

# Wooden Dollars

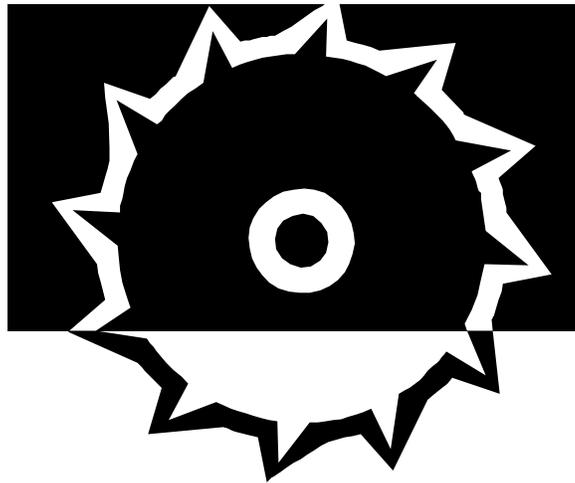
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### **Illinois Timber Price Report: A cooperative effort between Foresters and Timber Buyers!**

Since the 1970s the IDNR, then the Department of Conservation, has cooperated with the USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to jointly survey mills and buyers and publish the *Illinois Timber Price Report*. The reports from the past through current are housed with the University of Illinois Forestry Extension website-



**Buy, Sell and Saw Illinois Wood!**

statistically sound. Each survey of prices to the nearly 400 licensed buyers and all consulting and state foresters yields results from a fairly low percentage of those reporting. We cannot thank those that do report enough ... for without them there would be no timber price report at all!

and with USDA Forest Service. We, the Division of Forest Resources, continue to publish the report twice annually for winter and

summer periods. In 2013 NASS re-structured its services nationwide and essentially ended the long standing cooperative relationship and helped IDNR Forestry do this on its own. Though the report is now simplified to statewide figures only it was done so to remain

Last week the Winter 2015 & 2016 Illinois Timber Price Report was published from survey responses and timber reports for November 2015 to February 2016. A survey for this Summer 2016 for prices paid from May 2016 to August 2016 is being sent next week which will yield the Summer 2016 T. Price Report to be published later this Fall. This latest report (Wint15/16) is attached to this issue of *Wooden Dollars Monthly*. It will be posted on the IDNR and forestry extension websites. See the report for details. Prices are steady to good but down a bit from the two previous reporting periods.

### **Marked Timber ...**

The Division of Forest Resources will published timber sale bid notices of landowner's marked tim-

ber for sale if submitted by foresters. *Wooden Dollars Monthly* accepts and posts timber and wood products for sale too. You may submit any month for the next months issue. Contact Paul at IDNR Forestry.



*“One fine autumn day  
Winnie the Pooh sat  
on a log in front of  
his house in the 100  
Acre Wood.”  
— Alan Alexander Milne*

## Wooden Dollars Monthly

is published on the first of each month by Illinois Division of Forest Resources to provide woodland owners market outlets for forest products, to protect and sustain the woodland resources of Illinois, and help supply industry with information and raw materials—all for the benefit of society. This document is a PDF available electronically and posted on the IDNR Forest Resources website.

## Policy Statements:

Illinois forests and woodlands are critical to the citizens of Illinois and globally far beyond the singular value of wood and fiber production. The Division of Forest Resources integrates and requires on state land and cooperating private lands that important other concerns of soil, water, wildlife, habitats, recreation, aesthetics and cultural resources are addressed while growing, harvesting and regenerating forests. We advocate and outreach forest management principles to all Illinois forest owners.

Demands on Illinois forest resource for all goods and services the forest can provide continue to increase while nearly 90% of Illinois forests remain privately owned. To conserve, enhance and expand the benefits and critical function of Illinois forests it is necessary that forest landowners, government agencies, forest industry and citizens at large work together.

Equal opportunity to participate in programs of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources and those funded by the U.S. D.A. and other agencies is available to every individual regardless of race, sex, national origin, disability, age, religion, or other non-merit factors. If you believe you have been discriminated against contact civil rights office and/or the Equal Opportunity Officer, IDNR, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield, IL 62702-1271; 217-785-0067; TTY 217-782-9175.

