

EXAMPLE ONLY

IDNR CONSERVATION STEWARDSHIP PLAN
(APPLICATION ITEMS 1-5)

PREPARED FOR:

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NE, SW of Sec. 3, T10S – R3E
Principal Meridian 3

Sangamon County, Illinois

MANAGEMENT PLAN DATE: December 7, 2010

APPLICATION FIELD #7

21.42 Total Property Acres

12 Property Acres used for forest (IFDA Program)

2.42 Acres used for structures, yard, or other CSP plan-
ineligible purpose

Acreage of Unimproved Land to be enrolled in program = 7 Acres

APPLICATION FIELD #8

Forest: 2.5 Acres

Grassland: 4.5 Acres

APPLICATION FIELD #9

The recent history of the land includes the following:

Forest - Natural Development / Recreation / Hunting / Aesthetics

Grassland - Periodically mowed

(No known resource management during the past ten years)

APPLICATION FIELD #10

Site plants include the following: White Oak, Red Oak, Black Oak, Shingle Oak, Hackberry, Cherry, Walnut, American Elm, Red Elm, Shagbark Hickory, Bitternut Hickory, Pignut Hickory, Sassafras, Mulberry, Sycamore, Cottonwood, Green Ash, White Ash, Boxelder, Honey Locust, Osage Orange, Dogwood, Persimmon, Silver Maple, English Ivy, Japanese Honeysuckle, Grape Vines, Other Miscellaneous Vines, Multi-flora Rose, Bush Honeysuckle, Blackberry, Raspberry, Gooseberry, Autumn Olive, and Miscellaneous Herbaceous Plants

Site animals include the following: Deer, turkey, raccoon, fox, coyote, rabbit, squirrel, opossum, various hawks, various owls, various songbirds, miscellaneous woodpeckers, miscellaneous amphibians, miscellaneous reptiles, and sporadic waterfowl presence

APPLICATION FIELD #11

Adjacent land use includes the following:

North - Tillable and wooded acreage

South - Intermittent wooded and open acreage

East - Intermittent wooded and open acreage

West - Wooded acreage

APPLICATION FIELD #12

Management objectives include the following:

1. To manage the site in order to maintain and improve wildlife habitat

APPLICATION FIELD #13

Conservation and management practices include the following:

1. Grassland - Natural prairie development
2. Forest - Undesirable / dangerous tree removal
3. Forest and Grassland - Invasive plant species control
(Specifically, Multi-flora Rose, Invasive vines, Autumn Olive, and Bush Honeysuckle)
4. Forest - Woody and herbaceous vine control

APPLICATION FIELD #14

Year 1 Schedule for Implementation includes the following:

Grassland - Natural Development; Inspection / control of invasive plants to be conducted by Landowner during the spring and summer months

Forest

1. During the course of the year, the Landowner will remove dangerous and / or undesirable trees that are found out-competing or hindering desirable wildlife tree species (Desirables in the stand exist in any White Oak, Red Oak, Black Oak, Hickory, or Walnut species - Undesirables exist in the forms of Elm, Sassafras, Mulberry, Osage Orange, Boxelder, and Honey Locust (Hackberry, Sycamore, and Cottonwood will also be considered undesirable species and selected for removal when they are found out-competing desirable, upland species on this upland site))
2. During the course of the year, the Landowner will sever woody / herbaceous vines that are found hindering the growth of desirable wildlife trees
3. During the course of the year, the Landowner will remove invasive vines, Multi-flora Rose, Autumn Olive, and Bush Honeysuckle from the woodland when the plants are encountered

Year 2 Schedule for Implementation includes the following:

Grassland - Natural Development; Inspection / control of invasive plants to be conducted by Landowner during the spring and summer months

Forest

1. During the course of the year, the Landowner will remove dangerous and / or undesirable trees that are found out-competing or hindering desirable wildlife species
2. During the course of the year, the Landowner will sever woody / herbaceous vines that are found hindering the growth of desirable wildlife trees
3. During the course of the year, the Landowner will remove invasive vines, Multi-flora Rose, Autumn Olive, and Bush Honeysuckle from the woodland when the plants are encountered

Year 3 Schedule for Implementation includes the following:

Grassland - Natural Development; Inspection / control of invasive plants to be conducted by Landowner during the spring and summer months

Forest - The Landowner will periodically inspect the woodland for the presence of dangerous or undesirable trees, woody / herbaceous vines, and invasive Bush Honeysuckle and Multi-flora Rose plants; the Landowner will remove any such discovered plants at the time of discovery

Year 4 Schedule for Implementation includes the following:

Grassland - With the assistance of study guides or NRCS input, the Landowner will inventory and identify existent plant species in the prairie areas during the spring and summer months; Inspection / control of invasive plants is to be continued by the Landowner during the spring and summer months

Forest - The Landowner will periodically inspect the woodland for the presence of dangerous or undesirable trees, woody / herbaceous vines, and invasive Bush Honeysuckle and Multi-flora Rose plants; the Landowner will remove any such discovered plants at the time of discovery

Year 5 Schedule for Implementation includes the following:

Grassland - The Landowner will establish and plant more desirable prairie species if deemed necessary (By the lack of existent desirable species or at the recommendation of the NRCS representative) in the spring of the year; Inspection / control of invasive plants is to be continued by the Landowner during the spring and summer months

Forest - The Landowner will periodically inspect the woodland for the presence of dangerous or undesirable trees, woody / herbaceous vines, and invasive Bush Honeysuckle and Multi-flora Rose plants; the Landowner will remove any such discovered plants at the time of discovery

APPLICATION FIELD #15

Exotic species known to be on the property include Bush Honeysuckle, Autumn Olive, Japanese Honeysuckle, English Ivy, and Multi-flora Rose

Bush Honeysuckle and other invasive plant species located near trails or field edges will be treated by the Landowner using a directed foliar spray from the woodland trails or fields (By any convenient method: Backpack sprayer, handheld sprayer, and / or 4-wheeler-mounted sprayer - Foliage treatment will consist of a Roundup mix and surfactant (Or other herbicide combination

recommended by a professional chemical dealer), and will only be applied when green leaves are present on the plant - preferably in late fall or early spring when the foliage of native vegetation is in winter dormancy). Woodland interior infestations will either be foliar treated using a backpack or handheld sprayer; or be severed by chainsaw - The cut stumps then immediately treated with Pathway (Tordon RTU) or an undiluted Roundup concentration (Or other herbicide combination recommended by a professional chemical dealer). The cut-stump practice may be conducted at any time of the year. Honeysuckle plants, three feet in height and smaller, can be pulled from the ground by the Landowner as an additional means of control

Large clumps of Multi-flora Rose will be controlled by a stem or foliage application of a Crossbow-based herbicide (By any convenient method: Backpack sprayer, handheld sprayer, and / or 4-wheeler-mounted sprayer). Multi-flora Rose Control will be conducted by the Landowner in the spring of the year

APPLICATION FIELD #16

Uses by Landowner include the following:

Hunting, firewood harvest, mushroom collection, berry picking, and aesthetic recreational purposes

APPLICATION FIELD #17

By signing this application I testify that the above statements are true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

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