

The Urban Waters Federal Partnership

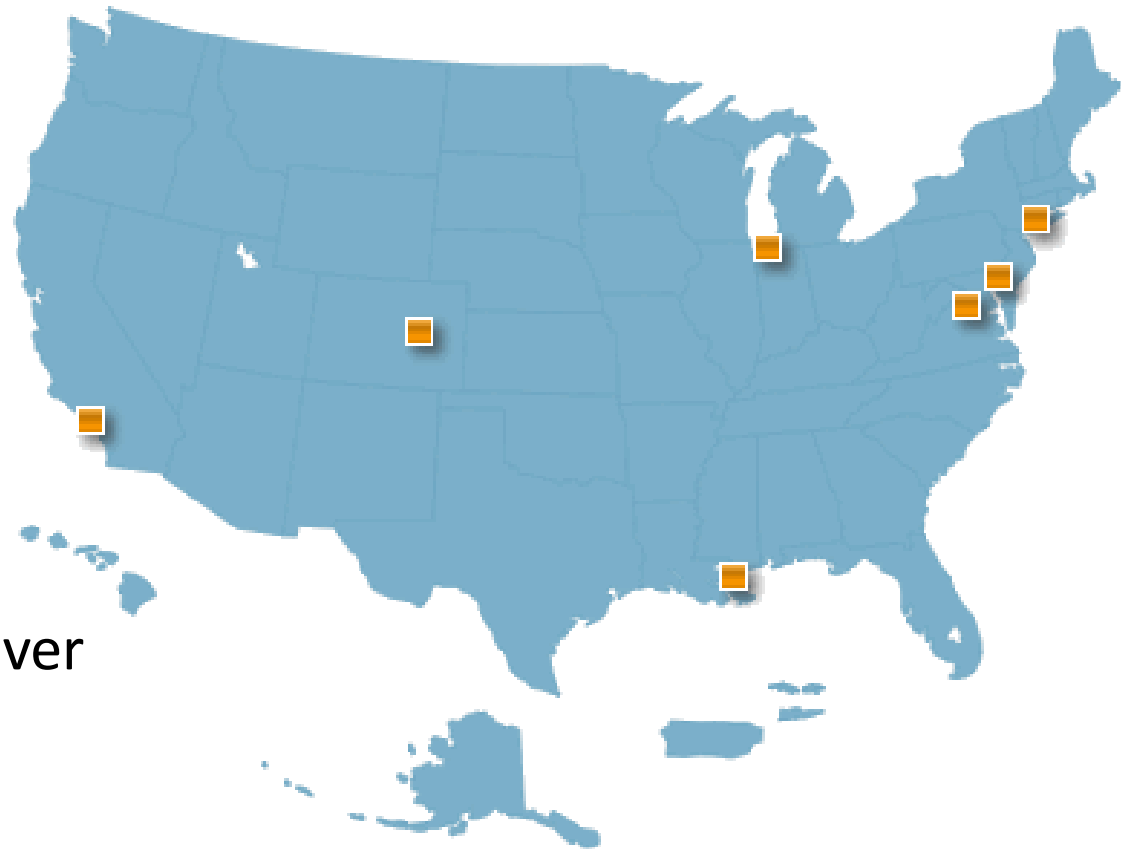


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Restoring Urban Waters, Revitalizing Communities.

Locations

- Anacostia Watershed (District of Columbia / Maryland)
- Patapsco Watershed / Baltimore Region (Maryland)
- Bronx & Harlem River Watersheds (New York)
- South Platte River in Denver (Colorado)
- Los Angeles River Watershed (California)
- Lake Pontchartrain Area in New Orleans (Louisiana)
- Northwest Indiana Area



■ First Phase Federal Partnership Pilots

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11 New Locations Announced

- Big River and Meramec River watersheds near St. Louis, Mo
- Delaware River Basin that covers Philadelphia, Camden, N.J., Chester, Pa., and Wilmington, Del.
- Grand River in Grand Rapids, Mich.
- Green-Duwamish River in Seattle
- Mystic River watershed in Greater Boston
- Martin Pena Canal in San Juan, P.R.
- Middle Blue River in Kansas City, Mo.
- Middle Rio Grande in Albuquerque, N.M.
- Passaic River in Newark, N.J.
- Proctor Creek watershed in Atlanta
- Western Lake Erie Basin near Toledo, Ohio

Our Vision

“Through our partnership, we will revitalize urban waters and the communities that surround them, transforming overlooked assets into treasured centerpieces and drivers of urban revival.”

