Indiana Department of Natural Resources
Division of Forestry
State Forest Resource Management Guide Public Comment Summary

SUMMARY COMMENTS

Harrison Crawford State Forest Compartment 26 Tract 3 30 Day Comment Period Ending: 7/6/2013 Comments Received: 1

The table below is a summary of public comments received concerning the draft Resource Management Guide. The public comments received have been reviewed in their entirety and given due consideration summarized in the Division of Forestry response below.

Comment Summary	Division of Forestry Response
 Pleased with reduced tree harvest recommendation near the Adventure Hiking Trail Concern about soil erosion and impact on Blue River habitat Concern on impact to Indiana bat. Recommends adherence to USFWS guidelines Concern about impact to recreation users at nearby O'Bannon Woods State Park Recommends tract as a 'no cut' State Park buffer or ownership transferred to the state park. 	 The Division of Forestry will consider recreational trail impacts during management activities. Best management practices will be implemented and monitored to address the soil erosion concerns. The Division of Forestry will utilize guidance from the US Fish and Wildlife Service to avoid take impacts to the Indiana bat. Harvest operations will typically occur during the recreation off season which will lessen potential impacts on State Park recreation users. Forestry will work closely with State Park personnel as resource management activities are conducted to reduce impacts. No land transfers are currently planned between the State Park and State Forest. However, both are part of DNR and work cooperatively to address resource concerns.