ORDER OF SAINT BENEDICT $\square$ DEER FENCING FOR OAK REGENERATION
PROJECT PLAN 20 June 2014

| Stand Name | Compartment and Stand Number |  |  |  | Acres / Acres Treated |
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| Clay Piles Shelterwood | 218 |  |  |  | 4.0 ac. / 4.0 fenced |
| Legal Description | Sec | Twp | Rge |  |  |
| SE $1 / 4$ of NW $1 / 4$ | 6 | 124 | 29 |  |  |
| Proposed Activity Time |  |  | Actual Dates Completed |  |  |
| Summer 2014 |  |  |  |  |  |
| CURRENT CONDITIONS |  |  |  |  |  |
| This stand is an oak sh previous years. All we | $\begin{aligned} & \text { k se } \\ & \text { aple } \end{aligned}$ | lings $p$ edling | acre. ecomi |  | planted in two |

Deer populations are 20+ /sq. mile. Deer browsing damage to oak regen is very high. A test deer exclosure has excellent oak regeneration, so fencing will prove useful.

There is 1,800 feet of perimeter for this unit needing fencing. There are 14 corners, including 1 gate, in this unit.

PROJECT ACTIONS
8 FOOT WOVEN WIRE Construct a fence that will keep white-tailed deer out of the unit 99+\% of the time. Provide 16' gates for management access. The fence must last at least 10 years and preferably 20.

Use 8 foot woven wire (12 gauge-fixed knot). Put one smooth wire on top of the posts to help prevent damage from falling debris. Use CCA treated posts placed 20 feet apart with at least 3 feet in the ground. Staple wire to posts. Installation will be completed by a 8 person AmeriCorps crew with guidance from Henry Becker and Br . Walter Keiffer.

Materials (and freight to field site)
12 gauge stay tite fence 330' 8' height fixed knot $\$ 345.00 /$ roll $\times 6$ rolls (1980 feet) $=\$ 2,070$ ( short ends on hand)
12 gauge solid lock fence 330' 4' height fixed knot $\$ 210.00 /$ roll $\times 0$ rolls ( 0 feet) $=\$ 0$
7 foot Netting $\$$ /foot $x$ feet $=\$ 0$
12 foot Netting
\$ /foot $x$ feet $=\$ 0$
$6 " x 12$ ' treated wood posts for corners
$5 " x 12$ ' treated wood posts for corner braces
\$20.00/post x $40=\$ 800$
4"x12' treated wood posts for line
$\$ 15.75 /$ post $\times 55=\$ 866$ ( 0 on hand)
$4 \times 12$ treated wood posts for line
$\$ 12.75 /$ post $\times 47 \quad=\$ 599$ ( 0 on hand)
4"x7' treated wood posts for line
\$ 5.25/post x 0
= \$ 0
$50 \mathrm{lb} .2 "$ barbed staples for 3300 feet
\$75.00 (1 pail) $=\$ 75$
10" brace pins for corners
\$ $1.00 \times 30=\$ 30$
5 " brace pins for corners
$\$ 0.85 \times 30=\$ 26$
wire strainers for corners $\$ 3.50 \times 30=\$ 105$
4000 coil HT smooth wire 170k 12.5 ga.
\$ 92.00 (x1 roll)
$=\$ 92$ (0 roll on hand)
splice sleeves/100 per bottle $\$ 20$ (2 bottles) $=\$ 40$ ( 0 on hand)

TOTAL MATERIALS = \$ 5,053 (includes $\$ 350$ shipping)

## REMARKS

Corners cost an extra $\$ 75$ each in materials. Avoid corners as possible.

Price per thousand feet for materials $=\$ 2,800$. Price/acre for materials $=\$ 1,260 / a c$. Very high!
Removal cost in 10-15 years will be quite high!

## FOREST MANAGEMENT PLANS:

Unit 218 is being managed for long-term growth of oak.
This is a very good oak site. It is small for a fence, but has very high potential. It is also an area of high visibility.

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Example of 8 foot woven wire fence installed at Saint John's Abbey Arboretum.
(With smooth wire on top, total height is 9 feet.)

