

Webinar Title ----*The White's Woods Nature Center: Current Value & Future Care (Draft Plan)*

DATE/Time - March 15, noon-1:00 p.m.

Presented by: FWW Board of Directors

Webinar Description:

After months of working with consultants in forestry, forest ecology, invasive plant biology, stormwater management, invasive plant management, climate change, forest songbird habitat, forest carbon sequestration, along with reading numerous DCNR reports and DCNR management plans approved for other Project 70 lands, Friends of White's Woods is poised to offer both a list of ideal goals and supporting data for long-term protection of the White's Woods Nature Center. All goals must be reviewed by the public and modified as appropriate.

In this webinar, FWW Board members will review the assembled 121-page draft FWW document that includes 44 specific objectives, based on public survey input and detailed reports from DCNR, and numerous FWW consultants, including forester Mike Wolf and invasive plant specialists Dr. Sara Kuebbing and Dr. Marion Holmes.

White's Woods Nature Center: Current Value & Future Care is divided into six main sections: (1) Purposes of the White's Woods Nature Center; (2) Promotion of Recreation for All; (3) Support for DCNR Efforts to Mitigate Climate Change and to Protect the Indiana Region; (4) Support for the WWNC as a Steady Revenue Source - By Leaving the Woods Intact; (5) Protection of the WWNC for Future Generations ; and (6) appendices that includes DCNR and FWW consultant reports.

The plan emphasizes reliance on natural succession, allowing this young forest to mature to old growth, reliance on volunteers for Nature Center maintenance, data collection regarding at-risk species and changes resulting from climate impact, along with reliance on least-intrusive means for caring for our community forest.

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