



## **Dallas County Mission Statement**

The Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter is committed to assisting in wildlife habitat improvement throughout Dallas County. Our habitat policy includes the major habitat requirements necessary to fulfill this commitment.

The Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter has unanimously agreed to cost share with landowners that are existing Pheasants Forever members. Landowners may purchase their membership through the cost share that they receive from the Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter on habitat projects.

Pheasants Forever is a nonprofit organization formed in 1982 in response to the continuing decline of ring necked pheasants. Pheasants Forever is dedicated to the protection of enhancement of pheasant and other upland wildlife populations through habitat improvement, public awareness and education.

The lifeblood of Pheasants Forever is the county chapter, which retains most of the money raised at annual banquets and uses the funds for local habitat work, including, but not limited to, the establishment of nesting cover, food plots, and woody cover adjacent to existing habitat areas.

The loss of upland grassland habitat is the limiting factor for the pheasant population in this county. Pheasants need cover that is not disturbed from May 15<sup>th</sup> – Aug 1<sup>st</sup> for nesting and brood rearing. July is when the majority of nest hatch. What nesting cover is available is often destroyed prematurely by haying, over grazing or recreational mowing.

To apply for the  
Dallas County Pheasants Forever  
cost sharing programs contact:

**Justin Smith 515-465-3577**

For more information regarding Dallas  
County Pheasants Forever Chapter  
Habitat programs or for assistance in  
planning your food plots, native grass  
plantings, or tree and shrub plantings  
contact any of the following:

**Justin Smith, Deputy Director/Biologist  
Dallas County Conservation Board**

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Perry, IA 50220  
515-465-3577

**George Warford, District Forester  
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Adel, IA 50003  
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**Mike Wallace, Director  
Dallas County Conservation Board**

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Natural Resource Conservation Service**

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# **Dallas County Pheasants Forever**



## **2011 Wildlife Habitat Cost Sharing Programs:**

**Conifer Tree and Shrub Plantings**

**Native Grass and Forb Seed**

**Food Plot Program**

## **Conifer Tree and Shrub: Permanent Winter Habitat Assistance Program**

Guidelines for financial assistance from Dallas County Pheasants Forever in establishing conifer tree and shrub plantings for permanent winter cover for wildlife habitat.

- Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter will reimburse 50% of the total projects costs up to a maximum of \$300 for conifer trees and shrubs establishment.
- The planting must be in rows or clumps and consist of approved species that best provide upland bird habitat.
- Landowners enrolling in other State and Federal Programs are eligible for this cost share.
- No haying, grazing, recreational mowing or seed harvesting will be permitted.
- The sole purpose is for wildlife habitat.
- Landowners participating in leased or fee hunting are not eligible for assistance.
- Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter reserves the right to accept/reject any application.
- A 10 year contract will be signed to ensure the proper use of Pheasants Forever assistance.

To help you establish tree and shrub habitat, the Dallas County Conservation Board has a tree planter available for your use.

**Call 515-465-3577 for details or  
to reserve the tree planter.**

## **Permanent Nesting and Winter Habitat Assistance**

Guidelines for financial assistance from Dallas County Pheasants Forever in establishing your own nesting and winter cover for wildlife habitat.

- Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter will provide 50% cost share on the landowner expense, up to \$500 for warm season grass and forb seedings.
- No haying, grazing, recreational mowing or seed harvesting will be permitted.
- Landowners participating in other programs, including CRP and Continuous CRP are eligible.
- The sole purpose is for wildlife habitat.
- Landowners participating in leased or fee hunting are not eligible for assistance.
- Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter reserves the right to accept or reject any application.
- A 10 year contract will be signed to ensure the proper use of Pheasants Forever assistance.



To also help you establish native grass and forbs, the Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter, in partnership with the Dallas County Conservation Board, has two native grass drills available for rent.

**Call 515-465-3577 for details and/or  
to reserve a grass drill.**

## **Wildlife Food Plot Program**

Guidelines for financial assistance from Dallas County Pheasants Forever in establishing your own food plot for wildlife habitat.

- Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter will provide FREE corn and grain sorghum seed to landowners.
- Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter will pay a flat rate of \$30 per acre of food plots to provide assistance for ground preparation, weed control, etc. Maximum payment of \$300 per eligible landowner.
- Food plots on CRP must meet NRCS requirements, which includes:
  - ~ no-till or conventional tillage and planting methods
  - ~ 80 lbs of Nitrogen per acre
  - ~ Adequate pre and post-emergent weed control
  - ~ If no chemicals are used cultivate as needed
  - ~ Corn and Sorghum must be planted by June 1.
  - ~ Broadcast planting may be allowed on certain mixes.
- Landowners participating in leased or fee hunting are not eligible for assistance.
- Dallas County Pheasants Forever Chapter reserves the right to accept/reject any application.

