

Red Alder Growth Model & Other Management Tools

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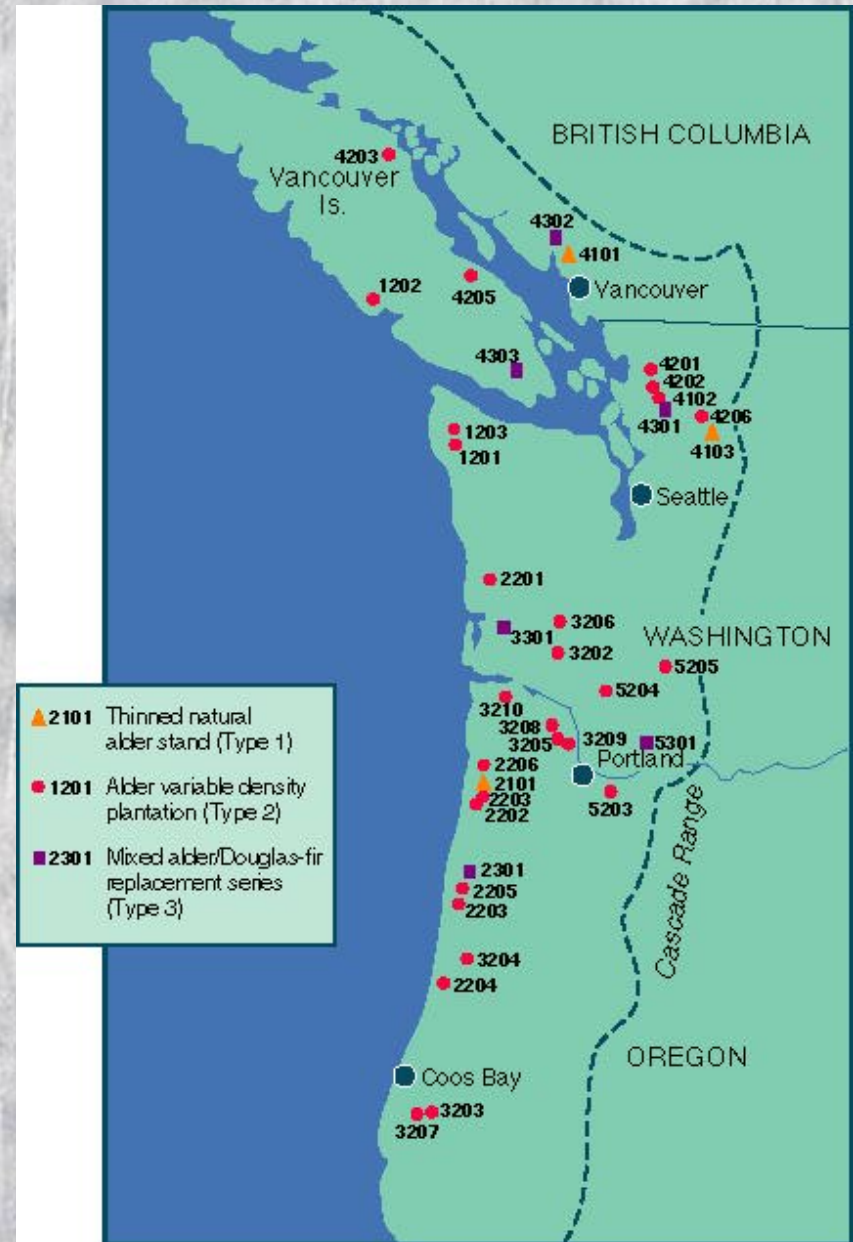
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Hardwood Silviculture Cooperative (HSC)

- **The HSC is a research and education program focused on the silviculture of red alder and mixes of red alder and Douglas-fir in the PNW.**
- **Began in 1988, the HSC is a combination of industry and both federal and state agency members.**
- **The goal of the HSC is simple: to improve the understanding, management, and production of red alder.**



Adoption of Red Alder Management- Issues/Obstacles

- **Alder plantation establishment is expensive - seedling costs, high planting density (500-600 tpa) and pre-commercial thinning costs**
- **Lack of seedling availability - inconsistent supply of high-quality seedlings**
- **Landowners' and managers' bias against and unfamiliarity with red alder management**
- **Economics - competitive returns from alder under certain conditions...what conditions?**

Adoption of Red Alder Management- Solutions?

- **Restore and support economical seedling production systems**
- **Genetic improvement, high-performance red alder clones**
- **Opportunistic management of natural regeneration**
- **Improved red alder management toolkit:**
 - **Site assessment, red alder management manual, growth & yield tables, and economic analysis tools**

Red Alder Management Tools

- **Site Selection Tool**
- **Site Index Equation**
- **Density Management Diagram**
- **Taper Equation**
- **Volume Tables**
- **Growth & Yield Model**



Red Alder Management Tools- Site Selection

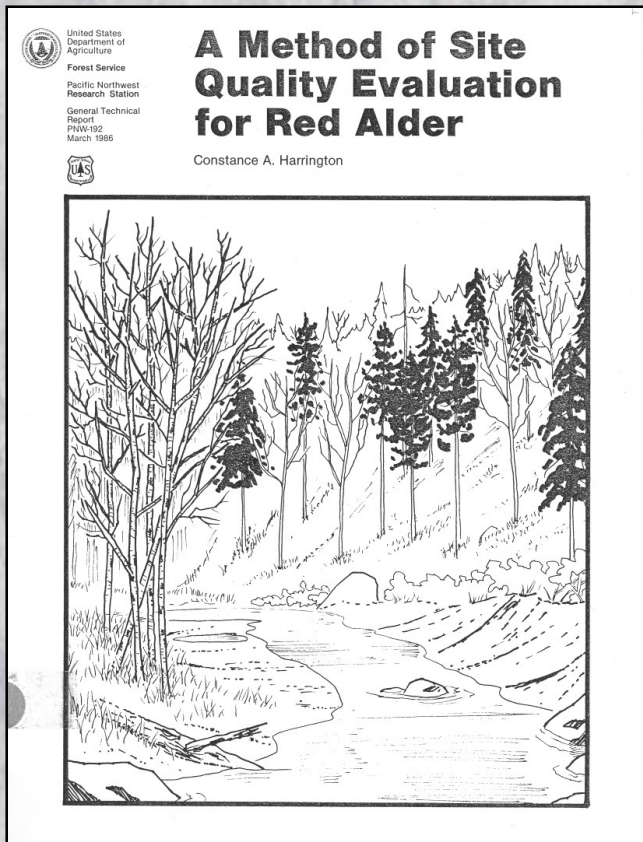
Red Alder Site Index SI_{50} by Age and Height - ages 5-20 years from seed
 Find SI in the table using ave. height of dominant trees in left column, age in top row

