

Woodland Stewardship Management Plan

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Parcel(s): K010010044500, K010010068002, K010010068003
Location: _____

Woodland Stewardship Acreage: 144.3 Non-woodland Stewardship Acreage*: 21.5
Total Property Acres 171.573 * Non-woodland acres for which stewardship recommendations are made. **Stands 11 & 16**

This plan was written to qualify the landowner's woodland for the programs checked below:

- Ohio Forest Tax Law American Tree Farm Program
 Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

Property coordinates (report in WGS 84, decimal degrees.)

Longitude: -81.93192 Latitude: 39.30454

Landowner Objectives

1. To maintain Ohio Forest Tax Law (OFTL) certification.
2. To enhance the quality, diversity and abundance of food and cover for wildlife, especially white-tailed deer.
3. To improve and maintain a healthy, productive woodland than can provide sustainable harvests of lumber and other wood products.
4. Eligibility for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) or other federal incentive programs.

General Woodland Description

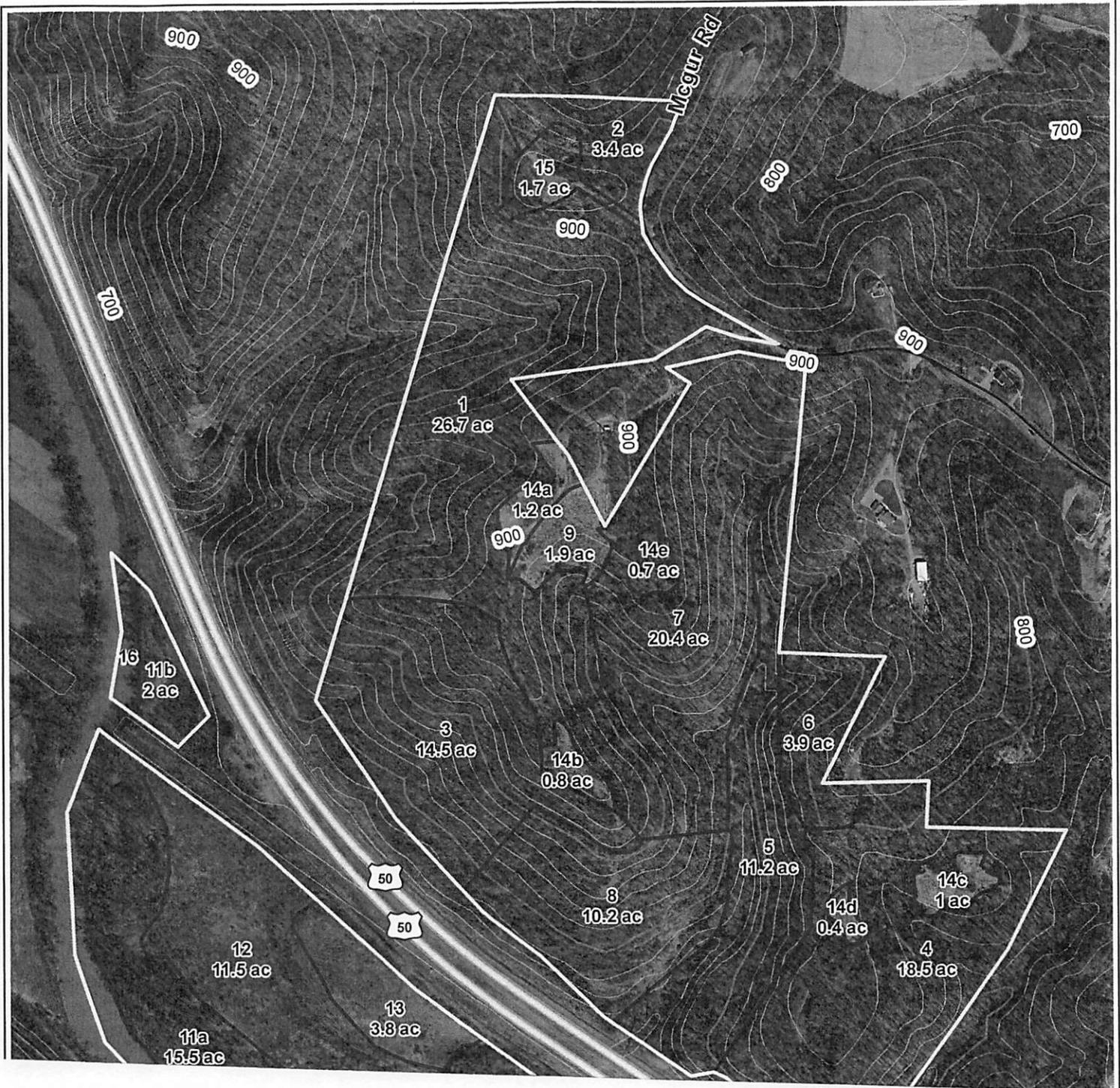
The Christman and Mearova property is located on McGur Road in Rome Township, Athens County. The bulk of the property was purchased and surveyed in 2017. Matt and Kat built a house on the land in 2019. In 2020, parcels K010010068002 and K01001068003 were purchased.

