Forest Resource Management

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Harvest Methodology

The harvest boundary is marked with blue paint. Harvest all merchantable pine stems and harvest or sever all hardwood stems except designated Wildlife trees. Harvest from SMZ is allowed, however it is limited to Pine Saw Timber which is no closer than 25 feet from the stream bank. Comply with all state BMPs; all current FIA EMS requirements; and any federal, state, and local regulations applicable to this harvest. Avoid felling trees into SMZs, minimize SMZ crossings, and bridge mats are required for all stream crossings. Minimize soil disturbance by concentrating skid trails and dispersing slash and tops on main skid trails. Rutting may not exceed 8 inches deep for more than 200 feet. At no time shall trash be placed upon the ground. Skimming (Removal) of the road surface is prohibited. Trucks should be loaded on the deck and not on the haul roads. At closure berms along the outsides of roads should be removed, road centers should be leveled, and turnouts should be opened. Decks should be smoothed and landings, roads, and bare soils areas with slopes greater than 5 percent should be revegetated. Roads within the harvest area are no to be used for skidding and any roads used during harvest must be returned to like condition. Gate lock must be locked to chain or bar during harvest.