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The Wabash River has odor problems which need to be corrected.

The Wabash River is underutilized for hydro-electric power generation.

The watershed is too developed.

There is not a good inventory of plants/animals within the watershed.

There is too much tile drainage to the Wabash River.

Too much agricultural land is being converted to housing units rather than being restored to natural systems.

Wabash River water levels are unpredictable.

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Poor water clarity in the Wabash River.

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Sediment and erosion control is needed.

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The public lacks knowledge about the river and its tributaries' water quality.

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