

Bid Notice- Forestry Services

The Clayton County Conservation Board is accepting bids for contracted forestry services including: Timber stand improvement (TSl), Machine Planting, Hand Planting, pre-emerge spraying. Contractors must be insured and provide proof of same. Contractors must show proof of pesticide applicator license (if bidding corresponding work). Work shall proceed on the timeline outlined withing the forestry stewardship plan that accompanies each property.

Bid date: April 11, 2026 (5:00pm)

Bid Opening: April 14, 2026 (8:30am)

Bid Opening Location: 29862 Osborne Road,

Elkader, Iowa 52043

Phone: 563-245-1516

Email: CCCCB@claytoncountyia.gov

Interested parties may bid all or some of the work depending on their specialty.

Work must be completed to the satisfaction of the Conservation Board to be paid.

The Clayton County Conservation Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Contractor Name: _____

Contractor Phone: _____

Contractor Address: _____

Contractor Email: _____

Call Dave Asche, District Forester, with plan questions: 563-880-0507

See Plan and Map attached for each project.

Project Name: Osborne Pines TSl (14 Acres) **Bid Amount:** _____

Completion Date By: _____

Contractor Signature: _____ **DATE:** _____

This bid accepted and approved the _____ day of the _____ month, 2026.

Chairman Signature: _____

(Office Use Only) Date Completed: _____

Forest Management Plan

Clayton County Conservation
29862 Osborne Rd.
Elkader, IA 52043

Osborne Pines
South of New Campground

Phone# 563-245-1516

Date: 2025

Plan prepared by:
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Location of the woodlands: Section 16, Cox Creek twp. Clayton county

Acres of woodlands in plan: 14

Owner's long range goals: Tree health, quality, species diversity and wildlife habitat

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL STANDS

Stand A: (14 acres)

Soils: Mottland – ie sandy stuff

Current Vegetation: The overstory is 10 to 18 inch white pine, red pine, spruce, bur oak, red oak, white oak, walnut, basswood, sugar maple, cherry, hackberry, shagbark hickory and ash. The understory is 2 to 8 inch bur oak, red oak, white oak, hackberry, basswood, boxelder, sugar maple, ironwood, bitternut hickory, elm, ash, walnut, cherry and honeysuckle.

Recommendations:

1. On all acres, the hackberry, white elm, bitternut hickory, ironwood, boxelder and honeysuckle down to 1 inch at the ground should be felled and treated with a herbicide with the active ingredient of Triclopyr such as Garlon or Remedy ultra to prevent sprouting.
2. Then the acres with conifers should be thinned down to 150 BA by felling maple, basswood and poor formed conifers. No herbicide should be used on a conifer or maple. Try to favor white pine and spruce when possible. Keep wind throw in mind.
3. Aspen and poor formed desirable species should be cut off as close to the ground as possible and not treated.
4. Any viable oak should be released from direct competition of any other trees to help them remain a healthy part of the stand.
5. Vines should be cut and treated if they are in an oak, walnut or conifer.

6. This work should be done between October and March for the herbicide to work properly. It is against the law to use any herbicide in a manner inconsistent with its labeling, insure the label is understood before use.

Desired Results: Removing the undesirable stems will promote the current regeneration as well as promote new seedlings in areas that had lower numbers present. The oak release work will help to provide space for the limited oak in a developing maple/basswood stand. The conifer thinning should help put some vigor into the remaining trees.

Timber Stand Improvement Contractors Working in Northeast Iowa

<i>Name</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip</i>	<i>Phone #</i>
Brown Forestry & Sawmill	1814 337th St.	Decorah	IA	52101	(563) 380-1199
Lane McGreal	20914 Elm	Strawberry Point	IA	52076	(563) 329-1040

