



Indiana Forest Stewardship Advisory Council

Thursday, July 17, 2025, 9:30 – 3:45 p.m.

Morgan-Monroe State Forest
Training Center, Fire Headquarters
6220 Forest Road Martinsville, IN 46151

Agenda

9:30 am	Introductions & DNR Updates	John Seifert, Director, IDNR - Division of Forestry
9:45 am	DNR Goals for 2025 & Beyond	Alan Morrison, Director, Indiana Department of Natural Resources
10:00 am	Indiana DNR – Division of Forestry’s 5-Year Strategic Direction	IDNR - Division of Forestry staff
10:30 am	Break	
10:45 am	NRCS Updates of EQIP and CRP	Dan Shaver, State Forester, Indiana Natural Resources Conservation Service
11:15 am	Indiana Prescribed Fire Plan	Mahala Griffin, Assistant Property Manager, IDNR - Division of Forestry
11:45 am	Voluntary Forest Carbon Markets	John Seifert, Director, IDNR - Division of Forestry
12:15 pm	<i>Lunch – Provided by Division of Forestry</i>	
1:00 pm	Indiana Forest Management Public Opinion Survey Results	Erica Kroenberger, Human Dimensions Research Coordinator, Purdue University – Forestry & Natural Resources
2:00 pm	Urban Forestry Updates	Racheal Stenger, Outreach Coordinator, IDNR – Division of Forestry, Community & Urban Forestry Madeline Gullion, Urban Forestry Specialist, IDNR – Division of Forestry, Community & Urban Forestry
2:45 pm	Break	
3:00 pm	Private Lands Update	IDNR - Division of Forestry staff
3:30 pm	Indiana Hardwood Exports	Chris Gonso, Hardwoods Program Manager, Indiana State Department of Agriculture
4:15 pm	Adjourn	

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Indiana Forest Action Plan

- 1.) *Conserve, manage and protect existing forests, especially large forest patches, with increased emphasis on oak regeneration*
- 2.) *Restore, expand and connect forests, especially in riparian areas*
- 3.) *Connect people to forests, especially children and land-use decision makers, and coordinate education training and technical assistance*
- 4.) *Maintain and expand markets for Indiana hardwoods, with special focus on secondary processors and promoting the environmental benefits of wood products to local communities and school groups*
- 5.) *Significantly increase the size of Indiana’s urban forest canopy by developing community assistance programs and tools*