

AGENDA ITEM #6

Consideration of the dedication of the Wea Creek Gravel Hill Prairie Nature Preserve in Tippecanoe County

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

This property protects gravel slope barrens that have formed from hillside topography and gravelly substrate. This leads to a prairie plant community that includes several species uncommon to Indiana.

Wea Creek Gravel Hill Prairie Nature Preserve protects several plant populations including *Lithospermum incisum*, *Phlox bifida*, and *Erysimum capitatum*. There are only three remaining sites in Indiana that protect this habitat and the associated rare flora.

It is owned by Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

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

Attached is Nature Preserves exhibit A.

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Wea Creek Gravel Hill Prairie Nature Preserve
Tippecanoe County
2.00 acres

NRC Exhibit A
USGS Quad: Lafayette West
Ownership: DNR

