

## **AGENDA ITEM #5**

### **Consideration of the dedication of the Granville Sand Barrens Roy Whistler Addition Nature Preserve in Tippecanoe County**

This proposed Nature Preserve is located in Tippecanoe County within the Central Till Plain Natural Region.

This property contains sand barrens and mesic floodplain forest. This addition adds 37.34 acres to the existing 40 acres dedicated in 2003.

The sandy soils on the property protect a very rare community type that was laid down at the end of the glaciers during the Maumee Torrent. The site is home to state endangered golden asters, ornate box turtles and threatened fringed puccoon and forked blue curls, as well as a host of other interesting species like six-lined racerunners, sand milkweed and royal catchfly.

It is owned by NICHES Land Trust, INC.

The Division of Nature Preserves recommends dedication of this site as a State Nature Preserve.

Attached is Nature Preserves exhibit A.

**AGENDA ITEM #5**

Granville Sand Barrens Roy Whistler Nature Preserve  
Tippecanoe County  
37.34 acres

NRC Exhibit A  
USGS Quad: Otterbein  
Ownership: NICHES Land Trust

