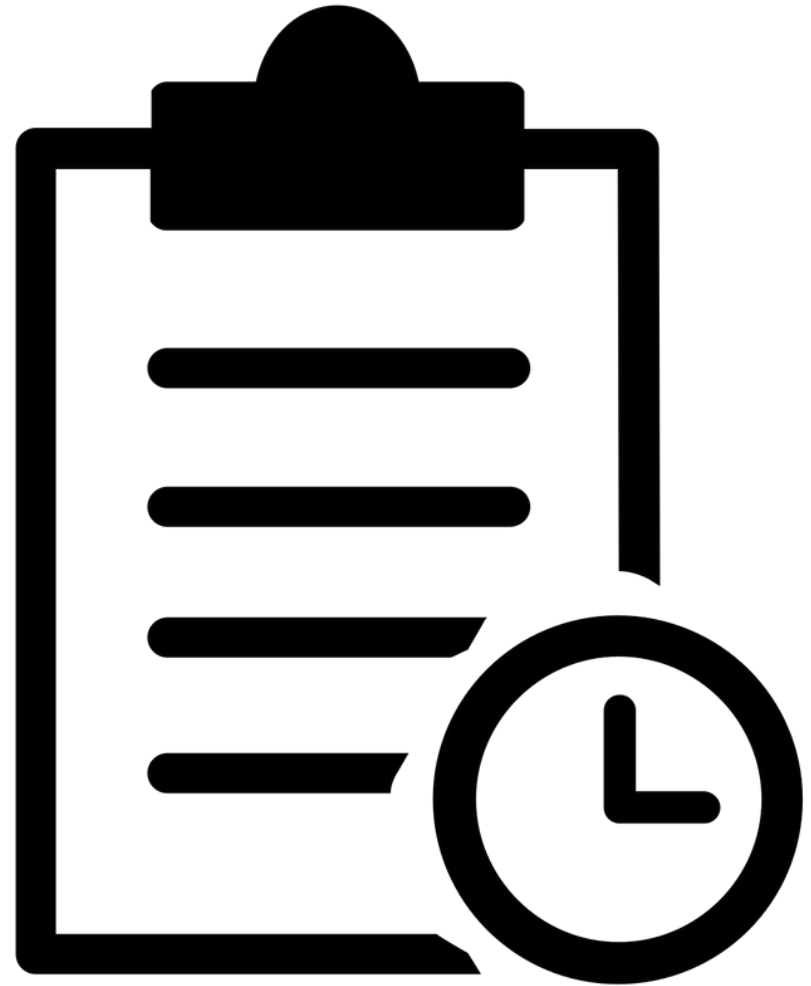


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Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes
- Financial Report
- Approval of Claims



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 - June 3, 2021



Financial Report – FYE 21 Activities

	FY20 Actual	FY21 Actual	FY21 Budget	Budget to YE Variance	Notes
REVENUE					
State of Indiana	102,874.52	89,228.00	89,227	1	
Local Government	55,751.00	62,304.00	63,660	(1,356)	A
Special Projects	43,959.85	23,668.38	23,500	168	
Interest	2,972.23	468.50	2,500	(2,032)	B
Other Income	0.00	0.00		0	
Total Revenue	205,557.60	175,668.88	178,887	(3,218)	
EXPENSES					
Basic Operations					
SJRBC Director	46,032.49	46,993.28	47,000	(7)	
Accounting Services	3,663.85	2,630.17	4,000	(1,370)	
Office Rent	2,100.00	5,774.97	6,250	(475)	
Legal	1,738.00	1,400.00	2,000	(600)	
Bank Service Fees	224.29	37.00	750	(713)	B
Insurance	518.64	518.64	520	(1)	
Travel/Mileage	756.14	563.27	1,250	(687)	B
Audit	2,720.00	0.00		0	
Information Technology	999.96	999.96	1,000	(0)	
Printing	79.74	78.49	350	(272)	
Postage	8.50	11.80	50	(38)	
Telephone	240.00	240.00	240	0	
Misc Expenses	39.99	43.60	250	(206)	
Operating Expenses	59,121.60	59,291.18	63,660	(4,369)	
Special Projects					
Water Monitoring	4,000.00	4,488.89	27,200	(22,711)	C
Additional MACOG Staff	2,506.97	12,436.53	35,700	(23,263)	D
Municipal/Partner Support	4,090.59	5,555.04	9,350	(3,795)	C
Planning/Resource Development	67,523.75	29,990.00	31,077	(1,087)	
Education/Outreach Provision	3,494.64	2,962.31	7,400	(4,438)	E
Drainage (GLPF) Project	2,486.49	3,479.15	4,500	(1,021)	
Project Expenses	84,102.44	58,911.92	115,227	(56,315)	
Total Expenses	143,224.04	118,203.10	178,887	(60,684)	
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$62,333.56	\$57,465.78	\$0	57,466	

