

# Conservation Congress 2014

## The Results

### **Let's Get Outdoors:**

#### **Providing Opportunities for All Constituents to Recreate at State Sites**

##### *Recommendations:*

1. Improvements in providing outdoor recreation opportunities lies much with the need of hiring more experienced staff and improving communication with constituents and internal staff about events, hunting seasons and uses at IDNR sites.
2. Volunteers should be mobilized more at our sites: veterans groups, friends groups, communities, etc. There is willingness to help care for, promote, and use our sites, but the lack of good communication prevents users from being tapped into.
3. Interact with the users more through our services and less through regulations. IDNR provides a great many services but we don't share our message well or often enough. IDNR should be more proactive in our message to the public.