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June 27, 2025

Kristi Onstot  
Executive Council  
L O C A L

Subject: Wildfire at Loess Hills State Forest on April 13, 2023  
Department of Natural Resources  
Claim Dated July 17, 2023  
AOS Claim ID: 3486

In accordance with Executive Council policy, we have examined the invoices and supporting documentation for partial payment related to the damages and have found the items to be in order as shown below:

Documented request		\$ 770,400.00
Executive Council Allocation		\$ 1,814,320.00
Less:		
Previous payments	\$ 206,000.00	
This payment	<u>770,400.00</u>	
Total		<u>\$ 976,400.00</u>
Remaining Executive Council allocation		<u>\$ 837,920.00</u>

We recommend reimbursement be made in the amount of \$770,400.00. This represents partial payment of the loss.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian R. Brustkern".

Brian R. Brustkern, CPA  
Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Kayla Lyon, Director, Department of Natural Resources  
Sherry L. Arntzen, Bureau Chief, State Parks, Forests, and Preserves Bureau,  
Department of Natural Resources  
Kara Bryant, Budget and Finance, Department of Natural Resources

May 27, 2025

To: Tammy Hollingsworth, Auditor of State  
Kristi Onstot, Treasurer of State  
Executive Council

From: Kara Bryant, Federal Aid Coordinator  
Department of Natural Resources

Re: Reimbursement Request – 29C.20 Claim

AOS Claim #	3486
Location	Loess Hills State Forest
Event Date	April 13, 2023
Event Summary	Wildfire
Amount Requested	\$770,400.00
Request Details	3 <sup>rd</sup> partial
DNR Accounting String	0147-542-R500-UA-0301

Copies of accounting documents paid by the DNR included in this request are attached.

If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Kara Bryant, Federal Aid Coordinator  
Department of Natural Resources  
[kara.bryant@dnr.iowa.gov](mailto:kara.bryant@dnr.iowa.gov)  
515-587-7409

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# INVOICE

24DNRFPJSEAG-0010

## BILL TO

State of Iowa DNR  
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STE 200  
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Seago

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Jeff Seago  
Date: 2025.01.15  
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ref GAX 11112024117  
pd 11.21.2024  
0147-542-R500-UA-2486

INVOICE # 22532  
DATE 11/11/2024  
DUE DATE 12/01/2024  
TERMS Due on receipt

1.21.2025 ksb

	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,190.00	63,800.00
Contract Number 24DNRFPJSEAGO-0010			
20 acres Deciduous Tree Clearing (Task 1) @ \$3,190 per acre=			
\$63,800			
Completed 11/11/24			

We appreciate your business and look forward to having the opportunity to serve you in the future!

BALANCE DUE

**\$63,800.00**



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INVOICE # 22629

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DUE DATE 01/01/2025

TERMS Due on receipt

1.21.2025 ksb

	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,270.00	65,400.00
Contract Number 24DNRPRPJSEAGO-0010			
20 Acres Eastern Red Cedar Clearing (Task 2) @ \$3,270 per acre= \$65,400			

We appreciate your business and look forward to having the opportunity to serve you in the future!

BALANCE DUE

**\$65,400.00**



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**INVOICE #** 22694

**DATE** 01/28/2025

**DUE DATE** 02/01/2025

**TERMS** Due on receipt

2.4.2025 ksb

	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,190.00	63,800.00
Contract Number 24DNRFPJSEAGO-0010			
20 acres Deciduous Tree Clearing (Task 1) @ \$3,190 per acre=			
\$63,800			
Completed 1/28/25			

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**BALANCE DUE**

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INVOICE # 22721

DATE 02/07/2025

DUE DATE 03/01/2025

TERMS Due on receipt

	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,190.00	63,800.00
Contract Number 24DNRFPJPJSEAGO-0010			
20 acres deciduous tree clearing (Task 1) @ \$3,190 per acres=			
\$63,800			

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BALANCE DUE

**\$63,800.00**

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**DATE** 02/21/2025

**DUE DATE** 03/01/2025

**TERMS** Due on receipt

	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,270.00	65,400.00
Contract Number 24DNRFPJSEAGO-0010			
20 Acres Eastern Red Cedar Clearing (Task 2) @ \$3,270 per acre			

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BALANCE DUE

**\$65,400.00**

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2.24.2025 ksb

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INVOICE # 22757

DATE 02/21/2025

DUE DATE 03/01/2025

TERMS Due on receipt

	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,190.00	63,800.00
Contract Number 24DNRFPJPJSEAGO-0010			
20 acres Deciduous Tree Clearing (Task 1) @ \$3,190			

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BALANCE DUE

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**DATE** 03/04/2025

**DUE DATE** 04/01/2025

**TERMS** Due on receipt

3.5.2025 ksb

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<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,190.00	63,800.00
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**DUE DATE** 04/01/2025  
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	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,190.00	63,800.00
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**DATE** 04/05/2025  
**DUE DATE** 05/01/2025  
**TERMS** Due on receipt

	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,190.00	63,800.00
Contract Number 24DNRFPJSEAGO-0010 Am 1			
20 Acres Deciduous Tree Clearing (Task 1) @ \$3,190 per acre			

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<b>Contract Work:Contract Work</b>	20	3,270.00	65,400.00
Contract Number 24DNRFPFJSEAGO-0010 Am 1			
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