Financial Report – FYE 21 Assets

ASSETS

Cash

Lake City Account (1944)	\$299,369.25
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Total Cash	\$299,369.25
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Accounts Receivable

State of Indiana	\$22,307.00
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City of Kendallville	\$2,459.00
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Total Accounts Receivable	\$24,766.00
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Total Assets	\$324,135.25
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LIABILITIES & FUND BALANCE

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$19,436.36
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Total Liabilities	\$19,436.36
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Fund Balance

Fund Balance FYE 2020	\$247,233.11
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Change in Net Assets YTD	\$57,465.78
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Total Fund Balance	\$304,698.89
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Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	\$324,135.25
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Financial Report – FYE 21 Cash Flows

CASH RECEIPTS

State of Indiana	\$66,921.00
Special Project Revenue	\$23,668.38
Drainage (GLPF) Project	\$4,668.38
IU Grand Challenge Grant	\$19,000.00
Local Government Appropriation	\$59,845.00
<u>Elkhart County</u>	\$10,006.00
City of Elkhart	\$4,437.00
City of Goshen	\$5,365.00
<u>LaGrange County</u>	\$13,540.00
Town of Lagrange	\$1,030.00
<u>Noble County</u>	\$9,395.00
<u>City of Kendallville</u>	
Rome City	\$50.00
<u>Steuben County</u>	\$2,250.00
City of Angola	\$2,330.00
<u>St Joseph County</u>	\$3,055.00
City of South Bend	\$3,500.00
City of Mishawaka	\$1,255.00
<u>Kosciusko County</u>	\$3,492.00
Town of Syracuse	\$140.00
Misc. Income	\$0.00
Interest Earned	\$468.50
Total Cash Receipts	\$150,902.88

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SJRBC Claims Submitted for Commission Approval September 2, 2021

