

RIVER FRIENDLY FARMER



Gary Ludwig is Vanderburgh Counties River Friendly Farmer for 2010. Gary farms in both Indiana and Illinois and follows a corn, wheat & beans.

He practices no-till planting on all acres, has filter strips on several tracts of land and gully erosion is controlled on all farms. Gary has constructed grassed waterways, grass filter strips, water & sediment control basins, erosion control structures and practices no-till planting for his entire rotation. He also implements a comprehensive nutrient and pest management plan on every cropped acre.

The River Friendly Farmer was first presented to Indiana farmers in 2000. It was created to recognize producers who do an excellent job of incorporating conservation practices into their daily farm management toolbox. These farmers manage their farms in an environmentally sound way, which protects and improves Indiana's soil and water resources for future generations. Over the last 10 years, 544 Hoosiers have been recognized with the RFF award."