

**April 19th, 1997; Indianapolis:**

A truck belonging to Archer's Meats was set afire.

**February 28th, 1998; Indianapolis:**

A window was broken at The Outdoorsman Sport Shop and the building was lit on fire. Slogans were also painted at the store.

**January 23rd, 2000; Bloomington:**

Arson destroys a partially-built luxury home in a complex, owned by one of the developers. "No sprawl ELF" was found spray-painted in black on a sign near the house." The ELF issued a communiqué saying it torched the home because it was in the Lake Monroe Watershed, which provides drinking water to the city of Bloomington and was already jeopardized by the surrounding developers. Damages: \$200,000.

**April 30th, 2000; Bloomington:**

At least six pieces of logging and heavy construction equipment were sabotaged and a trailer full of wood chips was set ablaze at a road construction site just outside the city. A communiqué from the ELF explains its plan was to punish those developing wooded areas around Bloomington, which "have turned what was once forested land into parking lots, luxury houses for rich scum and expanded roads." Damages: \$75,000.

**July 2nd, 2000; North Vernon:**

A Rose Acre Farm chicken feed truck was torched, and "polluter, animal exploiter, your turn to pay," was spraypainted at the scene. Damages: \$100,000.

**September 9th, 2000; Bloomington:**

Fire erupts at the headquarters of the Monroe County Republican Party Committee headquarters. A flammable liquid was poured on the building and ignited. The fire was a reminder, according to the ELF communiqué, that people would not sit quietly as politicians pushed for plans to extend I-69, an ecologically destructive highway.

**October 18th, 2000; Shoals:**

Four pieces of heavy logging equipment in the Martin State Forest had their hoses cut, seats slashed, gauges destroyed and sand poured in the engines, fuel tanks and radiators. Damages: \$55,000.

**May 3rd, 2002; Bloomington:**

A Sims Poultry truck was burned.

**October 24th, 2003; Martinsville:**

A Wal-Mart construction site was sabotaged. Survey stakes were removed, and walls and machinery spray-painted. Over a dozen pieces of heavy machinery and vehicles were vandalized, with slashed tires, cut fuel hoses, and sand poured in their fuel tanks.

From the communiqué:

*We know that life does not have to be one monotonous routine played out over and over again. We know that the places we live can offer us much more than Wal-Mart's and McDonalds and Chevrons. We know, because at times we have experienced a break with this reality, and know that other possibilities exist. And how can things change really? For us, sabotage may not be a means to change any world but our own, as an expression of our feelings toward this society. We strike for ourselves, out of our own frustrations, and rage and despair...as a means of therapy and adventure. Because to not act, or to resign oneself to such an impoverished life of working and consuming is not good enough for us. We are not content and we intend to express this. This society offers us shit. How can we repay them?*



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