



August 30, 2022

RE: Sustainable Forest Initiative (SFI) Certification

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter expresses the commitment of the Indiana Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry to manage the certified state forest lands in a manner consistent with the Sustainable Forest Initiative (SFI) 2022 Standards.

The Indiana state forest system has a long and proud history of managing, enhancing, and protection all the intrinsic values of the state forest lands since 1903. This philosophy may be best summed up in the Mission Statement developed by the employees responsible for the management of Indiana's state forest system:

“We, the employees of the property section of the Division of Forestry, will demonstrate sound forest stewardship in our management of the Division's public forest lands. These lands will provide forest products, outdoor recreation, educational opportunities and other benefits, both tangible and intangible. We will conserve, protect, enhance and make available the varied forest resources of state forest properties for the present and future citizens of Indiana.”

The Division of Forestry's commitment to the SFI 2022 Standards is one effort to fulfill this mission.

Sincerely,

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Indiana State Forester