height	age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10	59																
12	69	62															
14	75	69	62														
16	82	72	66	62	59												
18	89	79	72	66	62	59											
20	92	85	75	72	66	62	59										
22	98	89	82	75	72	66	62	62	59								
24	102	92	85	79	75	72	69	66	62	59							
26	108	98	89	82	79	75	72	69	66	62	59						
28	112	102	92	89	82	79	75	72	69	66	62	62	59				
30	115	105	98	92	85	82	79	75	72	69	66	62	62	59			
32	118	108	102	95	89	85	79	75	72	69	66	66	62	62	59		
34	121	112	105	98	92	89	82	79	75	72	69	66	66	62	62	59	
36	125	115	108	102	95	92	85	82	79	75	75	72	69	69	66	66	
38	128	118	112	105	98	92	89	85	82	79	75	75	72	69	69	66	
40		121	112	105	102	95	92	89	85	82	79	75	75	72	72	69	
42		125	118	112	105	98	95	92	89	85	82	82	79	75	75	72	
44			121	112	108	102	98	95	92	89	85	82	82	79	75	75	
46			121	115	112	105	102	98	92	92	89	85	82	82	79	75	
48			125	118	112	108	102	98	95	92	89	89	85	82	82	79	
50			128	121	115	108	105	102	98	95	92	89	89	85	82	82	
52				125	118	112	108	105	102	98	95	92	89	89	85	82	
54				125	118	115	112	105	102	98	95	95	92	89	89	85	
56				128	121	118	112	108	105	102	98	95	95	92	89	89	
58					125	118	115	112	108	105	102	98	95	92	92	89	
60					125	121	118	112	108	105	102	102	98	95	92	92	
62					128	125	118	115	112	108	105	102	98	98	95	92	
64						125	121	118	112	108	108	105	102	98	98	95	
66						128	125	118	115	112	108	108	105	102	98	98	
68							125	121	118	115	112	108	105	105	102	98	
70								128	125	121	118	115	112	108	105	105	
72								128	125	121	118	115	112	112	108	105	
74									128	125	121	118	115	112	108	108	
76										128	125	121	118	118	115	112	
78											128	125	121	118	115	112	
80												128	125	121	121	118	
82													128	125	121	118	
84														128	125	121	
86															128	125	
88																128	
90																	128

Calculated from equations of Harrington and Curtis 1986,
 converted to 50-year base by Thrower and Nussbaum 1991

Red Alder Management Tools- Site Selection

The most common way of determining site index (base age of 50 years) uses the soil-site method developed by Harrington (1986).



Site evaluations for red alder

Site name or number: _____

Location: _____

Soil-site factors

1		2		3	
Geographic and topographic position		Soil moisture and aeration during the growing season		Soil fertility and physical condition	
Soil-site property	Score for this site	Soil-site property	Score for this site	Soil-site property	Score for this site
Elevation _____		Internal drainage _____		Parent material and age _____	
Physiographic position _____		Texture _____		pH _____	
Aspect and slope _____		Soil depth _____		Organic matter _____	
Precipitation _____		Rock and gravel content _____		Bulk density _____	
Special hazards _____		Depth to water table _____			
Total for factor 1 = _____		Total for factor 2 = _____		Total for factor 3 = _____	
Total for all factors = _____					
SI ₅₀ = _____ m.					

Red Alder Management Tools- Site Selection

USDA United States Department of Agriculture
Natural Resources Conservation Service

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Area of Interest

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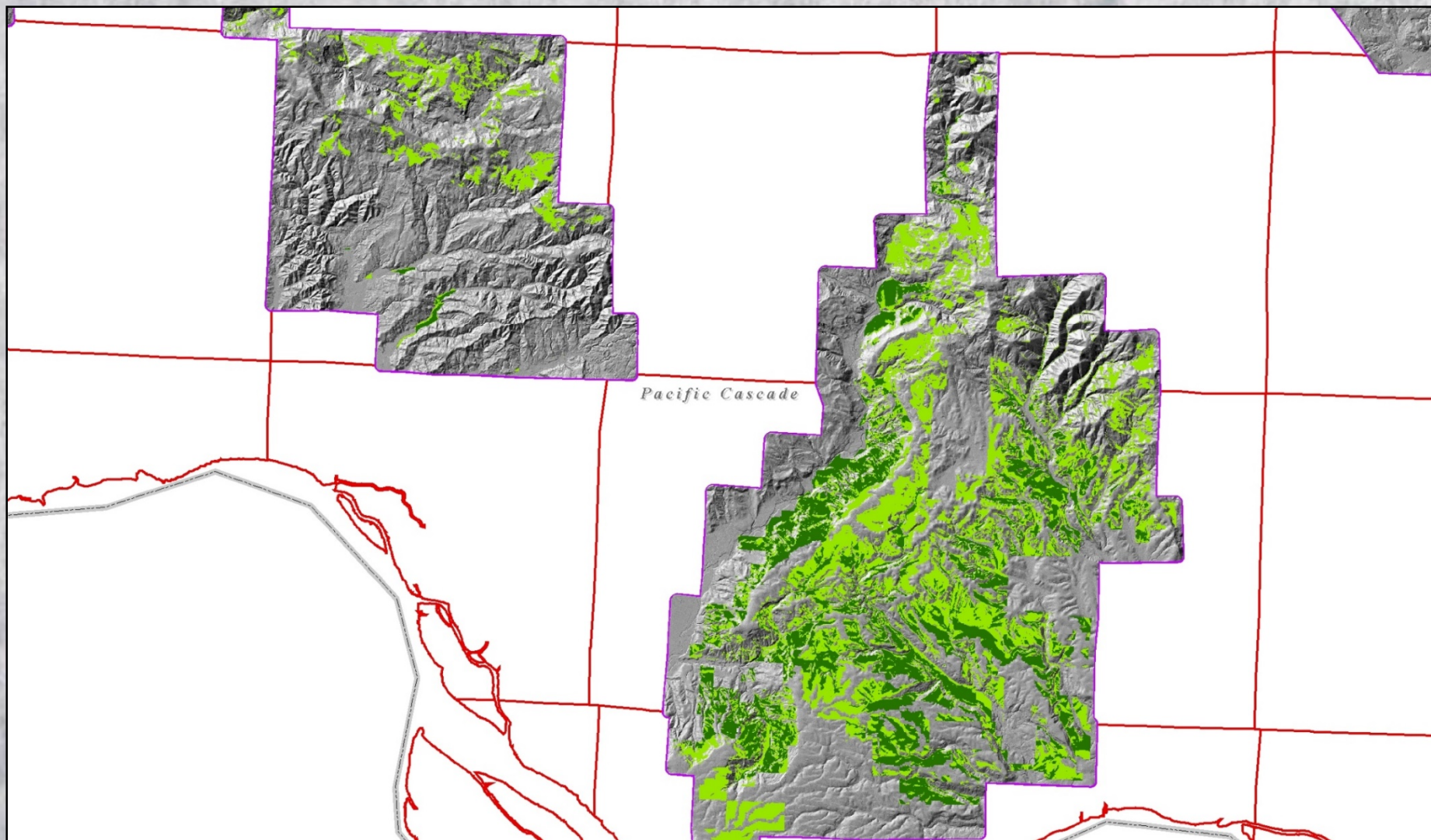
Area of Interest Interactive Map

