



**Legislative Committee Chair  
Report to the Board of Directors**

**July 14, 2017**

**Submitted by: Kerry Daily**

**1. Indiana CGP:**

Attended the first Meeting of the Advisory Group for the Indiana Construction General Permit (CGP) on June 22, 2017 at IDEM.

Requested interest from INAFSM Members on draft Indiana CGP and received fourteen (14) requests to review and comment. Also coordinating with group of eight (8) County Surveyor's.

Comments are due back to IDEM by August 14, 2017 for a meeting to be held near the end of August or beginning of September.

**2. Legislation:**

Starting to check on Interim Legislative Committees scheduling of meetings, focusing on the Interim Study Committee on Agricultural and Natural Resources and the Interim Study Committee on Environmental Affairs.

**3. WOTUS:**

Staying abreast of Waters of the United States (WOTUS) rule. New rule adopted by USEPA/USACE in 2015, almost immediately stayed by several federal courts and never enforced. In February of 2017, USEPA and USACE ordered by Executive Office to review and rescind or revise the 2015 rule. Agencies are now taking comments on the proposed rule (42 pages!) to rescind the 2015 rule and recodify pre-2015 language for WOTUS.

*Personal opinion: whenever the new rule language is finally adopted, expect immediate legal challenges, possible stays of the new rule language and years-long court cases.*