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Fifteen high school teams competed at the 2014 Iowa Envirothon State Competition at Springbrook State Park on April 7, 2014. This year's state winner was Marshalltown Whales 1. They will be sent to the 2014 Stewardship Challenge at Loyola University Chicago, Sunday August 3rd through Thursday, August 7th with 9 other teams from the Midwest.

Envirothon is a team competition for high school students testing their knowledge of natural resources. In the field and classroom, teams of five students are challenged to use their knowledge and critical thinking skills to conduct hands-on investigations, solve real-life scenarios and answer written questions covering five categories: Aquatics, Forestry, Wildlife, Soils, and Current Environmental Issues.

The 2014 Iowa Envirothon runner up was Riceville FFA 1. The following teams were this year's first place category winners: Marshalltown Whales 2 in Soils, Iowa City Benthos in Aquatics, Waverly-Shell Rock FFA in Wildlife, Glenwood 2 in Forestry, and Marshalltown Whales 1 in the Oral Presentation. The top FFA Score for the 2014 Iowa Envirothon competition was Riceville FFA 1. The Muscatine FFA 1 was runner up and Alburnett FFA 1 was the second runner up.

The Iowa Envirothon is hosted by the Conservation Districts of Iowa. Supporters of the Iowa Envirothon include Agren, Inc., Griggs Environmental Strategies, Inc., Iowa Farm Bureau Federation, Iowa FFA Foundation, Iowa Pork Producers Association, Iowa Soybean Association, Iowa Department of Ag & Land Stewardship- Division of Soil Conservation, and many Soil and Water Conservation Districts.

For pictures and more information, please visit <https://sites.google.com/a/cfu.net/iowa-envirothon/>.