Additional Resources Available Through Indiana PLT

Virtual Forest CD series: Teachers are often limited to one field trip per year. For a trip to the forest to be worthwhile, students must be prepared in advance. The Virtual Forest CDs are intended to do just that. The Virtual Forest gives students hands-on experience in learning about our nation’s forests, factors that play a role in how and where trees grow, and the cultural and economic impacts of management. The ability to simulate measuring specific trees and distances within forest plots helps prepare students to conduct a real plot analysis in the field. The interactive tree key prepares students for field identification. And a few games thrown in for fun (and learning) ensure that students remain engaged in their journey through the forest. Educators, natural resource managers and forest industry representatives who have seen these CDs demonstrated have marveled at their content, versatility and ease of use. The CDs are appropriate for grades 4 through high school with some applications even more challenging. CDs are available covering the Central Hardwoods, Boreal Forest, Southern Pines, and Rocky Mountains Virtual Forest. The Virtual Forest project is funded through the Indiana Forestry Educational Foundation, a 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization that supports further forestry educational efforts.

For more information about any of these items, please contact the Indiana PLT office.
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This hour-long documentary follows one of Indiana’s greatest natural resources, our trees, from the beautiful hardwood forests to the showrooms of finished forest products. You’ll learn how sustainable management has resulted in Indiana having 3 times more forestland today than it did in 1900, and see how forests impact our everyday lives—from our community and urban trees to the very air we breathe! Whether you are an educator, forestry professional, or someone who just enjoys trees, you’ll find this show to be both educational and very entertaining.

DVD Order Form (please print clearly)

Name & address___________________________________
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______ DVDs @ $10 each = $_______

Please enclose a check for the amount above made payable to IFEF-PLT and send to: Indiana Division of Forestry, “Forests At Work”, 402 W. Washington--Rm. W296, Indianapolis, IN 46204
For more information or to view clips from the show, go to www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/3603.htm.