

Boundary Line Maintenance

Boundary line maintenance is an important, yet often overlooked aspect of woodlot ownership. Over time, old blazes fade, barbed wire fencing that might have indicated a line disappears into the leaf litter, and corner pins are concealed by undergrowth. Without maintenance, the property lines displayed clearly on your survey map can be difficult to find when it comes time for a timber harvest. Timber trespasses from adjacent properties can go unnoticed.

Proper maintenance involves locating corner indicators and lines, blazing and painting trees along lines, and clearing brush so that the blazes are clearly visible.

Know where your property lies on the ground, not just on a map!

An old, unmaintained boundary line. The faded blaze and paint aren't visible from any distance. It'd be easy for an unsupervised logger to cross this line without realizing it – or even for a landowner to be unsure of where their property line is if they didn't know where to look.



Maintained property lines are visible from a distance in the woods.