Agencies

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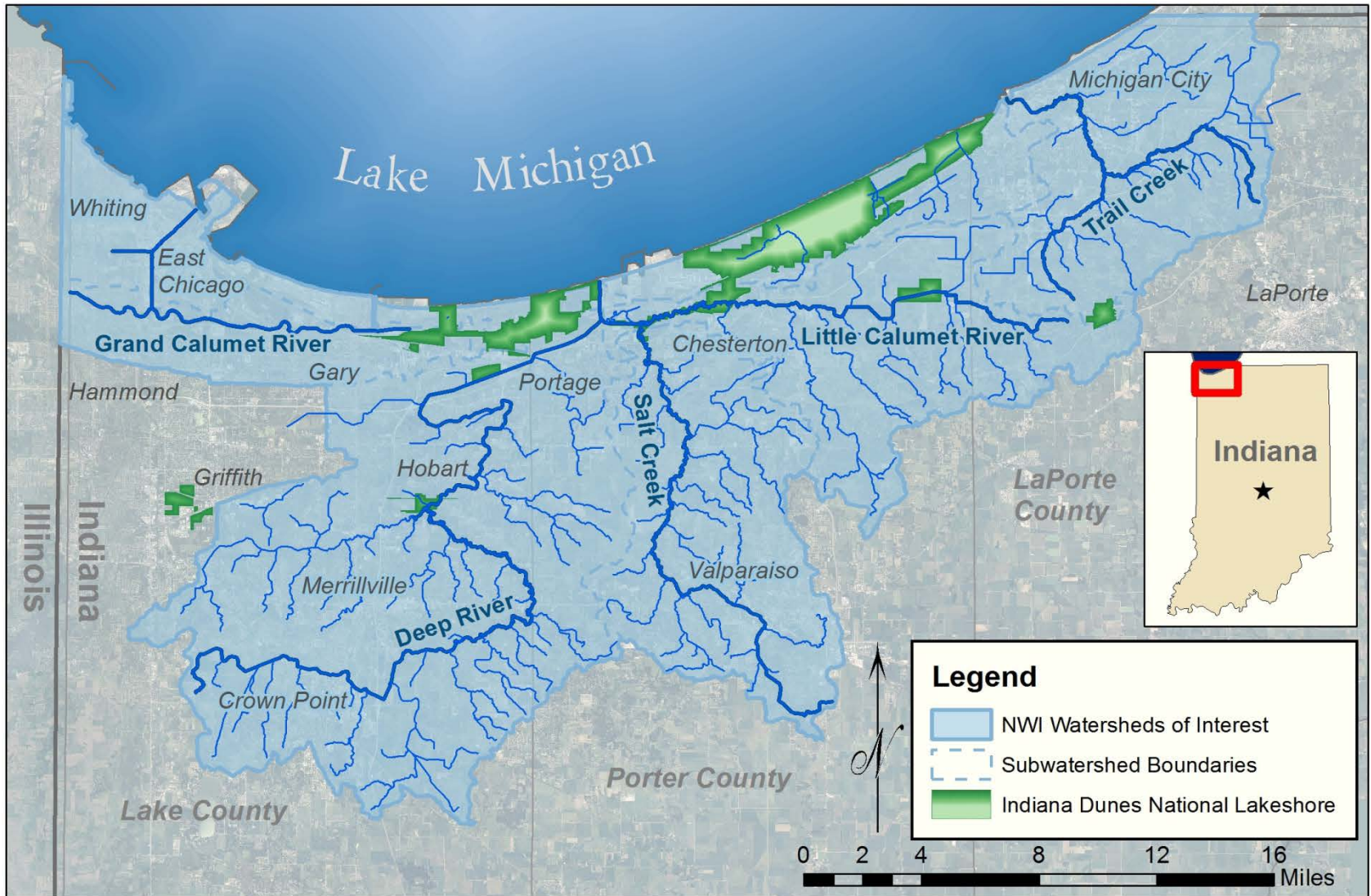
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Our Principles

- Promote clean urban waters
- Reconnect people to their waterways
- Promote water conservation
- Use urban water systems as a way to promote economic revitalization and prosperity
- Encourage community improvements through active partnerships
- Be open and honest, and listen to the communities, knowing is the best way to engage and learn from them
- Focus on measuring results and evaluation to fuel future success



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Interest in Northwest Indiana

**How can I
access my
water?**

**Combined
Sewer
Overflows
left and right!**

**More Green
Infrastructure
, please!**

**Do I even
own a septic
tank?**

**How can we work
together to solve
the problems?**

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Trail Creek

- Leadership role on Trail Creek Watershed Committee
- ADA Accessible Boat Launch Hansen Park
- Assistance in the Coordination of Coastal Awareness Month Events
- Septic Tank Awareness Projects



Photos Credit: NPS

East Branch of the Little Calumet & Salt Creek

- Emerald Ash Borer Studies & Planning
 - Valparaiso
- Investigating Recreational Opportunities
 - Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore



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- Technical Expertise & Education Expertise to the East Branch of the Little Calumet Watershed Committee

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Deep River

- Increasing Recreation Access
 - Hobart Water Festival
 - Deep River Water Trail
- Emerald Ash Borer Studies & Planning
 - Merrillville



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Grand Calumet Region

- Outreach Strategy Collaboration for the Grand Calumet River Dredging Project with Illinois-Indiana Sea Grant
- Jeorse Park Beach Additional Coordination of Efforts



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Communication Highlights

- The Local Partnership meets quarterly
 - June 21st, 9:30AM-12:30PM
- Biweekly Local Federal Call
- Biweekly National Federal Call
- Biweekly National Executive Work Group Meeting

How Can Urban Waters Help?

- We are an extra hand:
 - Technical Expertise
 - Grant Writing Skills
 - Connecting to New Partners & New Opportunities
- We provide an opportunity for additional partnering :
 - Federal
 - Nonfederal

**Urban Waters is an opportunity to leverage
resources and tools**

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