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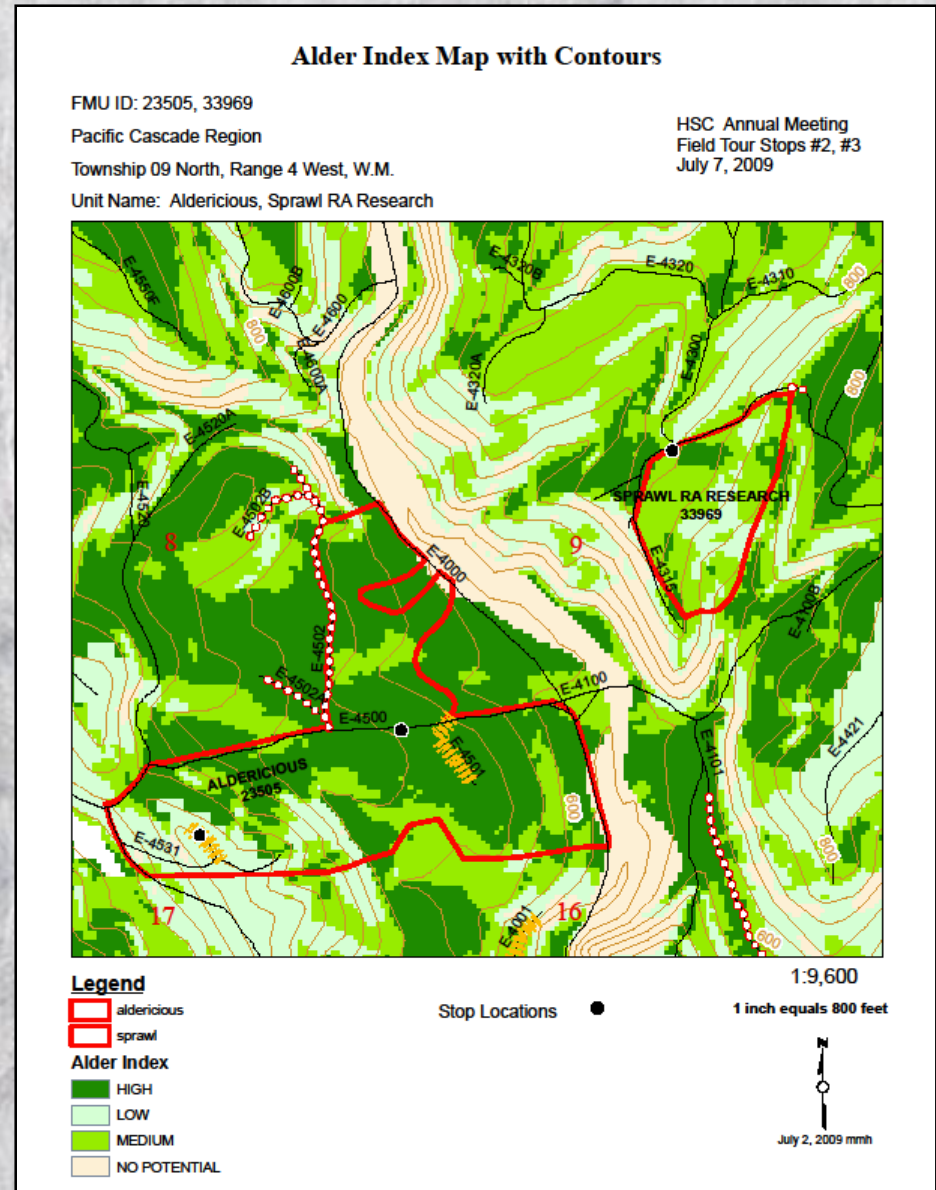
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Red Alder Management Tools- Site Selection



Red Alder Management Tools- Site Selection

- Developed by DNR
- Currently being tested on Western WA DNR lands
- Plan to have a publicly available version for all of Western WA & OR



Red Alder Management Tools- Site Index



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Research Station

Research Paper
PNW-353
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Height Growth and Site Index Curves for Red Alder

Constance A. Harrington and Robert O. Curtis



Site index curves have been developed for natural stands of red alder using a base age of 50, 25, or 20 years.

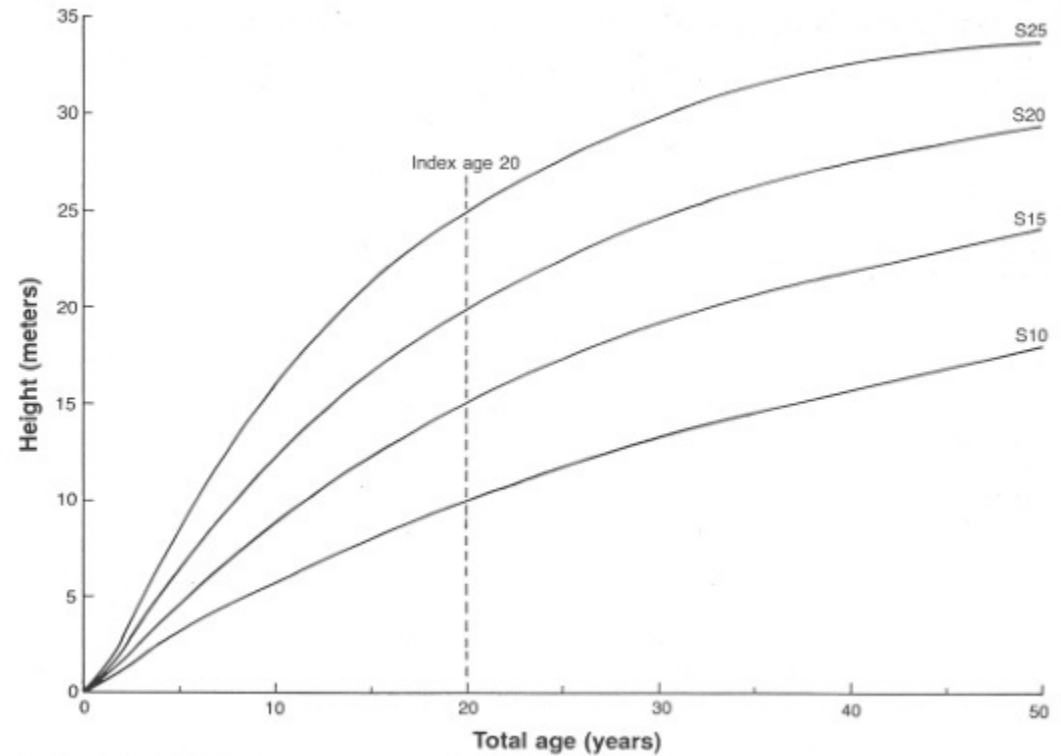
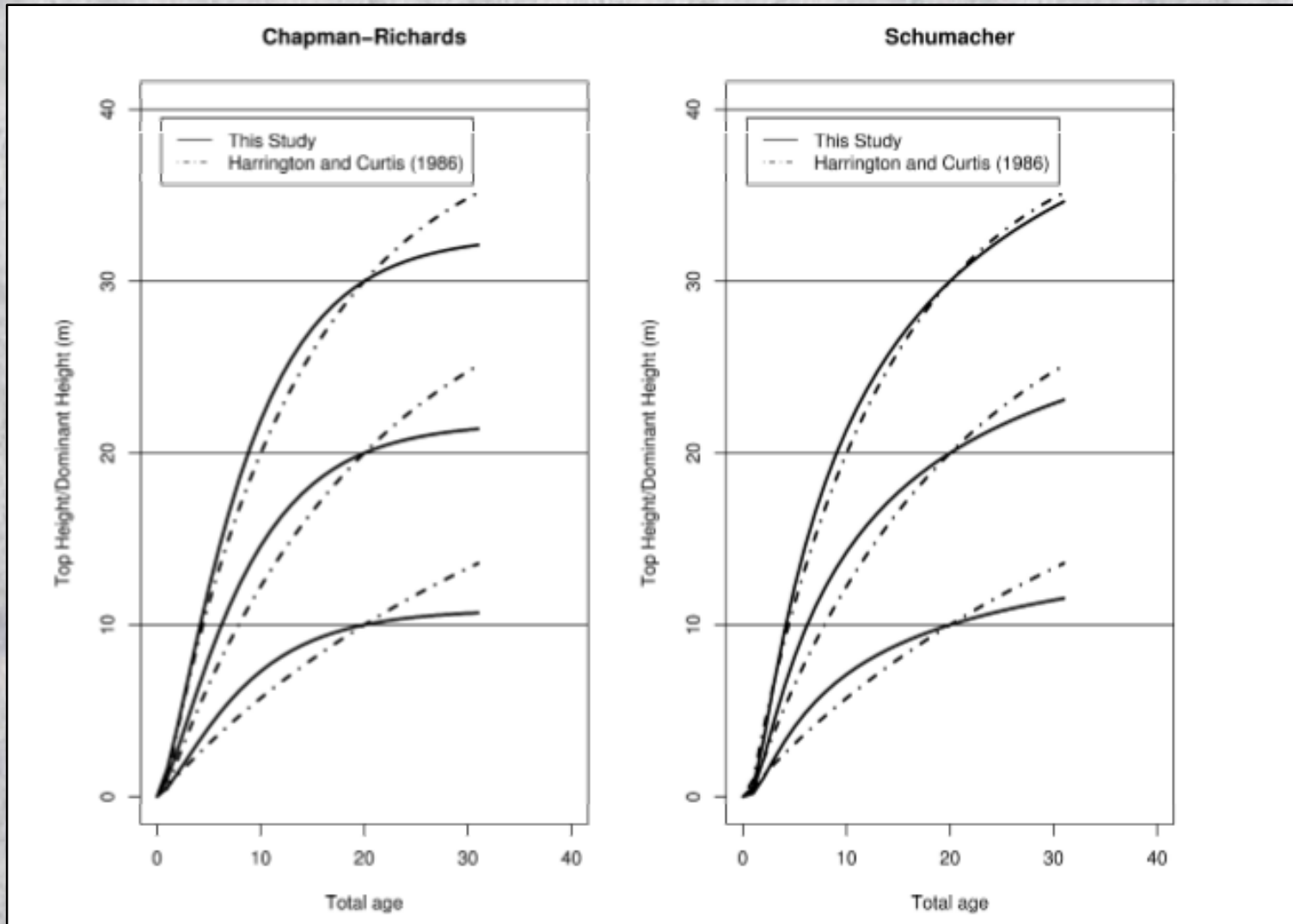