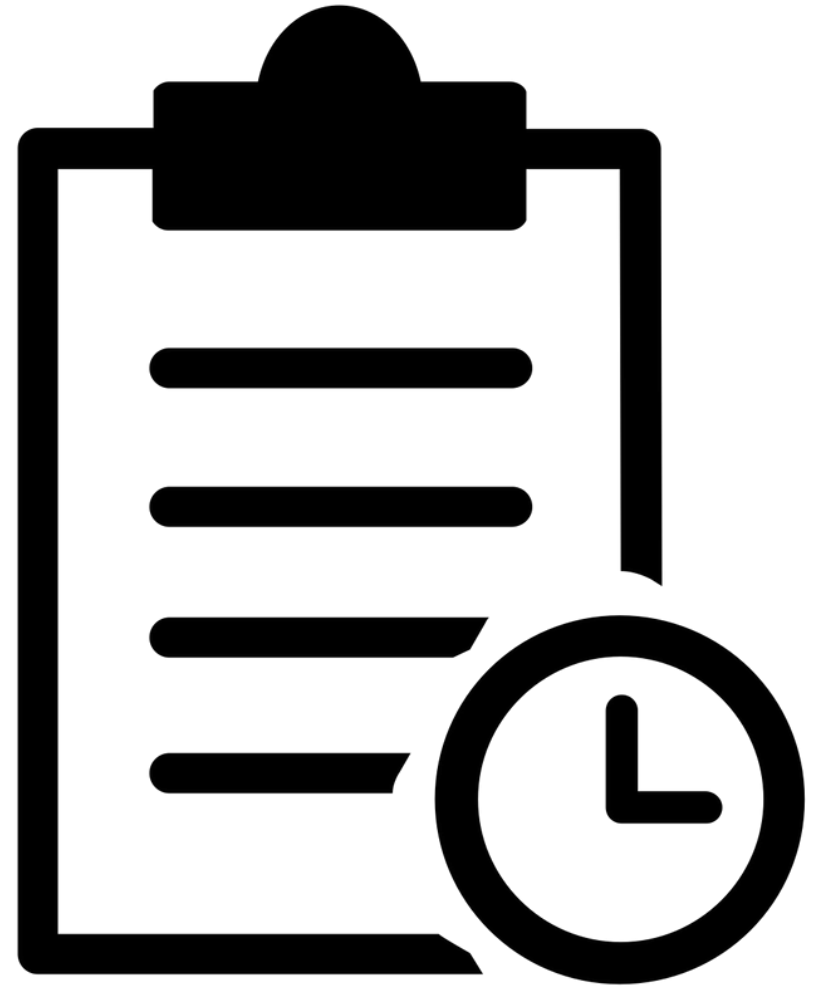
Accounts Payable Voucher Register

Date	Vendor	Description	Amount
4/30/2021	MACOG	Invoice #FY21-10 April 2021 Services	\$4,636.66
5/31/2021	MACOG	Invoice #FY21-11 May 2021 Services	\$8,625.61
6/30/2021	MACOG	Invoice #FY21-12 June 2021 Services	\$6,174.09
9/2/2021	THORNE GRODNIK	September 2021 Legal Expenses	\$350.00
		Total	<u>\$19,786.36</u>

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Questions?



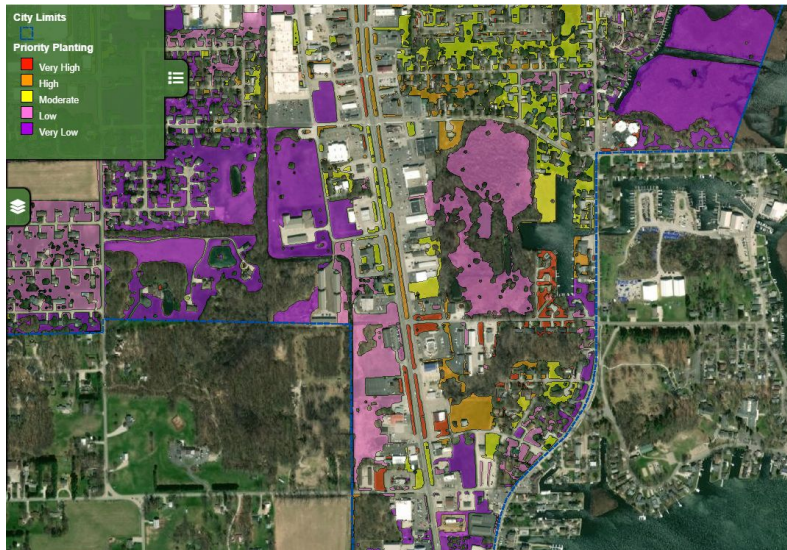
Old Business

- Existing Projects:
 - Municipal/Partner Support
 - Education/Outreach Provision
 - Drainage Project
 - Planning/Resource Development
 - Water Monitoring

