



## 6.10 Ecosystem Impacts

The following measures will be utilized to address impacts on ecosystems:

- DO NOT SPRAY OR MOW – Where woody vegetation, wetlands, wildflowers or environmentally sensitive areas occur, “DO NOT SPRAY OR MOW” signs will be posted.
- Forest Fragmentation – All efforts have and will continue to be made to avoid or minimize forest fragmentation.
- Invasive Plant Species – INDOT will use appropriate herbicides and / or physical mechanisms to control invasive plants, such a purple loosestrife, reed canary grass, kudzu, and others, in mitigation sites and within the proposed US 31 right-of-way.
- Conservation Measures for Wildlife – Transportation designers will design, where feasible and practicable, conservation measures for the maintenance of wildlife movements and landscape connectivity.