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# Marked Timber For Sale

This newsletter is posted on the IDNR Forest Resources website monthly. A submission form is shown below and is required in this format. Deadline for each monthly issue is the third Thursday of the month prior. All submissions of marked timber for sale by consulting foresters, procurement foresters or others must be submitted by the second Thursday. Submissions by consulting foresters working with IFDA cooperators must adhere to the timber recommendations approved in the landowner's written management plan. Foresters working with landowners at-large must adhere to recommended silviculture for Illinois forest types. Submissions may be sent US Mail to "ORC-Forestry" at our Springfield office or by email to paul.deizman@illinois.gov.

The following timber has been marked for cutting by a forester of the Illinois Division of Forest Resources or was marked by a consulting forester and reviewed by the Illinois Division of Forest Resources. Volumes have been estimated using the Doyle Rule unless otherwise indicated. Deductions have been made for defects. No volume is tallied for culls. Any interested buyers should contact the landowner or their representative directly. The Illinois Division of Forest Resources does not establish the selling price of timber. Buyers must show proof they are currently licensed or an agent of a licensee under the Illinois Timber Buyers Licensing Act.

LOCATION	OWNER INFO.	SPECIES	# TREES	BD.FT. DOYLE
County:	Name:			
Twshp:	Addrss:			
Section:	Addrss:			
Acres:	Phone:			

Miscl Upland		
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Miscl Upland includes:

**Bid/Offer Details (if any):**

LOCATION	OWNER INFO.	SPECIES	# TREES	BD.FT. DOYLE
<b>County:</b> Coles	<b>Name:</b> Morrison Farm Trust c/o Bruce Huber	ash	265	59600
		silver maple	90	24900
<b>Twncshp:</b> N Pt. North Okaw	<b>Addrss:</b> 225 North Water	hackberry	50	10600
<b>Section:</b> 24	<b>Addrss:</b> Decatur, IL 62523	black walnut	43	8400
<b>Acres:</b> 47	<b>Phone:</b> 217-872-6291	hickory	28	5450
		black oak	14	5500
		honey locust	13	3600
		pecan	12	2200
		red oak	5	2800
		elm	5	800
		pin oak	3	1850
		basswood	3	600
		Misc	4	1200
		<b>TOTAL:</b>		<b>535</b>

Misc includes: 2 shingle oak, 1 willow and 1 kentucky coffee tree

**Bid/Offer Details (if any):**

*\*535 Trees are marked with blue paint on the bole and at the base.*

*\*Doyle Rule was used as a basis for volume estimate: Allowances were made for cull and defect.*

*\*In addition there were **21 cull trees** marked with an **X**, of which no volume was tallied for these trees.*

**\*\*Buyers interested in bidding on this timber must contact Bruce Huber by phone (217-872-6291) in advance to gain access to the property.**

*\*Buyers must satisfy themselves as to the quality and quantity of the timber offered.*

*\*\*The right to reject any or all offers is retained by the sellers.*

**Send Sealed Bids to First Illinois Ag Group, c/o Bruce Huber, 225 North Water, Decatur, IL 62523,**

**Attn: Morrison Farm Trust Bid; to be received  
by 2:00 p.m. on September 22, 2016.**

## Forest Products Buy & Sell

Approved postings of lumber, wood products or other items, equipment or services related to the forest products industry, wood use and wood utilization—for sale or wanted—can be advertised within this newsletter which is posted on the IDNR Forest Resources website monthly. Submit your accurate, concise advertising request with contact information to Paul Deizman at the Division of Forest Resources by email [paul.deizman@illinois.gov](mailto:paul.deizman@illinois.gov) or other means. Deadline for each monthly issue is the third Thursday of the month prior. All submissions will be reviewed for approval. We reserve the right to condense or omit certain items or requests.

### Wanted & For Sale:

Contact advertisers below to buy and/or sell the following forest products or related items, equipment and/or services . . .

#### WANTED

##### Hardwood LOGS; most species:

Superior Hardwoods  
Montezuma, Indiana, USA  
Larry Case 812-552-6516  
[larry.case@sbcglobal.net](mailto:larry.case@sbcglobal.net)

#### WANTED

##### Used WOOD-MIZER Sawmill:

Seek affordable basic or older model; can need maintenance/work if sound & straight!