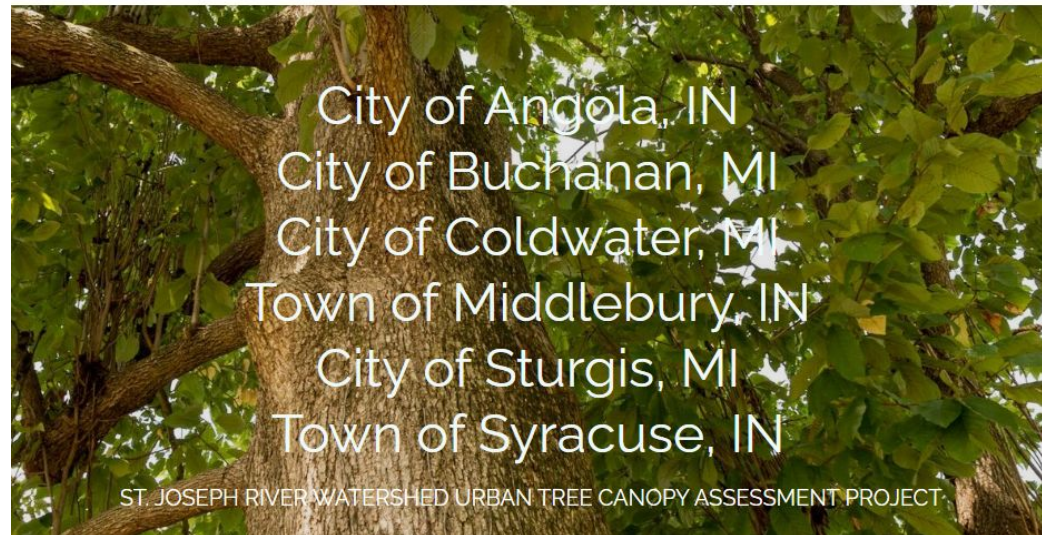
	FY20 Actual	FY21 YTD	FY21 Budget	% Budget to Date	Year End Forecast
REVENUE					
State of Indiana	102,874.52	66,921.00	89,227	75%	89,227
Local Government	55,751.00	51,768.00	63,660	81%	61,859
Special Projects	43,959.85	23,668.38	23,500	101%	23,668
Interest	2,972.23	339.57	2,500	14%	475
Other Income	0.00	0.00			
Total Revenue	205,557.60	142,696.95	178,887	80%	175,229
EXPENSES					
Basic Operations					
SJRC Director	46,032.49	37,168.87	47,000	79%	47,000
Accounting Services	3,663.85	2,160.95	4,000	54%	3,200
Office Rent	2,100.00	4,024.98	6,250	64%	5,775
Legal	1,738.00	1,050.00	2,000	53%	2,000
Bank Service Fees	224.29	37.00	750	5%	50
Insurance	518.64	388.98	520	75%	520
Travel/Mileage	756.14	440.49	1,250	35%	575
Audit	2,720.00	0.00		0%	0
Information Technology	999.96	749.97	1,000	75%	1,000
Printing	79.74	53.75	350	15%	75
Postage	8.50	8.10	50	16%	15
Telephone	240.00	180.00	240	75%	240
Misc Expenses	39.99	43.60	250	17%	0
Operating Expenses	59,121.60	46,306.69	63,660	73%	60,450
Special Projects					
Water Monitoring	4,000.00	4,488.89	27,200	17%	5,000
Additional MACOG Staff	2,506.97	9,893.06	35,700	28%	12,000
Municipal/Partner Support	4,090.59	2,785.74	9,350	30%	4,500
Planning/Resource Development	67,523.75	29,990.00	31,077	97%	30,000
Education/Outreach Provision	3,494.64	2,189.92	7,400	30%	2,500
Drainage (GLPF) Project	2,486.49	2,762.44	4,500	61%	3,500
Project Expenses	84,102.44	52,110.05	115,227	45%	57,500
Total Expenses	143,224.04	98,416.74	178,887	55%	117,950
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$62,333.56	\$44,280.21	\$0		\$57,279

