



YAMHILL COUNTY ASSESSMENT & TAX

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Designated Forestland Requirements

Who Determines Designated Forestland Requirements?

The Oregon Revised Statutes and Oregon Administrative Rules provide the requirements for land to be specially assessed as designated forestland.

ORS 321.358 and OAR 150-321-0340 specifically deal with the requirements for DFL. These requirements fall generally into three categories: acreage, species, and stocking.

Minimum Area for Designation

The area to be designated as forestland must be at least two contiguous acres under common ownership.

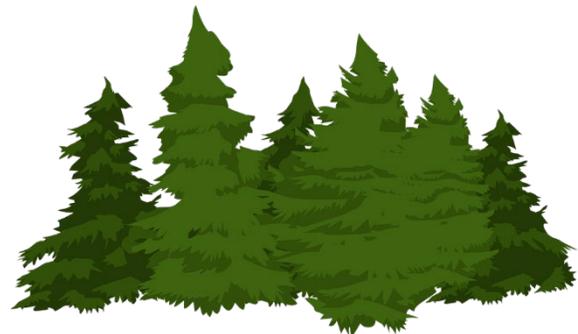
Species Type

The trees growing on land designated as forestland must be of a marketable species. A marketable species meets the following criteria (OAR 629-610-0050):

- Is ecologically suited to the planting site
- Is capable of producing wood products suitable in size and qualify for production of lumber, sheeting, pulp, or other hardwood products
- Must be marketable in the foreseeable future

Species that are Particularly Ecologically Suited to Yamhill County

- Douglas Fir
- Grand Fir
- Willamette Valley Ponderosa Pine
- Western Red Cedar
- Western Hemlock
- Noble Fir



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Acceptable Hardwood Species

Approximately 20% of your total forestland may comprise of hardwoods unless otherwise approved by a forester.

- Big Leaf Maple (trees or managed clumps)
- Red Alder (trees or managed clumps)
- Black Cottonwood
- Oregon Ash
- Oregon White Oak
- Pacific Dogwood
- Pacific Madrone

Stocking Requirements

Minimum stocking requirements are governed by the Forest Practices Act (OAR 629-610-0000 through 629-610-0090) and ORS 527.710.

Please note that only a few specific sites would qualify for the “FX” site class. Examples of these include large rock outcrops and swampy areas within forestland areas.

Site Productivity	Seedings (less than 1” DBH ²)	Sapling & Pole (1”-10” DBH)	Trees 11”-15” DBH	Trees 16”-25” DBH	Trees 26” + DBH
Cubic Foot Site Class I, II, & III. Forest Class FA, FB, FC, & FD	200 per acre 15’ spacing	120 per acre 19’ spacing	90 per acre 21’ spacing	50 per acre 30’ spacing	15 per acre 50’ spacing
Cubic Foot Site Class IV & V Forest Class FE, FF, & FG	125 per acre 19’ spacing	75 per acre 24’ spacing	67 per acre 24’ spacing	37 per acre 33’ spacing	11 per acre 60’ spacing
Cubic Foot Site Class VI Forest Class FX	100 per acre 21’ spacing	60 per acre 27’ spacing	45 per acre 30’ spacing	25 per acre 40’ spacing	7 per acre 79’ spacing

Additional Resources

- Robin Rose and Diane Haase. Guide to Reforestation in Oregon. College of Forestry, Oregon State University, Corvallis.
<http://www.oregon.gov/ODF/Documents/WorkingForests/ReforestationGuide.pdf>
- Oregon State University’s Forestry Extension Program:
<http://www.forestry.oregonstate.edu/forestry-and-natural-resources>
- Oregon Department of Forestry’s resources for private landowners of forests:
<http://www.oregon.gov/ODF/Working/Pages/HelpingLandowners.aspx>
- The Partnership for Forestry Education’s website for forest landowners in Oregon:
<https://knowyourforest.org/>