US 50 divides the property, and access to any part of the land is ample. Most of the acreage lies across the rolling topography north of US 50. Here, there is a small inholding with access to McGur road to accommodate a Verizon tower and its anchor lines. South of US 50 the property is situated in a relatively flat bottomland, adjacent to the Hocking River.

Wooded pasture and fields were the prominent land uses at the time of a 1950 aerial photograph. Forested areas amounting to 32 acres were limited to the steep and narrow ravine described as Stand 5, and a portion of Stand 1. Those forested areas were harvested through a 12-inch diameter-limit harvest between 1955 and 1960. By 1966, most of the property was forested except for Stands 4 and 8, and part of the bottomlands. Timber has not been cut for the past several decades, but it does appear the last cutting was a heavy one, as the quality and quantity of white oak is minimal.

Over the last three years, a profound amount of management has been completed across the property. This work is detailed on the included EQIP maps, which will have the final practices completed in Spring 2021. Additional management completed includes maintenance of boundary marks (yellow), culvert and trail repair/installation/maintenance and associated grading/seeding/mulching, and installation/maintenance of food plots.

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Management Activity Schedule

Year(s) Suggested	Mgmt. Unit	Required Task?	Acres	Recommendations
2021	9 & 13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.8 & 3.0	Plant recommended species at recommended spacing. Evaluate plantings in mid-summer to determine need for weed control with service forester.
2022 - 2023	9 & 13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	0.8 & 3.0	Replace seedlings each spring as needed to maintain stocking levels recommended in the corresponding stand descriptions.
2021 - 2022	4	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	13.7	Retreat any previously missed stems or newly sprouted stems of autumn-olive, privet, ailanthus, and barberry in 2021 and 2022.
2021 - 2022	11a	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	10.3	Retreat Japanese knotweed in 2021 & 2022 growing seasons every time it reaches a height of 3-4 feet. Try to time it so that the last treatment of the season occurs at the end of August.
2023	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	3.4	Cull tree removal.
2023	6	<input type="checkbox"/>	3.9	Midstory removal of beech and maple with the advice and assistance of the service forester.
2024 - 2026	7	<input type="checkbox"/>	20.4	Cut grapevines where they are growing in crop trees throughout the entire stand. Deaden all stems of autumn-olive, privet, ailanthus, and barberry with herbicide – three rounds of treatment in three successive years.
2027	7	<input type="checkbox"/>	20.4	Crop tree release/cull tree removal with the advice and assistance of the service forester.
2028 - 2030	8	<input type="checkbox"/>	10.2	Deaden all stems of autumn-olive with herbicide – three rounds of treatment in three successive years.
2030	8	<input type="checkbox"/>	10.2	Enhancement planting of native trees and shrubs.
2021 - 2031	Entire Property	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	171.6	Re-mark all property boundaries with an oil-based paint <i>whenever the current marks begin to fade</i> . Mark trees along lines so that someone can easily see from one mark to the next.
2026 & 2031	Whole Property	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Next Site Visit – Woodland reviews are recommended at least once every five years, and plan updates once every ten years, based upon the date of the last woodland evaluation conducted by your forester	