Old Business

- Existing Projects:
 - Municipal/Partner Support
 - tree canopy project

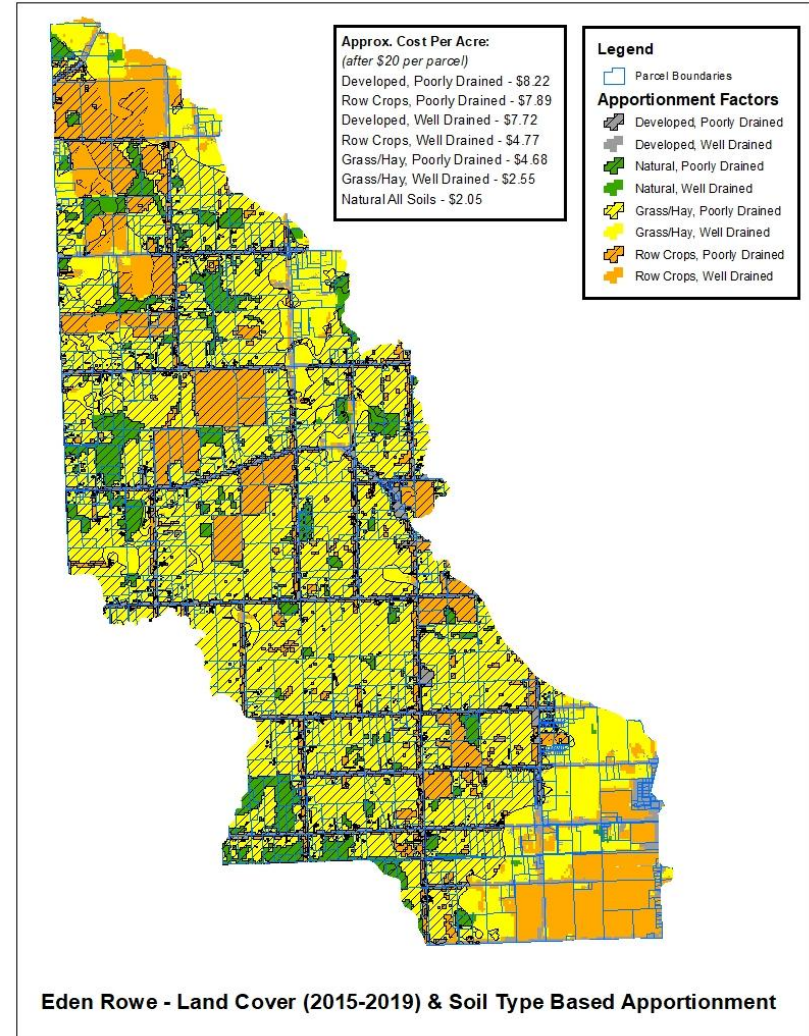
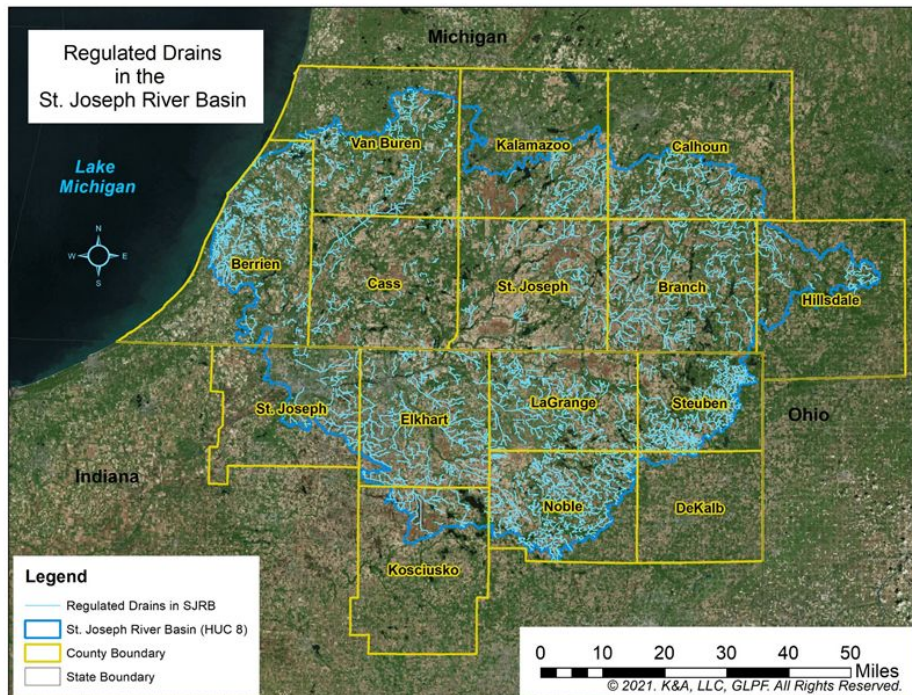


TREE CANOPY IN THE ST. JOSEPH RIVER WATERSHED

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Old Business

- Existing Projects:
 - Municipal/Partner Support
 - Drainage Project
 - apportioned 3 watersheds
 - attended 2 DB meetings
 - assisted with public notices



