

The Future of 4-H/FFA CDEs and CDE Q and A

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Future

- Lots of Unknown with Extension
- Tony Carrell retires June 30th, he is not being replaced
- Budget cuts- already financially strapped
- We have meetings after state convention to hopefully know more and finalize some business items.
- FFA will likely have to take a larger role in regional and state contests.



Regional Model

- 2025-2026 Regional Qualifying Format
 - Livestock Skillathon
 - Crops
 - Entomology
 - Forestry
 - Livestock Judging
- Soils will compete in the “old” areas for Fall 2025 but will move to the regional format in 2026.

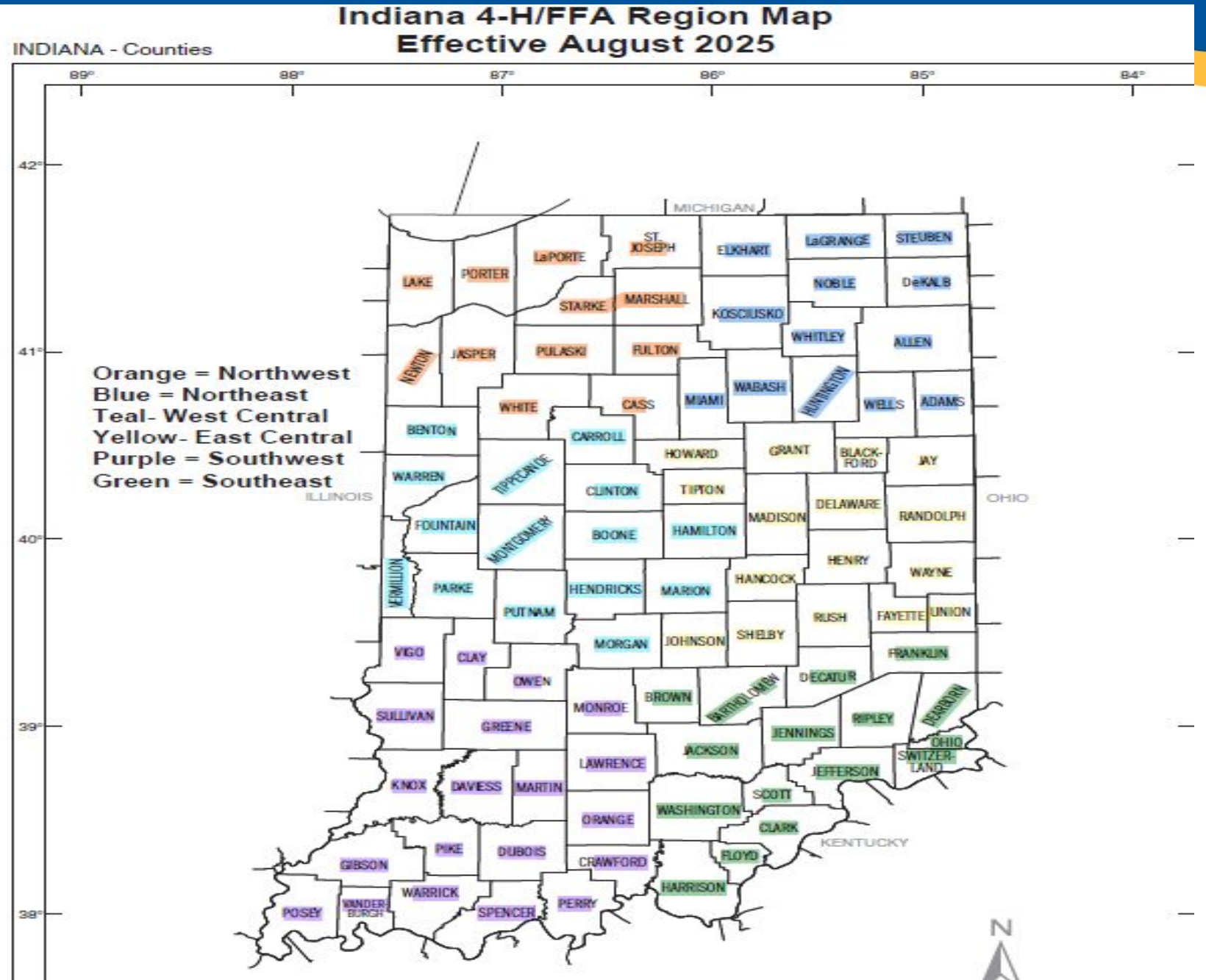


Regional Map

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Regional Model

- Teams and individuals will only be allowed to participate in the one region they are geographically located.
- There will not be team limitations for 2025-2026 at the region level, but this will be evaluated and could change in the future.
- Top 8 Senior teams and Top 5 Junior teams will advance to the state contest.
- Additional qualifying teams- Top 5 overall senior teams from the previous state contest will allow for one additional team to the region that the top 5 teams originate from.
- No change to individuals qualifying



Future CDE Changes

- 2026-2027
 - No more Horticulture– Purdue Horticulture may put on an event.
 - Agronomy– taking the place of Crops and Entomology
 - Environment and Natural Resources- replacing Wildlife Habitat for FFA- Purdue Wildlife may continue to offer their event.
 - Floriculture and Nursery Landscape– offering a 4-H division
 - Potential to add a division for 4-H in Vet Science in the future