CLEAR CUTS



This controversial and often misunderstood forestry practice can mimic stand-replacing natural disturbances when correctly and sustainably executed. It is especially useful when trying to grow tree species that are intolerant of shade, including oak and cherry. The Baileys have conducted two well managed clear cuts on their property along the Lost Creek Hiking trail – the first in 1985, and the most recent in 2010.



Additional Information:

<u>University of Washington - Effects on Soil Ecology (powerpoint)</u>

West Virginia University - "Myths and Facts"

<u>Clemson University - Responses of Wildlife</u>

Michigan Department of Natural Resources (PDF)



Above – Clear cut from 2010 on the Bailey brothers property Below – Clear cut from 1985 on the Bailey brothers property

