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American Water Announces Environmental Grant Winners in Indiana

Over \$14,000 in grants awarded to two individual projects across the state.

Crawfordsville, Ind. (July 28, 2009) – American Water announced today recipients of the company's 2009 Environmental Grant Program awards. Established in 2005, American Water's Environmental Grant Program offers funds for innovative, community-based environmental projects that improve, restore or protect the watersheds, surface water and/or groundwater supplies in the communities it serves.

A total of 25 projects will be supported by American Water environmental grants totaling more than \$114,000. Two of these projects are located in Indiana and include Sugar Creek Nature Park and Wabash River Enhancement Corporation.

Sugar Creek Nature Park will be awarded \$7,500 to fund the development of a nature park and spread awareness about the protection of source water. Partners for the project include Crawfordsville Community Schools, Wabash College and Friends of Sugar Creek. The city of Crawfordsville has embarked on a three-year rejuvenation program for Sugar Creek encompassing a total area of 63.6 acres.

Wabash River Enhancement Corporation will receive a \$7,000 grant. The grant will provide funding to monitor 800 streamroad crossings for temperature, ph, nutrients, and copper. More than 150 community volunteers will be mobilized to complete the monitoring.

David Baker, president of Indiana American Water, said, "Through our environmental grant program, American Water is able to partner with many organizations to improve, restore and protect water resources in the communities we serve."

All grant recipients will submit a report at the end of the year to American Water regarding how their grant was used to achieve their specific environmental goals.

About Indiana American Water

Indiana American Water, a wholly owned subsidiary of American Water (NYSE: AWK), is the largest investor-owned water utility in the state, providing high-quality and reliable water and/or wastewater services to more than 1.2 million people. Founded in 1886, American Water is the largest investor-owned U.S. water and wastewater utility company. With headquarters in Voorhees, N.J., the company employs more than 7,000 dedicated professionals who provide drinking water, wastewater and other related services to approximately 15 million people in 32 states and Ontario, Canada. More information can be found by visiting www.amwater.com.

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