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Greene-Sullivan State Forest Office

You are cordially invited to attend our Open House on Thursday, June 16, 2016 from **2 p.m. until 6 p.m.** at our office.

We will outline projects for the upcoming year, answer questions and take comments on future, past or present projects.

The power is connected in Narrow Campground to cabins, shelter house, and campsites with RV pedestals.



Rent-a-Camp Cabin

Reserve online
www.camp.in.gov

1-866-622-6746

Walk-in rental at Greene-Sullivan State Forest Office

The Fishing Forest

Past and Future Events

By Steve Siscoe, Property Manager

Greetings once again friends and neighbors! I would like to invite you to our Open House from 2-6 pm June 16 at the Greene-Sullivan State Forest office. We will outline projects for the coming year and be available to discuss any other topics of interest. We have a few projects we are still working on from last year plus we have a few new ones planned.

A huge thanks go to last year's crew for all of their hard work. We are also very thankful to the volunteers that assisted us with various projects throughout the year. We have some new faces on board this year that are working hard to keep the property up to standards and a couple more that will be starting soon. Greene-Sullivan, and several other forest properties, will be offering a campground host position during the recreation season. Information may be found at <http://www.in.gov/dnr/parklake/files/sp-Campground-Host-Summaries.pdf>.

Last year was another good year for the forest as we were able to increase our camping revenues due mostly to the new cabins. We had many returning visitors as well as new ones. I'm always pleased when I talk to folks that say we have been coming here for years. It is also very positive when we talk to folks that say this is our first time to visit and hope they will continue to return for "years". We also had a couple successful timber sales that generated revenue for the property. We completed a timber salvage sale on the area next to Downing Lake where we plan to expand camping opportunities by adding more cabins and electric campsites.

Purdue University has an experimental tree plantation near White Ash lake on County Road 400S. They are monitoring the survival and growth of trees on abandoned mine land where they completed a reclamation project. A fishery survey was completed on the Dugger Unit in Duck and Bass Lakes. Only a couple muskies were sampled in Duck Lake but 24 was found in Bass Lake with the biggest one measuring 43 inches. In addition to the muskies some large channel catfish were surveyed as well as some 15 inch crappies. Bass lake should be near the top of any fishermen's list to spend a day. The Division of Reclamation fixed a subsidence hole north of Graveyard Lake.

Upcoming projects include getting the six additional cabins we pulled in this spring hooked up to electricity and set up on the campground reservation system. We will also be installing a new water line that will go to the new shower house. The new shower house is moving a little slower than anticipated due to changes in personnel and weather but is still in the works. The Division of Reclamation is looking at several areas that have high walls and is developing plans to slope the areas to make them safer. The tract near Goodman Lake will become an active timber sale during the next year. Once the logger moves in, access to the area will be restricted. A proposal to improve the section of County Line road in front of Reservoir 26 as well as the road past Goodman Lake is moving forward. I'm hoping that funding will be approved so these roads can be improved. We will have a couple Purdue students here this summer working to control some of our invasive plants. Additional information on all of these projects will be available at our Open House held at the forest office on June 16 from 2-6 pm. Make sure to stop by and visit.

Remember to enjoy the outdoors and take the kids with you.

Resource Management Program



By Steve Siscoe, Property Manager

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

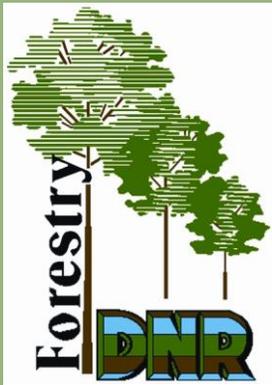
SUMMER HOURS:

Memorial Day to Labor Day

Closed Mondays

Tuesday-Friday
8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Saturday 8:00 a.m. to Noon



*The Division of
Forestry Mission:*

To promote and practice good forest stewardship on Indiana's public and private lands. This stewardship produces continuing benefits, both tangible and intangible, for present and future generations

Our resource management position is currently vacant, so I will be filling in to maintain the program. This will mean very few new projects but will allow us to keep our program active.

Ongoing projects are timber sales in C5T9, in the Reservoir 29 area and C3T6 in the Goodman Lake area. The "C" stands for compartment and the "T" stands for tract. The forest is broken up into compartments and tracts for management purposes. These vary in size but identify specific areas of the forest. Most people are more familiar with lake names though so that is what we use most often.

We do have a couple of Purdue students studying forestry that will be here for about a month working on eliminating some invasive plants. Some of the plants we intend to target are privet and burning bush which were widely used as hedges. They will also target Japanese stilt grass, ailanthus, Japanese knotweed, bush honeysuckle, and autumn olive. These non-native plants often crowd out and out compete with our native species altering our natural communities. I would encourage everyone to do the same if at all possible. If you have questions feel free to come to our Open House June 16 from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm at the forest office, or stop by or call during regular business hours.

50inch Muskie taken at Bass Lake on 10/11/15 by Bruce Frost.





Fees for 2016:

Camping fees for 2016:

Class C is \$13.00/night

Horse Camp is \$16.00/night

Electric Campsites & Cabins

Sunday-Wednesday \$24.61/night

Thursday-Saturday \$32.10/night

Holidays \$35.31/night

Rent a Camp Cabin \$44.80/night

(above fees includes taxes.

There is a \$5 one time

processing fee per reservation)

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Bridal tags - required from

January 1 to December 31

Annual Horse Tags - \$20.00

Daily Horse Tags - \$5.00

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Interesting Websites:

Big Trees of Indiana

www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/8169.htm

Indiana Bird News by date

<http://birding.aba.org/maillist/IN01>

Injured or Orphaned Animals

www.in.gov/dnr/fishwild/5492.htm

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Fishing Forest via email,
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greenesf@dnr.in.gov

Camping Cabin Description and User Rules

- Minimum age to rent a cabin is 21 years old.
- Check-in: 3:00 PM. Check-out: 12:00 PM.
- Quiet hours are from 11:00 PM to 7:00 AM.
- Maximum capacity is 5 persons/cabin.
- Leasing or sub-leasing cabins is prohibited.
- No camping outside cabins or in parking areas. (No tents, camping trailers, RVs, etc.)
- Cabin contains one set of twin bunk beds, one full size bed frame, small loft, table and 2 benches. No mattresses or linens provided.
- Exterior front porch with swing.
- Smoking and Cooking in cabins is prohibited.
- No appliances, utensils or cooking area provided in cabin.
- Gas lanterns, candles and open flame prohibited in cabin and on porch.
- Fires allowed only in the campsite fire ring provided. Completely extinguish fire before vacating the campsite.
- Cabins do not contain running water or restroom facilities.
- Vault toilets and running water available nearby.
- Water fountain/spigot available nearby.
- Do not nail, screw or affix items to cabin interior or exterior except on hooks provided.
- Two vehicles permitted at cabin. Additional vehicles must park in the overflow lot.
- 1 picnic table provided.
- Pets are not permitted in the cabin.
- Cabin contains 2 overhead ceiling fans w/light.
- Cabin has smoke alarm and fire extinguisher.
- Cabin has rear egress/escape window.
- Cabins are equipped with a small heater/AC unit. Supplemental heat and A/C units are prohibited.
- Cabin has 20 AMP interior convenience outlets and 1 front porch exterior outlet.
- Broom and dust pan provided. **Please, sweep floors & remove trash from cabin before departure to avoid cleaning fees.**
- At check-in customer is required to sign a damage/cleaning release form. Damages or excessive cleaning incurred may result in additional fees.
- Violation of rules may result in assessed damages, fines or expulsion and loss of fees paid.

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