

**SUMMARY COMMENTS**

**Morgan Monroe State Forest**      **Compartment 12 Tract 6 Amendment**      **30 Day Comment Period Ending: 4/15/2016**      **Comments**  
**Received: 1**

The table below is a summary of public comments received concerning the draft Resource Management Guide. The public comments received have been reviewed in their entirety and given due consideration summarized in the Division of Forestry response below.

Comment Summary	Division of Forestry Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concern of potential impact to Indiana bat and other RTE species.</li> <li>• Concern on nesting habitat and brown headed cowbird nest parasitism for interior forest birds as a result of the management activity.</li> <li>• Opposes the harvest prescription within the RMG due to potential impacts to habitat and ecological services.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation of the RMG will utilize guidance from the US Fish and Wildlife Service and other sources to avoid take impacts to the Indiana bat and other listed species.</li> <li>• Habitats, communities and species are considered as part of the management planning process. Along with field observations, Natural heritage data has been reviewed to check for threatened or endangered bird and wildlife species on or near the management unit.</li> <li>• Further information on direct and indirect impacts on species and habitats are found in the Indiana State Forest Environmental Assessment, including forest birds.  <a href="http://www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/files/fo-StateForests_EA.pdf">http://www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/files/fo-StateForests_EA.pdf</a></li> <li>• The prescribed management activities are consistent with silvicultural principles, promotes forest sustainability and is supported by inventory data and field assessments. The concerns expressed have been considered and may be further addressed during plan implementation.</li> </ul>