Figure 2.—Height growth curves corresponding to equation 5, combined data, in metric units.

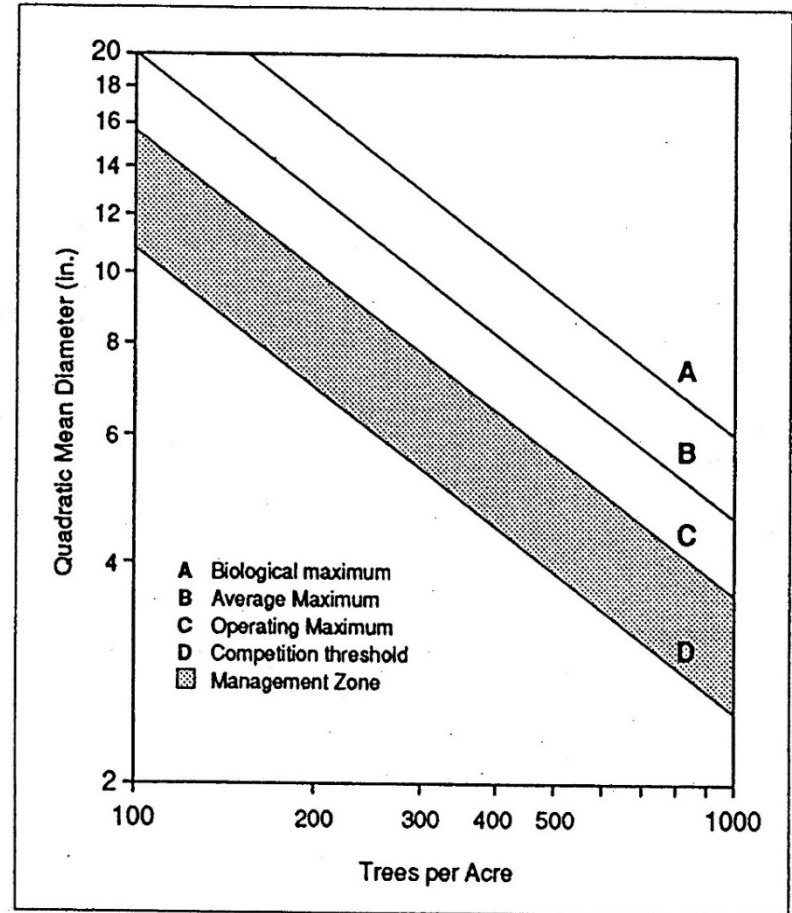
Red Alder Management Tools- Site Index

Site index curves have been developed for planted stands of red alder using a base age of 20 years



Red Alder Mgmt Tools- Density Management Diagram

- **Defines relationship between growing space and tree size**
- **Very useful tool for making decisions regarding stand density**
 - **Planting Density**
 - **Timing and intensity of thinning**



Density Management Diagram for red alder

Red Alder Management Tools- Taper Equation



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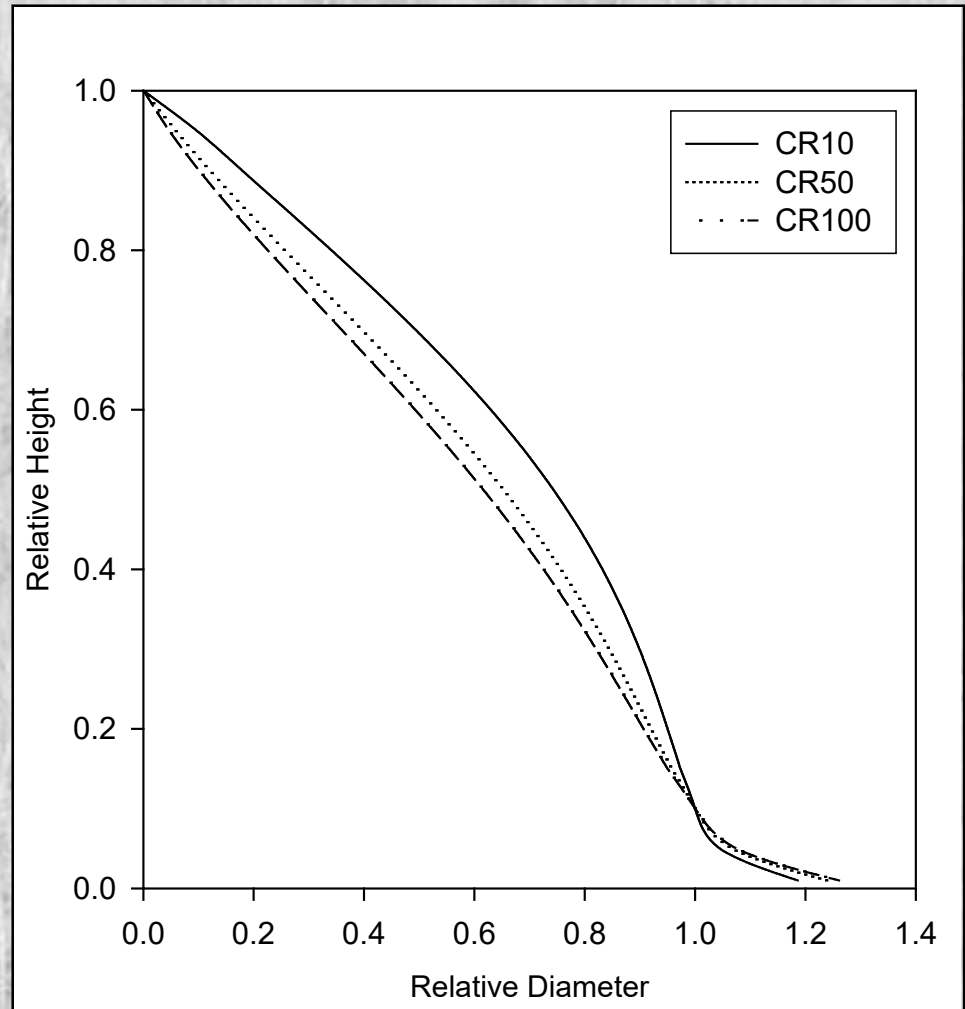
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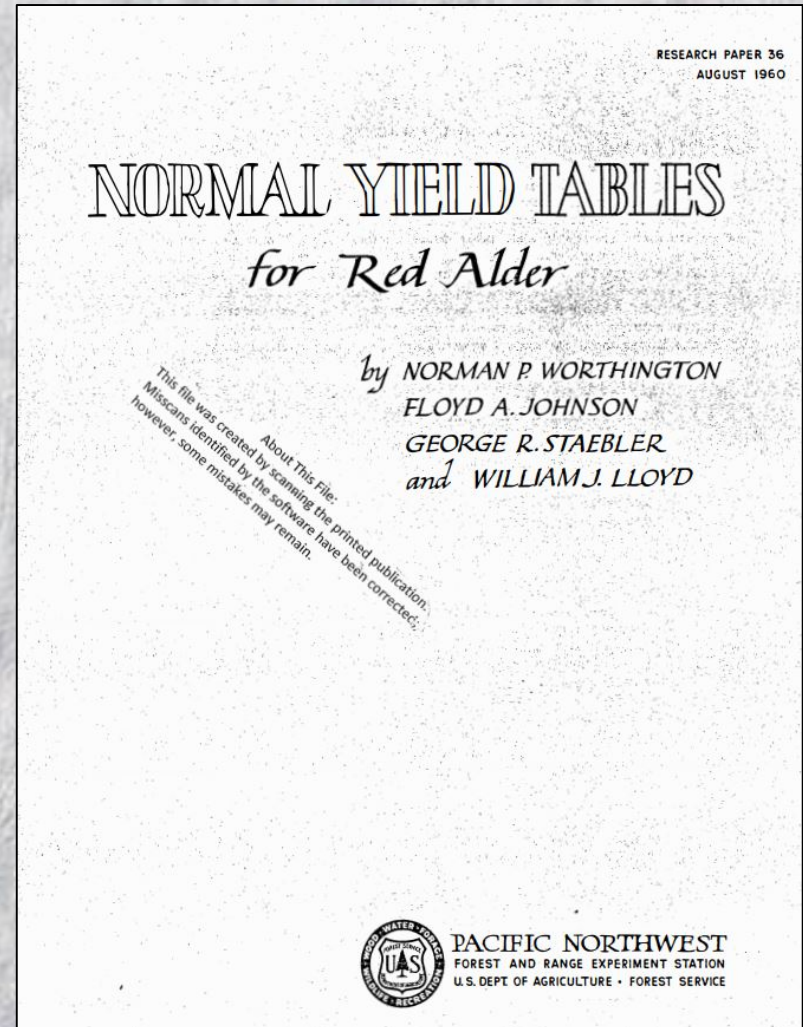
Taper Equation and Volume Tables for Plantation-Grown Red Alder

