INDIANA CORN Marketing Council

INDIANA SOYBEAN ALLIANCE®

SUSTAINABILITY

AT EVERY STEP.

Doing more with less is the goal of every Hoosier farmer. That's why they implement sustainable practices at every step of the growing process.



In one year, Indiana farmers protected natural resources by converting more than 22,000 acres of farmland into land, water and wildlife habitat restoration.



Planting grasses, legumes and other cover crops between corn and soybean harvests have prevented the equivalent of 453 Olympic-sized swimming pools of sediment from entering Indiana waterways.



Farmers don't waste any part of their harvest. A 60-pound bushel of soybeans creates 11 pounds of crude oil - used for food, biofuels, and in commercial products - and 47 pounds of meal, much of which goes to livestock feed.



70% of farmed acres in Indiana prevent soil erosion, reduce nutrient run-off, and lower the use of fossil fuels through a practice called no-till that avoids disturbing the soil.



Technology allows farmers to use less fossil fuels by taking fewer passes over a field in tractors. This has led to the fuel equivalent of taking nearly 200,000 cars off the road in the U.S.



Farmers prevent nutrient runoff into Indiana water by using GPS and other data to make precise applications of pesticides and fertilizer, so they use only what is needed.



Growing healthy plants captures carbon, which becomes an important part of the soil profile.

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