

**Consideration of the dedication of the Sundew Prairie Addition to the Hoosier Prairie Nature Preserve in Lake County**

This proposed Nature Preserve is located in Lake County within the Northwestern Morainal Natural Region.

Hoosier Prairie contains one of the largest tracts of native prairie and savanna left in Indiana. This property adds 24.77 acres of wet sand prairie and oak savanna to the Hoosier Prairie Conservation Area. The associated flora includes several rare species, including northern bog clubmoss, paper birch, and several sedges.

In 1978, Hoosier Prairie was designated as a National Natural landmark. The property is within the authorized boundary of the Indiana Dunes National Park, but it is owned by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources.

The Division of Fish, Wildlife, and Nature Preserves recommends dedication of this site as a State Nature Preserve.

Attached is Nature Preserves Exhibit A.

Hoosier Prairie Sundew Prairie Addition Nature Preserve, Lake County