Mike Schmeling  
301 Sheldon Street  
Dowagiac, MI 49047  
(269) 277-6622

**Foresters and  
Loggers Needed! ...  
for stewardship  
and profitability in  
your woodland .**

### ***Illinois Timber Buyer Licensing:***

The Illinois Timber Buyer Licensing Act (225 ILCS 735) requires anyone purchasing timber must be licensed and follow the rules of the act designed to protect forest landowner's. Nearly 400 Illinois Timber Buyers are now licensed in 2016. All are required to report all purchases of standing timber or logs from landowners to the Division of Forest Resources quarterly and assure the landowner's 4% harvest fee is submitted for each transaction.

## **The Illinois Timber Buyer Licensing Act defines the following:**

"Timber" means ... trees, standing or felled, and parts thereof which can be used for sawing or processing into lumber for building or structural purposes or for the manufacture of any article.

"Timber buyer" means ... any person licensed or unlicensed, who is engaged in the business of buying timber from the timber growers thereof for sawing into lumber, for processing or for resale, but does not include any person who occasionally purchases timber for sawing or processing for his own use and not for resale.

"Buying timber" means ... to buy, barter, cut on shares, or offer to buy, barter, cut on shares, or take possession of timber, with or without the consent of the timber grower.

"Timber grower" means ... the owner, tenant or operator of land in this State who has an interest in, or is entitled to receive any part of the proceeds from the sale of timber grown in this State and includes persons exercising authority to sell timber.

## FIREWOOD - A Hot Forest Resource



About 2.5 million homes across the U.S. use wood as their primary home heating fuel, a 2.1 percent increase since 2005. About 9 million homes use wood as a secondary heating fuel. Most of the wood used for heating is burned in wood stoves and fireplaces that are commonly used as a secondary heating source yet there is no data on the specific sources of the wood that is burned. Though tens of thousands of cubic feet of wood from trees are specifically removed and used in Illinois each year in cities and farms to heat homes and buildings; there is little specific data within Illinois firewood and home heating statistics either.

Historically Illinois firewood comes from our forests here at home or from the states directly adjacent. Missouri, Iowa, and Wisconsin, for instance, truck a lot of wood to the wholesale and retail firewood markets in and surrounding the Chicago area as well as St Louis and other larger Illinois towns. The Illinois Department of Agriculture, under its pest and plant act, does require an annual firewood importer permit for businesses and producers in an attempt to thwart new invasive insects and diseases firewood can bring.

Since the primary forest product from our forests across Illinois is high quality hardwood sawlogs and veneer logs there is a nearly endless supply of fuelwood from tree crowns usually left in place in the forest. One 24 inch diameter hardwood tree about 50 foot in height yields, in its trunk logs and large branches; 1 standard cord of firewood.

Here are the best firewood species in Illinois and the Midwest. These high rated firewood species all have low spark, low smoke, great heat, and ease of production and use as shown in the next column.

Species	Heat	Burns Easy	Splits Easy
W. ash	High	Yes	Yes
R. oaks	High	Yes	Y/No
W.oaks	High	Yes	Y/No
Beech	High	Yes	Yes
Y.Birch	High	Yes	Yes
B.Birch	High	Yes	Yes
Hickory	High	Yes	No
Sug Mple	High	Yes	No
Pecan	High	Yes	Yes
Dgwood	High	Yes	Yes
B.locust	High	Yes	No
Hedge	High	Yes	No

Forest owners should consider harvesting ash before it is infested with EAB or when they first see damage. Contact a forester to determine the harvest suitability and management options for your woodland. If the log market opportunities are missed keep in mind not only is ash one of the best firewood species available—it burns green without the seasoning that oak, hickory and most other species require.

### *The Firewood Poem*

Beech-wood fires are bright and clear  
 If the logs are kept a year,  
 Chestnut's only good they say,  
 If for logs 'tis laid away.  
 Make a fire of Elder tree,  
 Death within your house will be;  
 But ash new or ash old,  
 Is fit for a queen with crown of gold.

Birch and fir logs burn too fast  
 Blaze up bright and do not last,  
 it is by the Irish said  
 Hawthorn bakes the sweetest bread.  
 Elm wood burns like churchyard mould,  
 E'en the very flames are cold  
 But ash green or ash brown  
 Is fit for a queen with golden crown.

Poplar gives a bitter smoke,  
 Fills your eyes and makes you choke,  
 Apple wood will scent your room  
 Pear wood smells like flowers in bloom  
 Oaken logs, if dry and old  
 keep away the winter's cold  
 But ash wet or ash dry  
 a king shall warm his slippers by."

*by Celia Congreve*

