

**Resource Management Guides
Ferdinand-Pike State Forest
30-day Public Comment Period (December 5 – January 3, 2022)**

The Indiana State Forest system consists of approximately 160, 251 acres of primarily forested land. These lands are managed under the principle of multiple use-multiple benefit to provide forest conservation, goods, and services for current and future generations. The management is guided by scientific principles, guiding legislation and comprehensive forest certification standards which are independently audited to help insure long term forest health, resiliency, and sustainability.

For management and planning purposes each State Forest is divided into a system of compartments and tracts. In general terms compartments are 300-1,000 acres in size and their subunits (tracts) are 10 - 300 acres in size. Resource Management Guides (RMGs) are then developed for each tract to guide their management through a 15-25 year management period. There are 1,590 tracts in the State Forest system. During annual planning efforts 50-100 tracts are reviewed and RMGs developed based on current conditions, inventories and assessments.

The Ferdinand-Pike State Forest RMGs listed below were previously posted for a 30-day public comment period. Because 5 or more years has elapsed since the last comment period with no prescribed management activities initiated, the original RMGs are being reposted for public comments. The tracts have been reviewed and any amendments to the original RMG(s) addressed below.

Compartment 7 Tract 9
Compartment 7 Tract 10

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You must indicate the State Forest Name, Compartment number and Tract number in the “subject or file reference” line to ensure that your comment receives appropriate consideration. Comments received within 30 days of posting will be considered and review posted at:

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**Ferdinand-Pike State Forest
Compartment 7 Tract 9
Resource Management Guide (Amendment)
November 1, 2022**

Link to original RMG:

https://www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/files/fo-FP_C7_T09_091412.pdf

Compartment 7 Tract 9 (Amendment)

Identified as 6310709 https://www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/files/compmaps/fo-Ferd_CT_Boundaries.pdf

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The net gain from overall growth is estimated to add an additional 15-20% removal volume to the original projected harvest volume.

A follow-up review of the Natural Heritage Database was conducted.

**Ferdinand-Pike State Forest
Compartment 7 Tract 10
Resource Management Guide (Amendment)
November 1, 2022**

Link to original RMG:

https://www.in.gov/dnr/forestry/files/fo-FSF_C7T10_08272014.pdf

Compartment 7 Tract 10 (Amendment)

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