

[Pathway to Water Quality](#) (PWQ) is a conservation exhibit sponsored by organizations and agencies that comprise the [Indiana Conservation Partnership](#). The exhibit is located at the Indiana State Fairgrounds. Every year, Pathway hosts approximately 60,000 visitors who visit our premiere conservation exhibit during the 17-day Indiana State Fair. Part of what makes the exhibit successful are all of the ICP organization staff who volunteer at Pathway.

This year, volunteer sign-up for staffing Pathway to Water Quality at the 2016 Indiana State Fair will open at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, June 1st. The state fair will run from August 5th to August 21st.

As you promote volunteer sign-up to your staff and volunteers, please let them know that we are offering the opportunity to volunteer for *"a day at Pathway."* If a group from the same area, region, or multi-county area registers for a day at Pathway, they would be responsible for filling the volunteer positions for that day (9-11 positions in total). The advantage of registration is that this holds that day for you, your area co-workers and conservation partners prefer to be at the Indiana State Fair. We will offer this ahead of the official opening of registration to ensure that you can reserve the date that your area prefers. To reserve your day at pathway, simply email Sara Peel at [pathwaytowaterquality@gmail.com](mailto:pathwaytowaterquality@gmail.com) by May 25<sup>th</sup>. Once your day is reserved, one person from each team is responsible for gathering contact information for all volunteer positions for your desired date and sending that to me no later than July 1<sup>st</sup>.

This year, the PWQ Steering Committee consolidated the volunteer positions into four positions: a greeter, education area volunteer and two PWQ Ambassadors. There will be a total of 9 to 11 positions each day. There are three shifts each day of the Indiana State Fair as follows:

- 9 am to 12:30 pm: One greeter
- 12:30 pm to 4:00 pm: One greeter, one education area volunteer and one ambassador
- 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm: One greeter, one education area volunteer and two ambassadors

On Saturday and Sundays there are two education area volunteers during the two later shifts. There is always a day coordinator on staff as well.

Thank you for all you do to promote soil and water conservation and the Pathway to Water Quality exhibit. If you have any questions about the sign-up, don't hesitate to contact Sara Peel, PWQ Coordinator at [pathwaytowaterquality@gmail.com](mailto:pathwaytowaterquality@gmail.com).