Old Business

- Existing Projects
- Water Monitoring Program

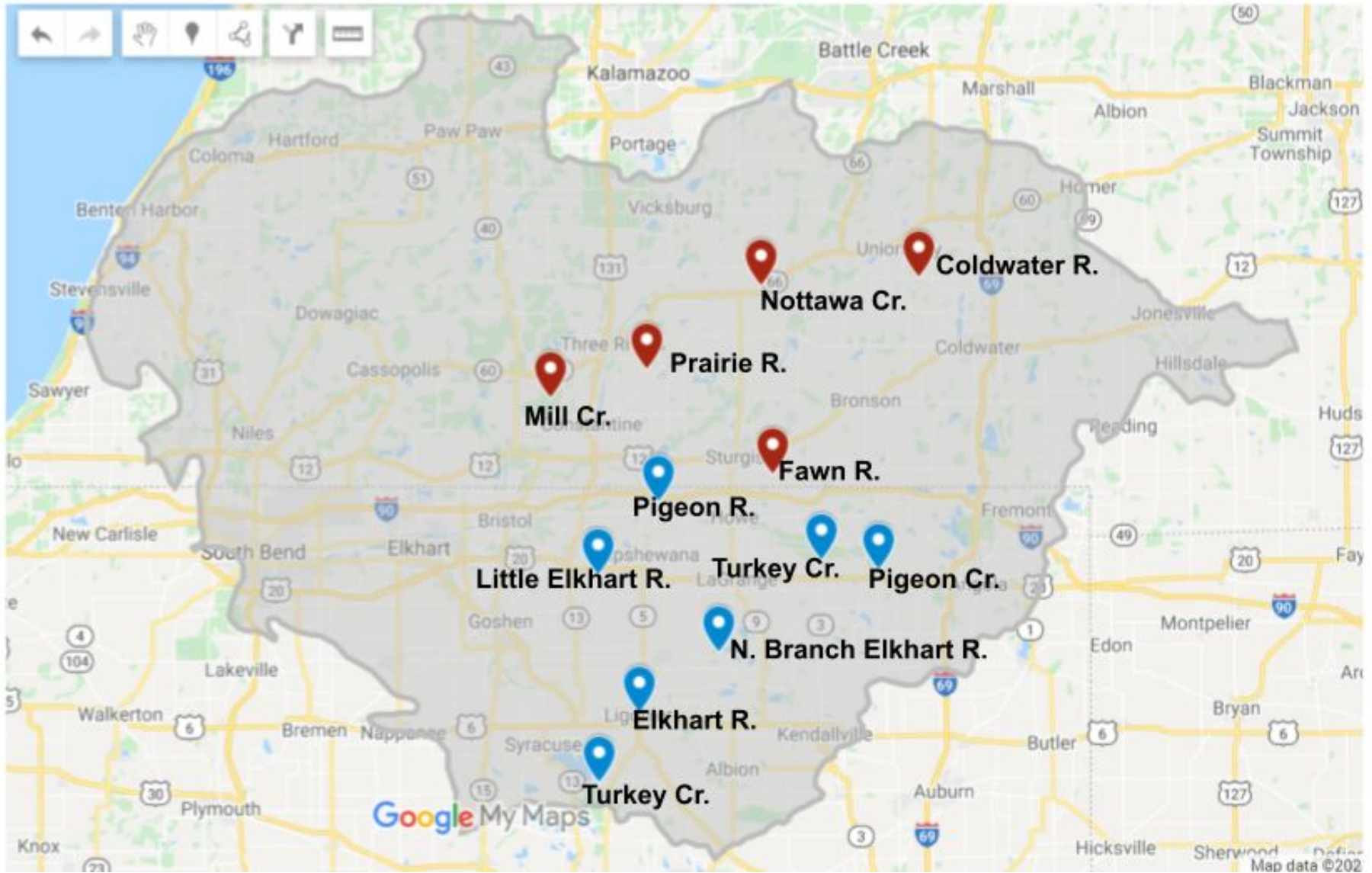




Water monitoring updates

SJRBC Board Meeting
9/2/2021

12 monitoring sites



Basin-wide water monitoring

- **Set samplers to collect aquatic invertebrates**
- **Indicators of water quality**



In the process of retrieving samples...

- To be handed over to Midwest Biodiversity Institute for identification



crayfish. Photo by K. Barrett

...And gearing up for stable isotope analysis

- **Prepping for additional collections to measure elemental composition**
- **Collaboration with ND researchers**
- **Free access to high-tech instrumentation to conduct analysis**



Once we have samples analyzed...

- **Food web models and metrics of water quality for 12 sites**
- **Written reports on our findings**
- **Presentations at future board meetings & conferences**
- **Database to curate data**
- **Community engagement**
- **Continual, long-term monitoring**



New Business

- 2022 Meeting Schedule
 - Schrock Pavilion reserved from 10am - 12pm on:
 - March 3rd, 2022
 - June 2nd, 2022
 - September 1st, 2022
 - December 1st, 2022



New Business

- 2022 Meeting Schedule
- **Watershed Leadership Academy**
 - Financial assistance typically provided to 1-2 individuals from our basin.
 - Participants have the opportunity to:
 - Engage with other watershed managers
 - Interact with topic experts
 - Gain strategies, skills and resources
 - Earn a Professional Certificate in Watershed Mgmt.



