

Monroe County Emergency Declaration

Monroe County, Indiana

Whereas, Monroe County owns property, whose parcel number is 016-05210-11, which facilitates drainage of the area; and,

Whereas, recently it was discovered that the area was used for camping, meth manufacturing, syringe use, and refuse; and,

Whereas, the area contains many hazardous waste, impairing the health and safety of the community.

Now, therefore, the Monroe County Board of Commissioners, declares that a local disaster emergency exists in the County and that hereby invokes and declares that those portions of the Indiana Code, particularly Ind. Code 5-16-1-1.6, which are applicable to the conditions and have caused the issuance of this proclamation, to be in full force and effect in the County for the exercise of all necessary emergency authority for protection of the lives and property of the people of this County and the restoration of local government with a minimum of interruption.

County staff is authorized to invite quotes from three different vendors for removal of undergrowth and underbrush, disposal of undergrowth and underbrush, grading and reseeding the property with a deadline no later than 9 am on Thursday. The Commissioners Administrator is authorized to execute the lowest quote.

Reference is hereby made to all appropriate laws, statutes, ordinances, and resolutions and particularly to Indiana Code 5-16-1-1.6.

All residents are called upon and directed to comply with necessary emergency measures, to cooperate with public officials and disaster services forces, and to obey and comply with the lawful directions of properly identified officers.

In witness, whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this 8th day of June, 2022.

Monroe County Board of Commissioners

Julie Thomas, President

Penny Githens, Vice President

Lee Jones, Member

Attest: _____

Catherine Smith County Auditor