Andrew A. Bluhm, Sean M. Garber, and David E. Hibbs



Red Alder Management Tools- Volume Tables

- **Browne. 1962.** Standard cubic-foot volume tables for the commercial species of British Columbia
- **Chambers. 1983.** Empirical yield tables for predominantly alder stands in western Washington.
- **Curtis, et al. 1968.** Volume and taper tables for red alder.
- **Johnson, et al. 1949.** Volume tables for red alder.
- **Skinner. 1959.** Cubic volume tables for red alder and Sitka spruce.
- **Worthington, et al. 1960.** Normal yield tables for red alder.



Red Alder Mgnt Tools- Growth & Yield Model

- **RAP-ORGANON**
 - **Developed in 2010 using HSC and Weyerhaeuser data**
 - **This was the first red alder growth and yield model that specifically modelled the behavior of plantations**
 - **The oldest plantations were 18 years old**
- **Modeling Data**
 - **23 Weyerhaeuser installations containing 239 separate plots and nearly 143,000 tree measurements**
 - **25 HSC installations, containing 227 separate plots and 228,435 tree measurements**
 - **This dataset included over 70,000 more measurements than the dataset used for the original fit**
 - **Most importantly, the new dataset included 23-year-old measurements in all 25 sites, and 28-year-old measurements in 10 sites**
 - **Thinning modifiers were based on nearly 200 plots subjected to thinning, with remeasurements ensuring that more than 50 plots had at least 10 years of growth since thinning and 15 plots had 15 or more years of growth response**

Red Alder Mgnt Tools- Growth & Yield Model

- **Red Alder Growth Simulator**
 - **Center for Intensive Plantation Silviculture (CIPS) and the HSC, developed a user-friendly interface for RAP-ORGANON using Excel**
 - **This program can simulate stand and tree growth under different treatment scenarios (i.e. thinning)**
 - **“Runs” are controlled by user-specified tree lists, stand information (site index, age and planting density), rotation length and treatment types, merchandising specifications (top diameter, log lengths, trim, etc.), and economic specifications (interest rate, incurred costs and log prices)**



Red Alder Mgnt Tools- Growth & Yield Model

- **Features:**
 - **Tree Data: DBH, HT, CR, CFV, BFV**
 - **Stand Data: TPA, BA, QMD, HT40, RD, CFV, BFV, CFV MAI, BFV MAI, proportion of volume by log class**
 - **Stand Graphs: TPA, BA, CFV, & BFV by age**
 - **Economic Analysis: IRR & PNV**
- **Additional Features:**
 - **Site Quality Calculator: A built-in calculator for Harrington's (1986) "Method of Site Quality Evaluation for Red Alder" is included**
 - **Site Index Calculator: SI (base age 20 years) can be calculated based on height-age pairs**
 - **Site Index Converter: SI based on height age pairs (base age 20 years) can be converted to SI based on the site quality evaluation method (base age 50 years), and vice versa**

Red Alder Growth Simulator

- **Inputs (What You Need)**
 - **Computer, Microsoft Office**
 - **Site Index**
 - **Planting Density**
 - **Tree Age**
 - **Individual Tree List**
 - **Management Regime**
 - **Merchantability Specifications**
 - **Economic Specifications**
 - **Log prices, management costs, interest rate, inflation rate, etc**

Red Alder Growth Simulator- Inputs

- Site Index

	B	C	D	E	G
1	Calculate Site index				
2					
3	Calculate SI_{20}				
4	20 yr (Weirkittel et al.)				
5	Height (ft)	Age	Planting density (T)	SI₂₀	
6	59.7142	23	1375	56.5	
7	60.0423	23	1375	56.8	
8	58.7299	23	1375	55.6	
9	58.0737	23	1375	55.0	
10	61.3547	23	1375	58.1	
11	60.6985	23	1375	57.5	
12	55.4489	23	1375	52.5	
13	57.7456	23	1375	54.7	
14					
15					
16					
17					
18					
19					
20					
21					
22					
23					
24					
25					
26	Average (ft)			55.8	
27					
28					
29					



Red Alder Growth Simulator- Inputs

Site Index

	B	C	D	E
1	Calculate Site index			
2	Calculate Slope			
3				
4	20 yr (Weirbittel et al.)			
5	Height (ft Age)	Planting density (TI)	Size	
6	59.7142	23	1375	58
7	60.0423	23	1375	58
8	58.7299			
9	58.0737			
10	61.3547			
11	60.6985			
12	55.4489			
13	57.7456			
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20				
21				
22				
23				
24				
25				
26	Average (ft)			58
27				
28				
29				

Red Alder - Site Quality Evaluation

Elevation	Meters	Foot Site Ptr	Foot Site Ptr	Select	
100	328	8	250	3.1	
250	820	7	500	7.7	
450	1476	6	750	7.3	
650	2132	5	1000	6.9	
850	2788	4	1250	6.5	
1050	3444	3	1500	6.1	
1200	3936	0	1750	5.7	
			2000	5.3	
			2250	4.9	
			2500	4.6	
			2750	4.2	
			3000	3.8	
			3250	3.4	
			3500	0.0	
			3750	0.0	
				OK	6.1

