

Wayne National Forest

Administrative Correction # 2

Administrative corrections are defined at 36 CFR 219.7(b) (2008 Planning Rule) and may be made at any time and are not plan amendments or revisions, and do not require public notice or the preparation of an environmental document under Forest Service NEPA procedures.

Administrative corrections include the following:

1. Corrections and updates of data and maps;
2. Corrections of typographical errors or other non-substantive changes;
3. Changes in the monitoring program and monitoring information (§ 219.6(b));
4. Changes in timber management projections or other projections of uses or activities; and
5. Other changes in the plan document or set of documents that are not substantive changes in the plan components

D. Projection of Uses or Activities - Miles of Fireline

Following printing of the 2006 Forest Plan and monitoring of firelines for prescribed burning it was determined that the miles of fireline needed to implement the Forest Plan projected program was underestimated. Miles of fireline were analyzed as a ground disturbing activity in the FEIS for the 2006 Forest Plan under potential effects to watersheds, soils, non-native invasive species and related to prescribed fire. Standards and guidelines were developed and included in the 2006 Forest Plan to reduce or eliminate these potential effects.

Miles of fireline were also used in considering potential effects to the Indiana bat. This potential effect was to estimate the number of trees with Indiana bat roosting habitat which might be removed. The estimates at the time of the Forest Plan development were based on experience estimates by specialists. Monitoring of fireline construction during 2006 and 2007 has shown that the number of potential trees was significantly over-estimated. The following table has been extracted from the analysis work that was completed with this change.

Estimates of hazard trees that may be felled with a higher fireline construction mileage.

	Updated Calculation * (for 750 miles fireline)	Forest Plan Calculation^ (for 74 miles fireline)
A Total number hazard trees encountered on fireline	14,244	28,000
B Hazard trees encountered per foot of fireline	1 every 264 feet	1 every 14 feet
C Hazard trees with Indiana bat characteristics encountered per foot of fireline	1 every 1,158 feet	1 every 42 feet
D Total number hazard trees with Indiana bat characteristics	3,419	9,300

