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

SUMMARY COMMENTS

Morgan Monroe State Forest

Compartment 2 Tract 6

30 Day Comment Period Ending:11/14/2013 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
 Concerned that management progression does not follow the 2009 Process flow chart. Claiming past unmitigated issues, expresses concern about proper implementation of BMPs. Concerned about terminology used to describe trees and forest conditions. Suggests definition of 'mature' and 'overmature' trees . Commenter would like more details than provided in the guide as it relates to wildlife and timber inventories and assessments. Opposes commercial timber sale in this tract 	 Per the Resource Management Process, the flowchart order and timeline are for reference and are approximate. Actual process activities may occur somewhat out of the shown order. Comments received during comment periods are given consideration as part of the overall management process. BMPs will be included in timber sales contracts and their implementation monitored to address the soil erosion and sedimentation. Management guide terminology noted considers many factors, including the factors suggested and provide valuable guidance to managing foresters. The management guide provides an overview of wildlife and timber resources rather than full data and details used for guide development. Additional assessment data may be available by request. The DRMG provide a harvest range. Actual harvest volumes are determined at time individual trees are selected, measured and marked by the property forester. The prescribed management activities are supported by inventory data and field assessments. The concerns expressed have been considered and may be further addressed during plan implementation.