LaGrange County - Planning with POWER has initiated an ongoing project with LaGrange County Soil and Water Conservation District involving the Little Elkhart River Watershed project and is working to incorporate natural resources protection strategies into the long-term land use planning process. Several Planning with POWER programs have been presented to the public on these issues.

Elkhart County - Planning with POWER has held several meetings to discuss natural resource protection and to help initiate a comprehensive land use plan update. The POWER project is also working with several watershed projects in the county to help them incorporate the results and findings into the land use planning goals for the future.

Hendricks County - Local leadership organized a Planning with POWER Advisory Committee that meets monthly and advises the Plan Commission on incorporating natural resource protection into the comprehensive planning process. This group is helping update and revise the subdivision control ordinances, as well as developing a conservation design subdivision ordinance for the Hendricks County Plan Commission.

Dearborn County - Planning with POWER has worked with both the City of Aurora and Dearborn County on incorporating natural resource protection into long range land use planning effort. The POWER program helped organize a Hillside Development Workshop for local officials and is presently working with the County Plan Director and the Steering Committee to incorporate natural resource protection into the recently updated county comprehensive land use plan.

Ohio County - Planning with POWER is helping the Ohio County Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee to incorporate natural resource protection into the comprehensive long range land use plan for Ohio County. The POWER Program is bringing Purdue Soil Scientists and health officials together to address septic and sewer issues affecting water and natural resources in Ohio County.

Floyds & Harrison Counties - Planning with POWER helped organize a Planning with POWER committee which meets to address natural resource and farmland protection and water quality concerns in future land use planning. Septics, hillside development, and sensitive natural areas were identified as critical issues for these counties.

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Planning with POWER presents a 30 minute PowerPoint presentation that introduces the 10 principles of smart growth and how they are connected to a community’s water quality, natural resources, economic development, and, ultimately, the quality of life.