

## **Errata for Lower Clover Biological Assessment**

While incorporating information from the Lower Clover Biological Assessment into the EA, we discovered errors in the timber harvest acres given for the 6-mile radius Virginia big-eared bat area of influence that partially overlaps the project area. These errors can be found on pages 15, 17, and 18 under the discussion of effects of alternatives B and C on the Virginia big-eared.

The BA incorrectly states that Alternative B includes 23 acres of regeneration harvest within the Virginia big-eared bat 6-mile radius area of influence. In fact, Alternative B as proposed would include approximately 47 acres of regeneration harvest in the Virginia big-eared bat area of influence. If the portion of the harvest that falls within the Indiana bat primary range is dropped, as has been recommended by the District Ranger, the regeneration harvest within the Virginia big-eared bat area of influence would drop to approximately 37 acres.

The BA also incorrectly states that Alternative C includes 23 acres of thinning harvest within the Virginia big-eared bat 6-mile radius area of influence. The actual thinning harvest within the area of influence would be approximately 36 acres.

For both alternatives, the BA states that the 23 acres of harvest is 0.03 percent of the 72,382-acre area of influence. The corrected acres, approximately 47 or 37 for Alternative B, and approximately 36 for Alternative C, are all less than 0.1 percent of the 72,382-acre area of influence.

Correction of these errors does not change our determinations for Virginia big-eared bat for Alternatives B and C. For both alternatives those determinations remain “may affect, not likely to adversely affect; no effect on designated critical habitat.” All other information and determinations contained in the BA remain the same.