Don't plant RA above 3500*

Slope Position	Site Ptr	Select	Precipitation - April thru Sept.	Site Ptr	Select	
Floodplain	5	0	>18"	3	1	
Bench <20% slope	4	0	12"-16"	2	0	
Lower slope >20% slope	3	0	8"-10"	1	0	
Depression/marsh	2	1	<6"	0	0	
					OK	3

GRAND TOTAL SITE POINTS	Site Pts	50yr Site Index (m)	50yr Site Index (ft)	20yr Site Index (m)	20yr Site Index (ft)
	33.1	33.1	108.7	23.8	78.2

Soil	Drainage	Site Ptr	Select	Soil	Organic matter (top 4")	Site Ptr	Select
	Well drained	4	1	4	5% to 20%	2	1
	Moderately well drained	3	0	0	<3%	1	0
	Somewhat excessively drained	2	0	0	>25%	1	0
	Somewhat poorly drained	1	0	0		OK	2
	Poorly drained	0	0	0			

Soil	Texture	Site Ptr	Select	Soil	pH	Site Ptr	Select
	Silt, Silty or Loam	3	1	3	4.6 to 5.5	2	1
	Clay, clay loam, silty clay	2	0	0	3.8 to 4.3	1	0
	Sandy,....	0	0	0	<3.0	0	0
						OK	2

Soil	Depth	Site Ptr	Select	Soil	Bulk density	Site Ptr	Select
	>= 30"	2	1	2	<1.2 g/cm ³	0	1
	16"-30"	1	0	0	1.4 g/cm ³ or more	-2	0
	<16"	0	0	0		OK	0

Soil	Rock/gravel	Site Ptr	Select	Parent Material	Site Ptr	Select	
	0-25%	1	1	1	Young rail, water deposited	4	0
	30%-50%	0	0	0	Sedimentary (siltstone, sandstone, shale, basalt)	3	1
	>50%	-2	0	0	Coarse alluvial, glacial or volcanic	2	0
					Highly weathered mineral rail	1	0
						OK	3

Soil	Water table	Site Ptr	Select
	6-10 feet	2	1
	3-5 feet	1	0
	<3 feet	0	0
		OK	2.0

Red Alder Growth Simulator- Inputs

- Stand Info

	A	B	C
1	Stand information input		
2	RA Site Index	75.0	
3	DF Site Index	123	
4	Even Aged?	1	
5	BH_AGE	2	
6	Age from seed	4	
7	ORGANON input/output		
8	VERSION	4	
9	Number of plots	1	
12	Merchandising Specifications		
13	<i>Cubic Foot Volume</i>		
14	Stump Height (ft)	0	
15	Top Diameter (inches)	0	
16			
17	<i>Board Foot Volume</i>		
18	Log length (ft)	20	
19	Min Log length (ft)	10	
20	Top Diameter (inches)	6	
21	Stump height (ft)	1	
22	Trim (inches)	6	
23	Economic Specifications		
24	Interest rate (%)	7.5	
25	Inflation rate (%)	2	
26	Timber Prc Increase (%)	0.5	
27			
28	Costs		
29	Logging, thin	150.00	
30	Logging, Final harvest	150.00	
31	Haul	80.00	
32	PCT	125.00	
33	Spray	80.00	
34	Site Prep	200.00	
35	Plant	100.00	
36			
37	Log Prices		
38	4" scaling diameter	400.00	
39	5" scaling diameter	400.00	
40	6" scaling diameter	450.00	
41	7" scaling diameter	450.00	
42	8" scaling diameter	550.00	
43	9" scaling diameter	550.00	
44	10" scaling diameter	575.00	
45	11" scaling diameter	600.00	
46	12"+ scaling diameter	650.00	
47			
48			
49			
50			
51			

Red Alder Growth Simulator- Inputs

- Treatments

	A	B	C	D	E
	Treatment (user thin, RD or TPA thinning from below, fertilization)	Total Age	Type 0=final harvest; 1=user thin; 2=RD thin; 3=TPA thin; 4=output stand/tree data	Treatment specifics user code (if type=1); Residual RD (if type=2); Residual TPA (if type=3);	Thinning specifics: (% of total that should be removed proportionally)
1					
2	1	41	0	0	0
3	2	0	0	0	0
4	3	0	0	0	0
5	4	0	0	0	0
6	5	0	0	0	0
7	6	0	0	0	0
8	7	0	0	0	0
9	8	0	0	0	0
10	Comparison to control? (1=yes, 0=no)		0		
11					

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	A	B	C	D	E
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1					
2					
3					
4	1				
5	2	1	11	3	250
6	3	2	36	0	0
7	4	3	0	0	0
8	5	4	0	0	0
9	6	5	0	0	0
10	7	6	0	0	0
11	8	7	0	0	0
9		8	0	0	0
10	Comparison to control? (1=yes, 0=no)				0
11					

Red Alder Growth Simulator- Inputs

- Tree List

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
1	Plot	Tree	Species	User code	DBH	Ht	CR	EXPF			
2	204	635	351	1	1.1	11.8	0.86	3.0			
3	204	636	351	1	1.5	13.1	0.90	3.0			
4	204	637	351	1	1.2	13.1	0.85	3.0			
5	204	638	351	1	0.9	10.8	0.82	3.0			
6	204	639	351	1	1.5	15.4	0.96	3.0			
7	204	640	351	1	0.8			3.0			
8	204	641	351	1	1.3			3.0			
9	204	642	351	1	0.7			3.0			
10	204	643	351	1	1.0			3.0			
11	204	644	351	1	0.7	9.2		3.0			
12	204	645	351	1	0.9	12.8		3.0			
13	204	646	351	1	0.7	9.8		3.0			
14	204	647	351	1	1.0	11.8		3.0			
15	204	648	351	1	1.6			3.0			
16	204	649	351	1	0.8			3.0			
17	204	650	351	1	1.4			3.0			
18	204	651	351	1	1.3			3.0			
19	204	652	351	1	0.9	11.2		3.0			
20	204	653	351	1	1.0	12.8	0.90	3.0			
21	204	654	351	1	1.1	11.8	0.86	3.0			
22	204	655	351	1	0.4	6.6	0.85	3.0			
23	204	656	351	1	1.1	12.1	0.86	3.0			
24	204	657	351	1	1.0	12.8	0.87	3.0			
25	204	658	351	1	1.3	14.1	0.84	3.0			
26	204	659	351	1	1.5	15.4	0.85	3.0			

Run
ORGANON

Red Alder Growth Simulator- Outputs

- **Outputs (What You Get)**
 - **Tree Data: DBH, HT, CR, CFV, BFV**
 - **Stand Data: TPA, BA, QMD, HT40, RD, CFV, BFV, CFV MAI, BFV MAI, proportion of volume by log class**
 - **Stand Graphs: TPA, BA, CFV, & BFV by age**
 - **Economic Analysis: IRR & PNV**



