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The New Forest Plan Clearcutting As Usual



THE HOOSIER NATIONAL FOREST HAS ISSUED ITS LONG AWAITED PROPOSED PLAN AMENDMENT AND DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The new Proposed Forest Plan features a 7,700,000 board foot annual timber sale quantity, mostly by clearcutting, and oil & gas production on 85,500 acres. This is a 50% reduction in timber harvest since the 1985 plan was appealed, and a 21,500 acre increase in forest preserves. We applaud this change. But much better biological and economic planning decisions are contained in Plan Alternative E, designed by Protect Our Woods.

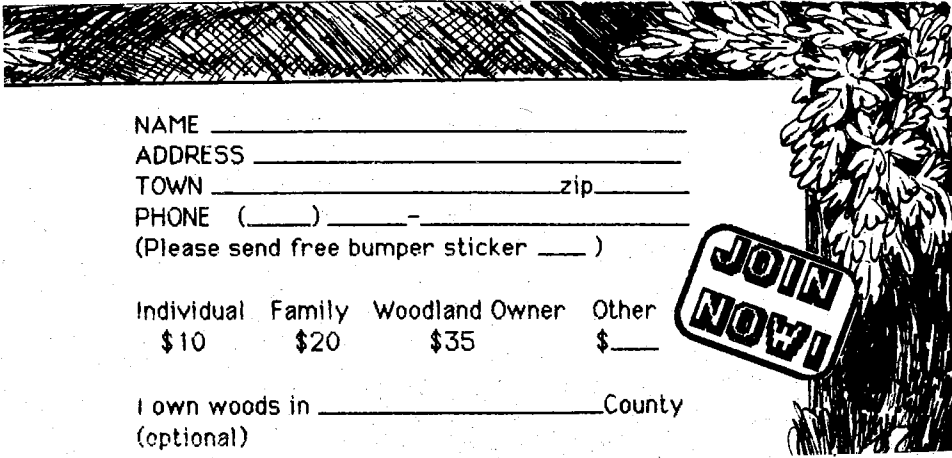
The big decisions concern **TIMBER HARVEST LEVELS** and **OIL & GAS PRODUCTION**. The most important reasons for making these decisions include **BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY, LOCAL ECONOMIC IMPACT, and PUBLIC OPINION**. Locally and nationally, the Forest Service refuses to discuss these questions because they know that the results will be no logging and no oil & gas production.

8th Congressional District Poll:

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69% Against Logging Hoosier National Forest

A recent letter from 8th District Congressman Frank McCloskey to Supervisor Frank Voytas shows stunning support for PROTECT OUR WOODS' position opposing timber harvest on the Hoosier National Forest. In a poll by Cooper and Secrest, 800 8th District voters were asked: "Do you favor or oppose the harvesting of timber for sale from the Hoosier National Forest?" 69% were opposed, 19% favored, and 12% were unsure. Among voters 18-34, a remarkable 79% opposed, only 15% favored timber harvest, and 6% were unsure. The 8th District contains half the HNF and much timber dependent industry.



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Individual Family Woodland Owner Other
 \$10 \$20 \$35 \$_____

I own woods in _____ County
 (optional)

Also Available

Bumper stickers (free with membership)	\$1
Hoosier National Forest map (free with \$30 donation)	\$4
PROTECT OUR WOODS 100% cotton t-shirt grn & brn on tan, white, or yellow (free with \$100 donation)	\$12

earth day



Founding member Mary Beth Gibbons presents Mayor Connie Nass a plaque honoring her for Huntingburg's curbside recycling program.



Jim Keown's Fairmont Kindergarten class joined PROTECT OUR WOODS and made this quilt for Indianapolis Earthday. We also exhibited at New Albany, Bloomington, Nashville, Jasper, and Patoka Lake on Earthday.



Treasurer John Maier plants an American Chestnut tree. We planted Chestnut groves at Patoka Visitor Center and Vincennes U. Jasper. Chestnuts were the giants of the primeval hardwood forest. When the blight struck, they were all cut for lumber. They are now being reintroduced in hopes that some will develop resistance.

HARRIS NATIONAL POLL	
results showing indispensable values selected by American adults:	
Happy family life	97%
Clean environment	95%
Close friends	85%
Successful career	80%
Satisfying sex life	71%
Good income	60%

