



Is Your Property Tallow Tree Free?

Tallow Tree Terminators' Update

Surveys of properties in Tallow Tree Management Area (TTMA) 5, which includes Island Circle West, North and South Curisha Point, North and South Boone Road, Malilly Run Road and Locust Fence Road (as shown on the map below), were completed this month. One or more tallow trees were found on 40 properties.

The breakdown of these properties are:

- Developed – 47%
- Undeveloped – 43%
- Common Ground – 10%

Letters have been sent to the owners of properties, where tallow trees were marked with red surveyor tape, requesting that they take action in removing the trees. Several property owners have already responded by either having their trees cut down and sprayed, or granting the Dataw Island Conservancy permission to “hack and spray” their tallow trees. As of now, more than 200 tallow trees in TTMA 5 have been hacked and sprayed by the Tallow Tree Terminators. Most of these trees were on DIOA land.

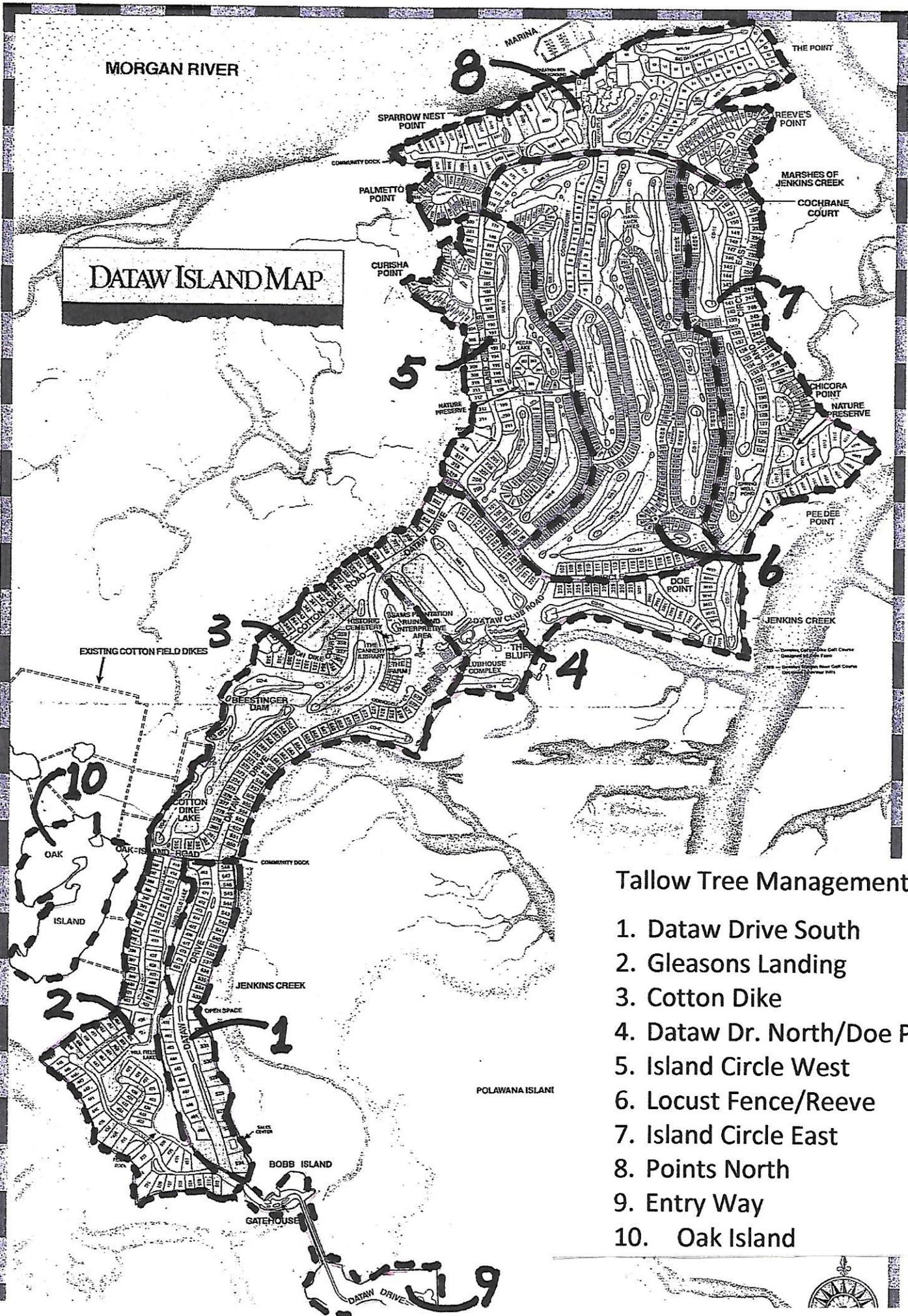
As responses from property owners continue to come in, we will be scheduling “hack and spray” treatments for other properties in the near future - when the “heat wave” breaks.

We are now moving on to TTMA 6, which encompasses Rowland Drive, Westbrook Road, B. B. Sams Drive/Court, North and South Reeve Road and part of Island Circle East. Property owners are being notified about the upcoming tallow tree surveys and their permission to walk their property looking for tallow trees is being requested.

This is a voluntary program that relies on each and every property owner to become educated on the threat that tallow trees pose to the island's ecology, and to do their part. The success of this program depends heavily on the property owner's volition to remove any tallow trees that are found from their land. You can make a difference!

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DATAW ISLAND MAP



Tallow Tree Management Areas

1. Dataw Drive South
2. Gleasons Landing
3. Cotton Dike
4. Dataw Dr. North/Doe Point
5. Island Circle West
6. Locust Fence/Reeve
7. Island Circle East
8. Points North
9. Entry Way
10. Oak Island