Indiana Watershed Leadership Academy

Cultivating Leaders * Creating Solutions * Connecting People & Water

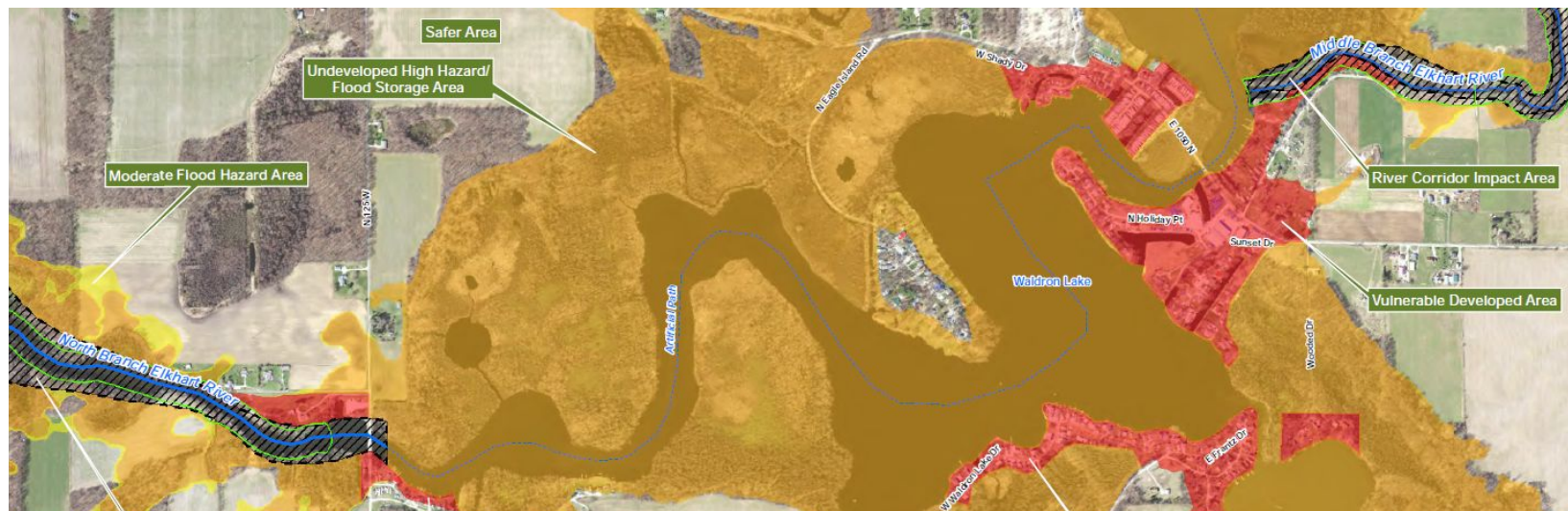
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- 2022 Meeting Schedule
- Watershed Leadership Academy
- **Forestry Grant Opportunity**
 - \$30K available with 1:1 match
 - Water focused guidance for local governments provided by regional forester



New Business

- 2022 Meeting Schedule
- Watershed Leadership Academy
- Forestry Grant Opportunity
- Noble County Flood Resilience
 - Meeting w/ Commissioners on 9/27



New Business

- 2022 Meeting Schedule
- Watershed Leadership Academy
- Forestry Grant Opportunity
- Noble County Flood Resilience
- **Other Business/Updates**
 - **Announcements from Commission Members**



Director's Report

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



Director's Report

- Personal Note:



South Bend paddler, teammate race canoe 120 miles through night and beat record

Meersman trains mostly on the St. Joe

Joseph Dits South Bend Tribune

Published 6:04 a.m. ET Aug. 4, 2021 | Updated 11:42 a.m. ET Aug. 4, 2021



Matt Meersman of South Bend, left, and Jordan Wakeley of Grayling, Mich., power through the AuSable River Canoe Marathon in late July. Photo Provided, Kelly Harrington

Presentation

- Steuben County Water Availability Study

Officials urge reaching out to governor in aquifer issue

By Amy Oberlin aoberlin@kpcmedia.com Aug 22, 2018 Updated Aug 22, 2018



Jack Wittman of Intera explains Steuben and DeKalb County hydrology to those gathered Tuesday morning in the Angola Training Center prior to an information meeting on the Michindoh Aquifer.

Amy Oberlin

Items From the Floor

Other
Misc.
Etc...

Next Meeting December 2nd, 2021

