

# Nesting Platform for Osprey

## SUPPLIES NEEDED:

### LUMBER:

THREE - 2" X 6" X 10' Pressure Treated Planks

ONE - 2" X 6" X 4' Pressure Treated Plank

1-1/4" GAL. DRYWALL SCREWS

### OTHER SUPPLIES:

One - 45" x 45" Piece of 2" x 4" Welded Wire Mesh

2-1/2" Galvanized Deck Screws

3" Galvanized Deck Screws

Four - 3/8" x 5" Lag Bolts with Washers

Fencing Staples for Attaching Wire Mesh

Drill with Screw Driver Bit

Assorted Drill Bits for Pre-drilling as Necessary

Adjustable Wrench for Attaching to Post with Lag Bolts

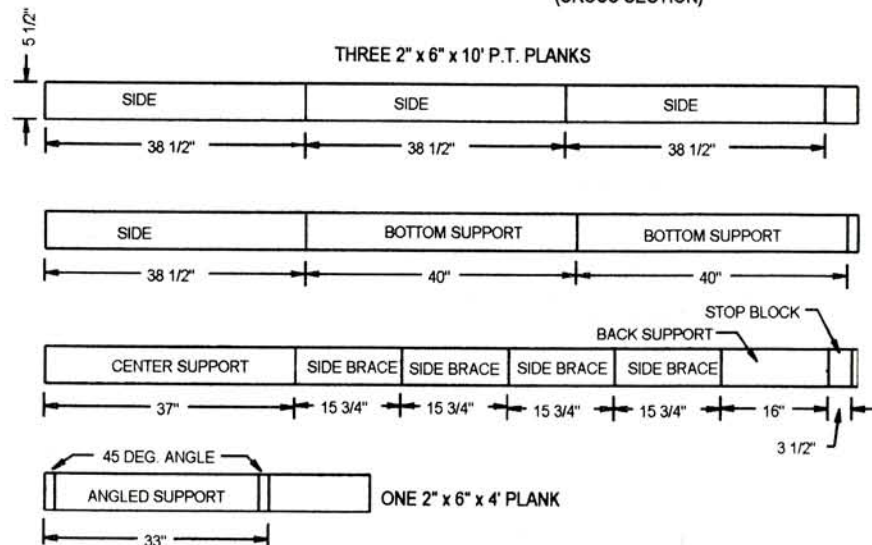
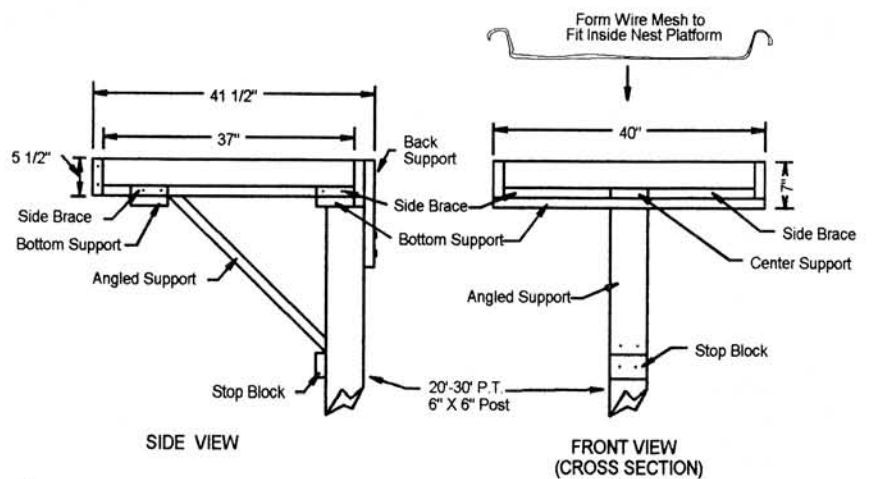
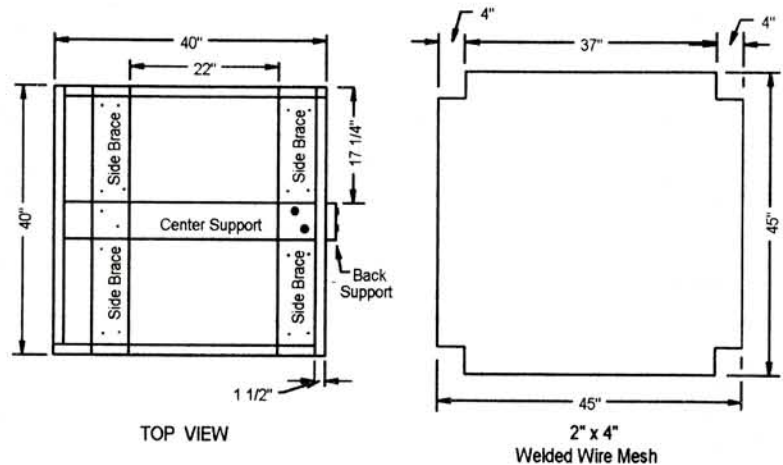
Brown Stain

### ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Assemble sides using 3" screws.
2. Install 2 BOTTOM SUPPORTS with 3" screws.
3. Attach CENTER SUPPORT to BOTTOM SUPPORTS with 2-1/2" screws and to front and back Sides with 3" screws.
4. Insert 4 Side Braces. Attach to Bottom Supports with 2-1/2" screws and to Sides with 3" screws.
5. Attach BACK SUPPORT to rear Side with 6 or more 2-1/2" screws. Pre-drill 3/8" holes in back support for lag bolts and attachment to pole.
6. Pre-drill 3/8" holes through CENTER SUPPORT and BOTTOM SUPPORT for lag bolts and attachment to pole.
7. \*\*Attach platform to pole with lag bolts through Center Support and Back Support.
8. \*\*Install Angles Support and Stop Block using 3" screws.
9. Stain Assembly with 2-3 coats of stain.
10. Attach Wire Mesh with Fencing Staples.
11. Some sticks should be wired into nest to stimulate use by Ospreys.

\*\*If another style pole or tree top is used for placement of nest, appropriate modifications can be made.

A predator guard on post is recommended.



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