Red Alder Growth Simulator- Outputs

- Tree Data

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	
1	AGE	Plot	Tree	Spp	DBH	HT	CR	CFVOL	BFVOL	TPA	Thin?	A
7537	40	204	826	351	6.2	72.9	0.14	6.9	0.0	1.07	0	
7538	40	204	827	351	9.7	77.9	0.22	18.1	52.1	2.85	0	
7539	40	204	828	351	7.0	74.7	0.16	9.2	13.9	1.99	0	
7540	40	204	829	351	4.7	65.4	0.13	3.6	0.0	0.04	0	
7541	40	204	830	351	7.9	74.8	0.16	11.7	25.0	2.48	0	
7542	40	204	831	351	5.8	68.9	0.14	5.9	0.0	0.72	0	
7543	40	204	832	351	5.4	67.9	0.15	5.0	0.0	0.38	0	
7544	40	204	833	351	5.5	67.9	0.14	5.2	0.0	0.44	0	
7545	40	204	834	351	5.4	67.6	0.15	5.0	0.0	0.39	0	
7546	40	204	835	351	12.7	83.2	0.29	33.2	103.0	2.94	0	
7547	40	204	836	351	10.2	82.2	0.21	21.2	62.1	2.87	0	
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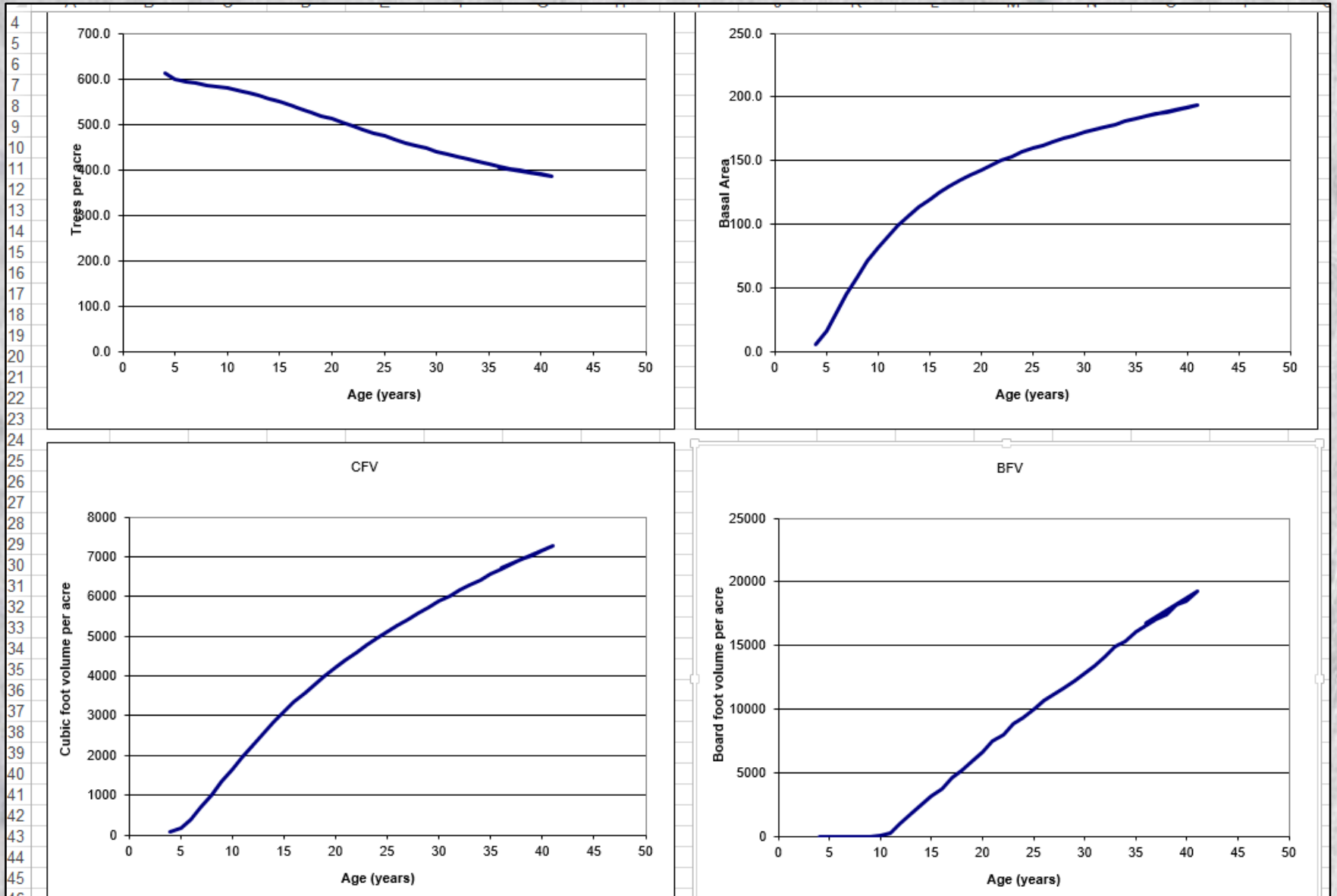
Red Alder Growth Simulator- Outputs

- Stand Data

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23	0.00	0.11	0.23	0.17	0.20	0.23	0.06	0.00	0.00	0.00
24	0.00	0.10	0.24	0.16	0.20	0.20	0.10	0.00	0.00	0.00
25	0.00	0.09	0.21	0.18	0.20	0.21	0.11	0.00	0.00	0.00
26	0.00	0.08	0.20	0.17	0.17	0.20	0.16	0.02	0.00	0.00
27	0.00	0.06	0.19	0.16	0.19	0.20	0.15	0.04	0.00	0.00
28	0.00	0.05	0.19	0.13	0.19	0.15	0.22	0.07	0.00	0.00
29	0.00	0.05	0.17	0.13	0.17	0.18	0.18	0.12	0.00	0.00
30	0.00	0.05	0.15	0.14	0.18	0.18	0.18	0.13	0.00	0.00
31	0.00	0.04	0.13	0.14	0.19	0.17	0.18	0.13	0.02	0.00
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35	0.00	0.02	0.11	0.12	0.14	0.15	0.15	0.21	0.10	0.00
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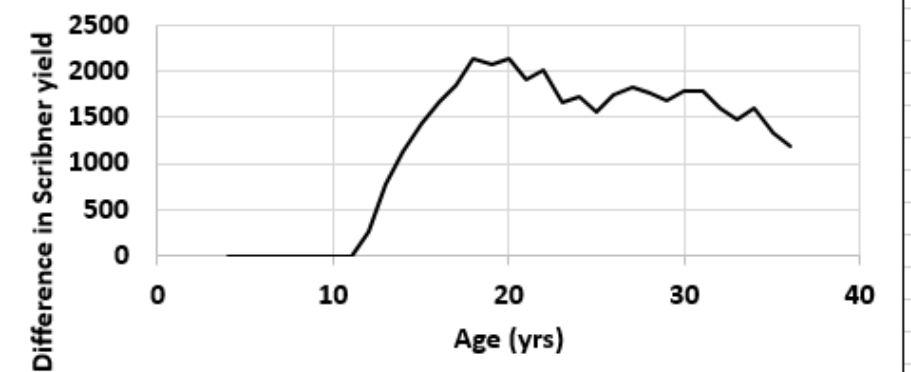
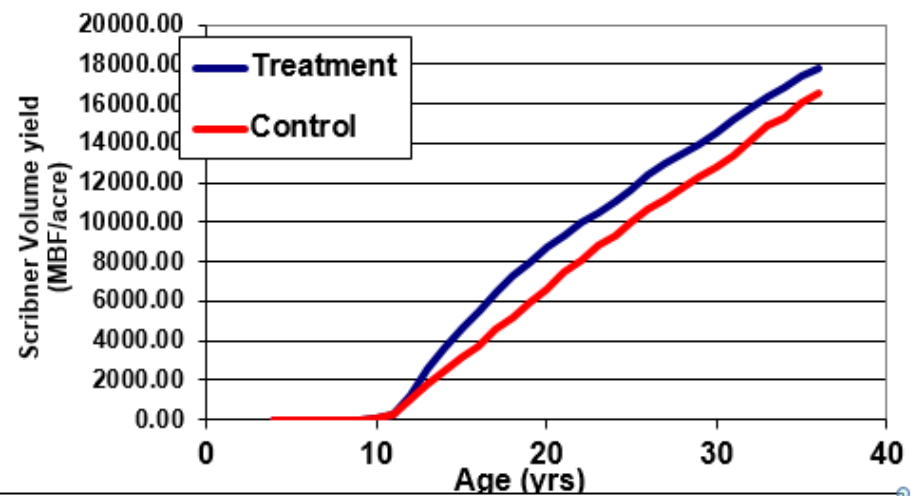
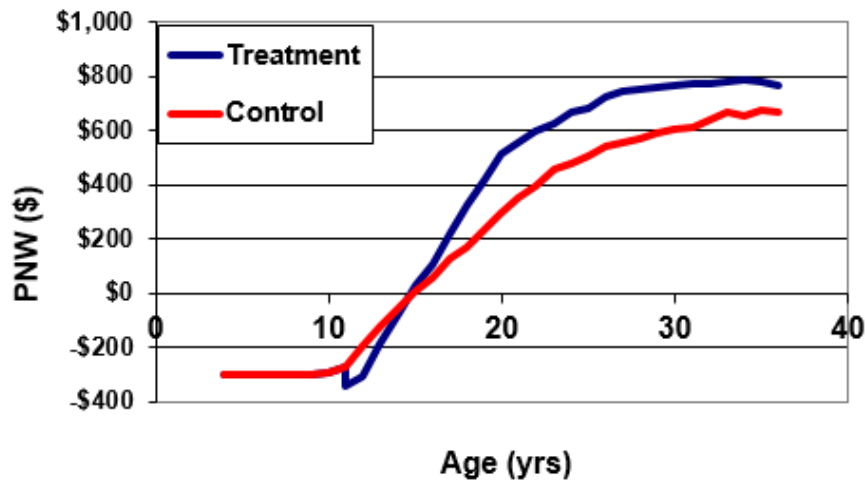
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Stand Graphs



