

Splinter Ridge Fish & Wildlife Area, located near Brooksburg on S.R.56, is dedicated to providing quality hunting opportunities while maintaining 3,014 acres of woodland and steep hills.







HISTORY

Splinter Ridge Fish & Wildlife Area straddles the Jefferson and Switzerland county line in southeast Indiana, about 9 miles from Madison. The property draws its name from a major ridge and historic logging road. The DNR began looking at the 2,759 contiguous acres of wooded hills and grassy pastures in the early 1980s. With donations from the Indiana Bowhunters Association, Indiana chapter of the National Wild Turkey Federation, and the Indiana Sportsmen's Roundtable, the DNR was able to buy the property in 1997.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

In addition to state fish & wildlife laws, this property is governed by posted regulations affecting the public use of lands and facilities owned, leased or licensed by the DNR.

POSTED AREAS

Safety zones and other restricted areas are marked with appropriate signs.

VIOLATIONS

Violation of any law, rule or regulation governing this property may be cause for forfeiting your hunting or visiting privileges on this area.

RESPONSIBILITY

The DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife will not be held responsible for any accidents or deaths occurring from the use of these facilities.

PERMITS

In addition to a hunting and/or fishing license, permission to hunt during the day on Splinter Ridge FWA must be

All visitors must obtain a one-day access permit before entering the field, regardless of their activity. The one-day access permit must be kept with you while visiting and must be completed and returned to a self-service drop box before leaving.

CAMPING/SWIMMING

Camping and swimming are prohibited at Splinter Ridge FWA.

TRESPASSING ON PRIVATE PROPERTY

Please be courteous to neighboring landowners. Watch for property boundary and safety zone signs. Do not trespass on private property.

TRAFFIC

Traffic on public roads through the area is governed by state and county laws. No motorized vehicles, horses or bicycles are permitted beyond county roads. Traffic over service roads and trails is restricted to walking, except by authorized vehicles.

TARGET SHOOTING

Target shooting is prohibited on Splinter Ridge FWA.

HUNTING

- The steep, wooded hills of Splinter Ridge FWA provide excellent white-tailed deer and wild turkey habitat. Squirrels are also abundant. Limited hunting opportunities are available for cottontail rabbit, quail and woodcock.
- Check-in is required. A self check-in station is located at parking lot 3 (see map). Daily permit cards must be in the possession of the hunter to enter the field. The cards must be returned to a drop box at the end of the day. Drop boxes are located in parking areas 1, 3, 6 and 7.
- · All hunting seasons and bag limits apply.

TRAPPING

Call Crosley FWA at 812-346-5596 for regulations.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

- Additional hunting opportunities include Crosley FWA and Austin Bottoms Conservation Area.
- Steep terrain and limited vehicle access to the interior makes hunting difficult for disabled individuals. Contact Crosley FWA for information on accessible sites.
- Gathering berries, mushrooms and nuts is allowed. During spring turkey season, gathering berries, mushrooms and nuts is only permitted
- Dog Training is allowed between 60N and Little Doe Run Road.
- · Rolling hayfields, steep, wooded hills, brushy tracts and small creeks attract a wide variety of songbirds and woodpeckers.

NEIGHBORING LAND

- Crosley FWA provides 4,288 acres of steep to gently rolling hills and 3.5 miles of the Muscatatuck River for hunting and fishing. The location is Jennings County, south of North Vernon on S.R. 3.
- Clifty Falls State Park offers camping, picnicking, hiking and swimming. Located near Madison, entrances are off S.R. 62 and S.R. 56.
- · Muscatatuck County Park provides camping, picnicking and playgrounds. Located 3 miles from Crosley FWA on S.R. 3 and S.R. 7 between Vernon and North Vernon.
- Austin Bottoms Conservation Area, located in Scott, Jackson and Washington counties, provide hunting, fishing and trapping opportunities.

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SPLINTER RIDGE

FISH & WILDLIFE AREA

FUNDING FOR FISH AND WILDLIFE

The DNR Division of Fish & Wildlife sells hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses. All revenue is used for managing fish and wildlife resources in Indiana. No license money goes into the state general fund.

The Division also receives money from the federal Sport Fish and Wildlife Restoration programs (sometimes referred to as Dingell-Johnson and Pittman-Robertson funds). The funds are derived from excise taxes levied on sporting arms and ammunition, bows and arrows, fishing equipment and motor boat fuel. The funds are then returned to state fish and wildlife agencies using a formula that in part is based on the number of fishing and hunting license buyers.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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- 3. Chinook
- 4. Crosley
- 5. Deer Creek
- 6. Fairbanks Landing
- 7. Glendale
- 8. Goose Pond
- 9. Hillenbrand 10. Hovey Lake
- 11. Jasper-Pulaski
- 12. Kankakee

- 23. Willow Slough 24. Winamac

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