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Indiana Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee Meeting

September 13, 2016 Training Center, Morgan-Monroe State Forest, IN

Attendees

City of Carmel: Daren Mindham

Central Hardwoods Joint Venture: Larry Heggemann

ECI Duke Energy: Jeff Hagfors

Hardwood Tree Improvement and Regeneration Center: Jim McKenna

Hoosier Environmental Council: Tim Maloney

Hoosier Hikers Council: Phil Wilcoxson, Bonnie Wilcoxson

Hoosier Mountain Bike Association: Paul Arlinghaus

Indiana Association of Consulting Foresters: Mike Warner

Indiana DNR, Forestry: Dan Ernst, Chris Gonso, Brenda Huter and John Seifert

Indiana DNR, Nature Preserves: John Bacone

Indiana Forest & Woodland Owners Association: Raoul Moore

Indiana Forest Alliance: Jeff Stant

Indiana State Department of Agriculture: David Bausman

Indiana Tree Farm: Bob Burke, Ken Day

Indiana Urban Forest Council: Lee Huss

Indiana Wildlife Federation: Erin Baird

Natural Resource Conservation Service: Brian Kruse

Private Forest Owner: Tom Hougham

Purdue, Forestry & Natural Resources: Ken Kellner, Patrick Ruhl, Bob Wagner

Southern Indiana Cooperative Invasives Management: Darrell Breedlove, Steve Cotter

The Nature Conservancy, Indiana Chapter: Dan Shaver, Joe Tutterrow

The National Wild Turkey Federation, Indiana Chapter: Bud Dennemann

US Forest Service, Hoosier National Forest: Mike Chaveas, Andrea Crain

US Forest Service, State & Private: Carrie Pike

Walnut Council: Hugh Pence

All presentations posted on committee website.

Welcome & Introductions

John Seifert, State Forester, IDNR – Division of Forestry

Tom Laycock, Director of Land Acquisition, Indiana Department of Natural Resources PowerPoint Presentation: *DNR land acquisition history and future efforts*

Brian Kruse, Forester, Natural Resources Conservation Service PowerPoint Presentation: *NRCS programs and their impact on private forests*

Scott Davis, Senior Webmaster, IDNR – Communications PowerPoint Presentation: *The Internet and social media in DNR*

Mike Chaveas, Forest Supervisor, USDA - Forest Service PowerPoint Presentation: *Updates from Hoosier National Forest*

Dan Ernst, Assistant State Forester, IDNR – Division of Forestry PowerPoint Presentation: *Division of Forestry updates: properties section*

Carrie Tauscher, Community & Urban Forestry Coordinator, IDNR – Division of Forestry PowerPoint Presentation: *The state of urban forests and urban forest programs in Indiana*

Brenda Huter, Stewardship Coordinator, IDNR – Division of Forestry PowerPoint Presentation: *Division of Forestry updates: cooperative forest management*

Rich Solano, Director of Marketing, Pike Lumber Company, Akron, IN PowerPoint Presentation: *The Importance of the Indiana hardwood industry*

Kenneth Kellner, Post Doc. Purdue University, Department of Forestry and Natural Resources PowerPoint Presentation: *Response of breeding birds to forest management practices in Indiana*

Roundtable Reports

Indiana Forest Alliance: Jeff Stant IFA is working on Ecoblitz reports and interested in dispersed recreation.

Hoosier National Forest: Andrea Crane

Andrea is part of the public affairs office working on engaging public and legislative tours.

Natural Resources Conservation Service: Brian Kruse

NRCS has revised CSP program and it is now better for forest landowners.

Southern Indiana Cooperative Invasives Management: Steve Cotter

SICIM is working to get county-level CWMA type groups started in southern Indiana. They are also participating in the Joint Chief project to start a strike team.

Hoosier Environmental Council: Tim Maloney

HEC is involved in supporting efforts to create a greenway instead of a reservoir near Mounds State Park. HEC has their annual "Greening the Statehouse" event in November.

Private Landowner: Tom Hougham CILTI did a Bioblitz on his property.

IDNR- Nature Preserves: John Bacone Nature preserves is working with other divisions to preserve big ash trees.

Indiana Forest & Woodland Owners Association: Raoul Moore

IFOWA's annual meeting will be in Columbus in November.

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Northeastern area is organizing a seed zone summit in early May.

Purdue University: Bob Wagner

Bob Wagner is the new FNR department head and in the 2nd week of work. His background is as a silviculturist and researcher. He spent 18 years in Maine.

Central Hardwoods Joint Venture: Larry Heggemann

CHJV is working on the Joint Chief project. They are putting on a workshop in February.

Hoosier Mountain Bike Association: Paul Arlinghaus

HMBA is working on trails in Yellowwood State Forest.

Indiana Tree Farm: Bob Burke

This is the 75th anniversary for Tree Farm. They have announced tree farmer, logger and outdoor lab of the year.

Please send recommended changes to these draft meeting notes to the Indiana Division of Forestry via email.