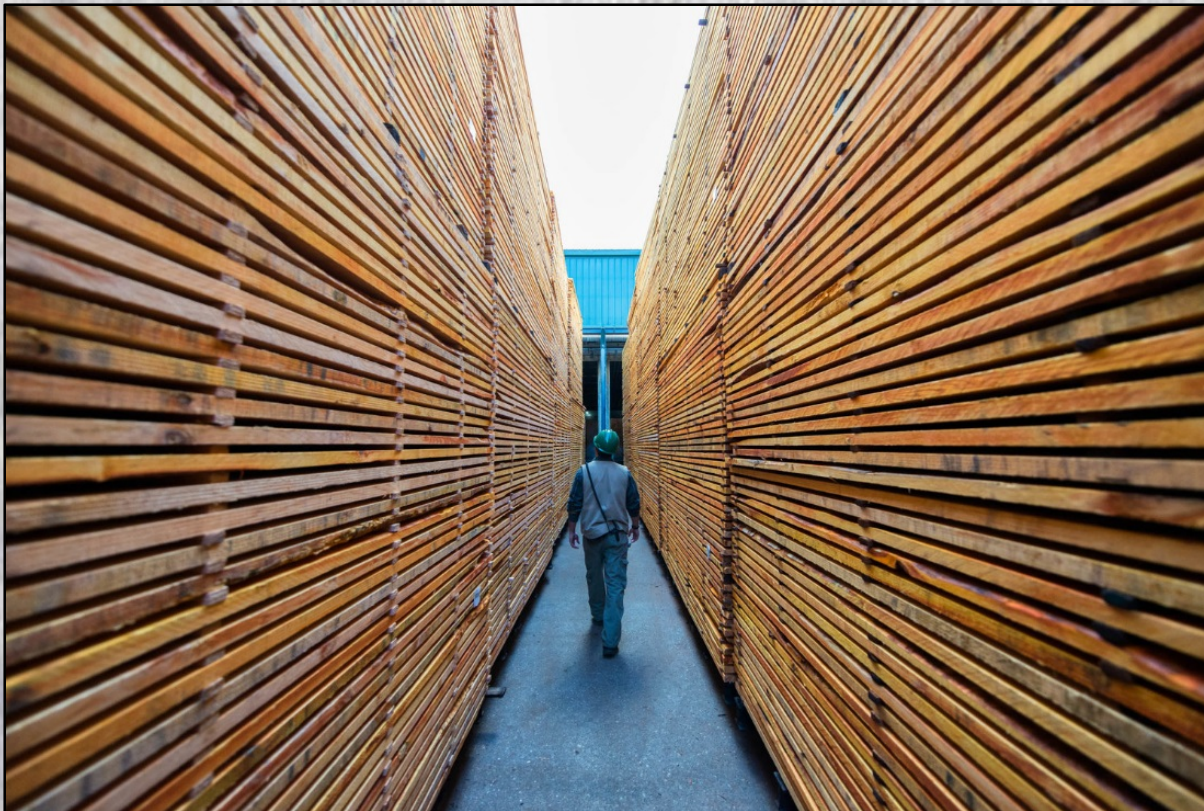
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Red Alder Growth Simulator- Improvements

- **Updated/2019 Version**
- **R code**
- **Treelist Generator**
- **Genetic Gain Multiplier?**



Red Alder Growth Simulator- Uses

- **Stand Projection**
- **Inventory Projection**
- **Testing Management Scenarios (i.e. Pre-commercial Thinning)**
 - **Should we do it?**
 - **When?**
 - **Does the initial TPA make a difference?**
 - **How much to leave?**
 - **Differences by site index?**
- **Testing Species Choice**
 - **Douglas-fir vs red alder**



Red Alder Growth Simulator- Testing PCT

	Medium Site (SI20=65ft), Planting Density=600tpa				
Scenario	Unthinned	PCT RD25, 150tpa	PCT RD25, 250tpa	PCT RD45, 150tpa	PCT RD45, 250tpa
PCT Age	NA	10	10	13	13
Harvest Yield (MBF)	9.2	9.1	9.9	9.1	9.9
Rotation Age (YRS)	29	27	27	29	28
Log Value	726	825	755	827	754
NPV (\$)	-\$61	\$168	\$109	\$63	\$59
IRR (%)	5.3%	6.1%	5.9%	5.7%	5.7%
BLV/SEV (\$)	-\$78	\$220	\$142	\$80	\$75

	High Site (SI20=75ft), Planting Density=600tpa				
Scenario	Unthinned	PCT RD25, 150tpa	PCT RD25, 250tpa	PCT RD45, 150tpa	PCT RD45, 250tpa
PCT Age	NA	6	6	10	10
Harvest Yield (MBF)	12.3	11.6	14.3	10.5	12.9
Rotation Age (YRS)	28	23	26	24	26
Log Value	761	843	807	841	796
NPV (\$)	\$395	\$895	\$863	\$633	\$660
IRR (%)	6.8%	8.4%	8.0%	7.7%	7.6%
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Red Alder Growth Simulator- Testing Species

	Red Alder					Douglas-fir
Scenario	400tpa	600tpa	600Pct	1000tpa	1000Pct	400tpa
PCT Age	NA	NA	10	NA	10	NA
Harvest Yield (MBF)	10.6	12.3	12.9	11.9	11.8	35
Rotation Age (YRS)	23	28	26	29	25	55
Log Value	682	682	682	682	682	708
NPV (\$)	\$494	\$178	\$294	\$547	\$705	\$289
IRR (%)	7.8%	6.2%	6.5%	8.3%	9.0%	6.3%
BLV/SEV (\$)	\$697	\$230	\$391	\$694	\$956	\$305

Source: 2018. Andrew Bluhm, HSC 2018 Annual Meeting Tour

Red Alder Growth Simulator- Testing Species

Scenario	Red Alder					Douglas-fir
	400tpa	600tpa	600Pct	1000tpa	1000Pct	400tpa
PCT Age	NA	NA	10	NA	10	NA
Harvest Yield (MBF)	10.6	12.3	12.9	11.9	11.8	35
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