

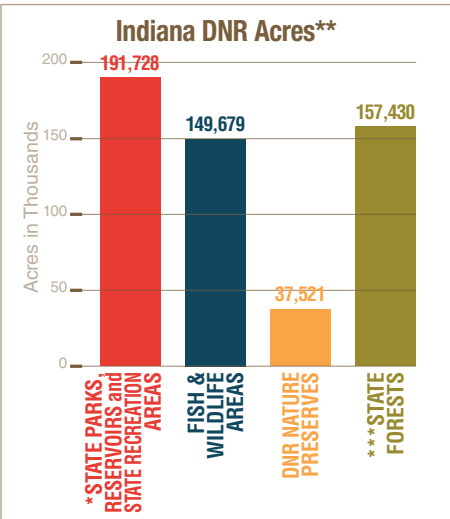
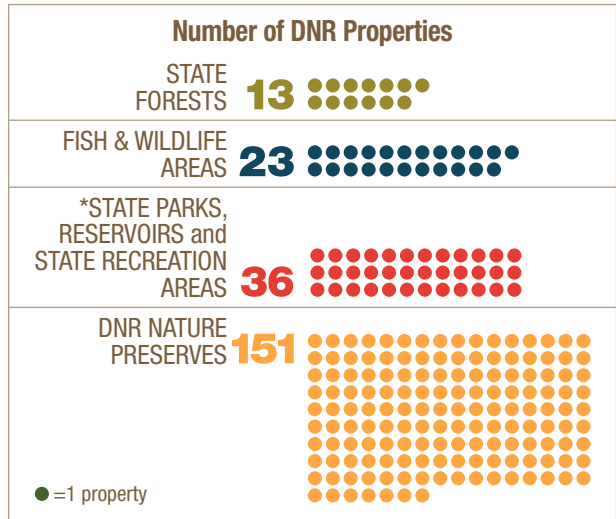
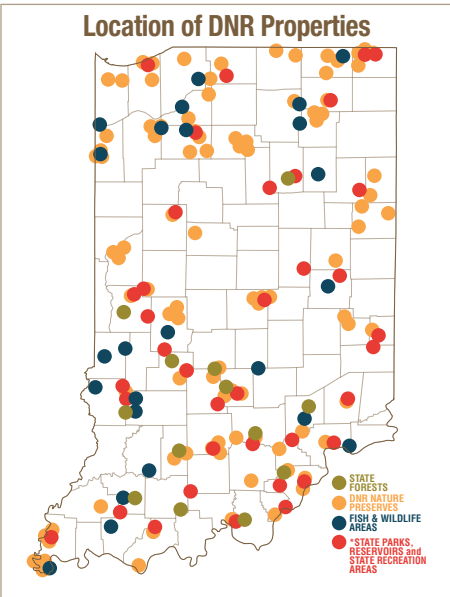
DNR Property Portfolio

Statewide, the DNR portfolio designates lands focused on key conservation priorities and natural resource benefits. Among the portfolio priorities are:

- 1. Natural resource based recreation (camp, hike, bike, boat, etc.)**
- 2. Wildlife and habitat conservation**
- 3. Preservation and conservation of high-value natural areas**
- 4. Conservation of timber, soil and wildlife resources**

Of all DNR land holdings, State Forests are charged and uniquely positioned to conserve long-term timber resources, soil and wildlife for the use and enjoyment of current and future generations.

There are an additional 137 DNR-dedicated Nature Preserves on partnering lands (city, county, land trusts etc.), covering more than 14,500 acres. DNR owns a protective covenant for each.



Public Input Opportunities

- Statewide Forest Assessment
- Strategic Planning Input
- Resource management guides, web posting and commenting
- Annual State Forest open houses
- Commissioned surveys
- Online open commenting

Why Plan? Why Manage?

- Healthy, diverse forests are more resilient to the dangers and risks of fire, disease, insects, climate change and other threats.
- Planning identifies strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats, and focuses on efforts to succeed.
- Healthy forests contribute greatly to the health of Indiana.

Other DNR Planning & Commissions

- Indiana Natural Resources Commission
- Indiana Forest Stewardship Coordinating Committee
- State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP)
- State Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan (SCORP)
- Natural Heritage Database

Ongoing State Forest Planning

Indiana Statewide Forest Assessment and Action Plan 2019-2020

- USDA Farm Bill Requirement - Includes public and private forests

Division of Forestry Strategic Plan

- New 2020-2025 plan to be developed 2019-2020
- Plan sets a 5-year strategic direction to guide State Forests toward long-term forest health and sustainability, and achievement of key conservation goals

Resource Management Guides

- Detailed tract-level analysis of 1,700 parcels - Approximately 50-100 tracts reviewed annually

State Forest Environmental Assessment

- 2008-2027 plan with periodic updates

Habitat Conservation Plan (In Progress)

- Comprehensive State Forest plan for conservation of Indiana bats

Research and Monitoring

- Ongoing peer-reviewed work to study forest health, responsiveness and resiliency

Forest Inventory Analysis

- Annual detailed data collection on tree growth, health and mortality

Historic Preservation/Cultural Resource Site Surveys

For more information, visit dnr.IN.gov/forestry

* Includes 2 State Forest State Recreation Areas
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