Continuing Project

Quantifying silvicultural treatment effect on lumber quantity and quality in loblolly pine CAFS 21.88

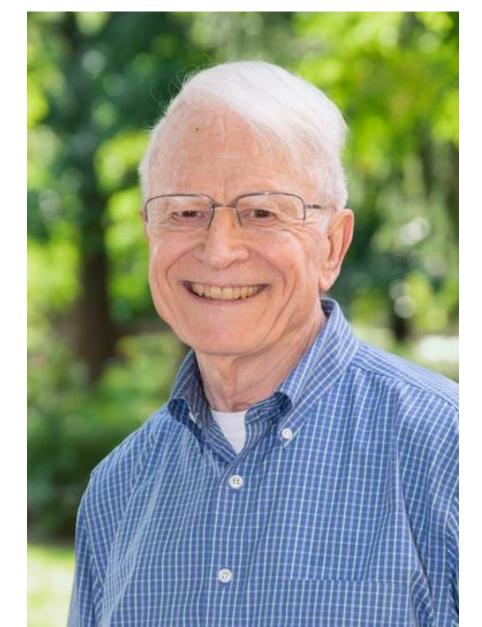
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Regionwide Intensively Managed Planation (IMP) study



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3 Treatments

A. Control

B. Light thinning

C. Heavy thinning with pruning in butt log

105 Total Trees

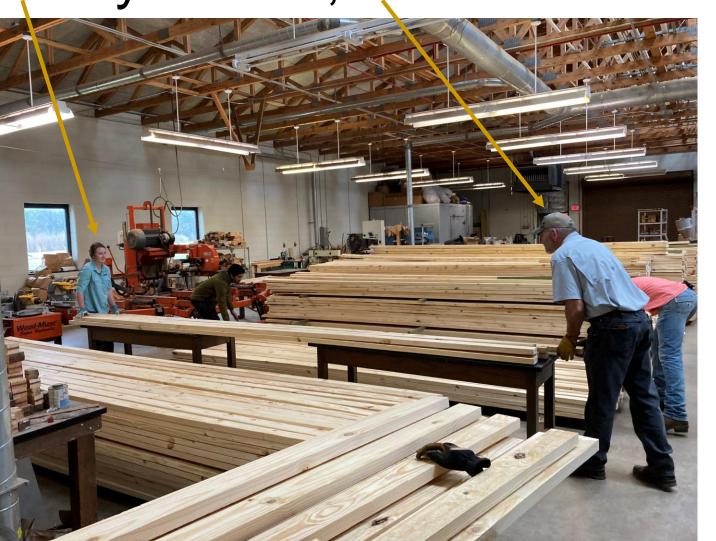
5 Stands

7 Trees/Plot





Lumber visually graded by certified SPIB graders in Athens Ashlyn West, Daniel Carroll







Lumber test span

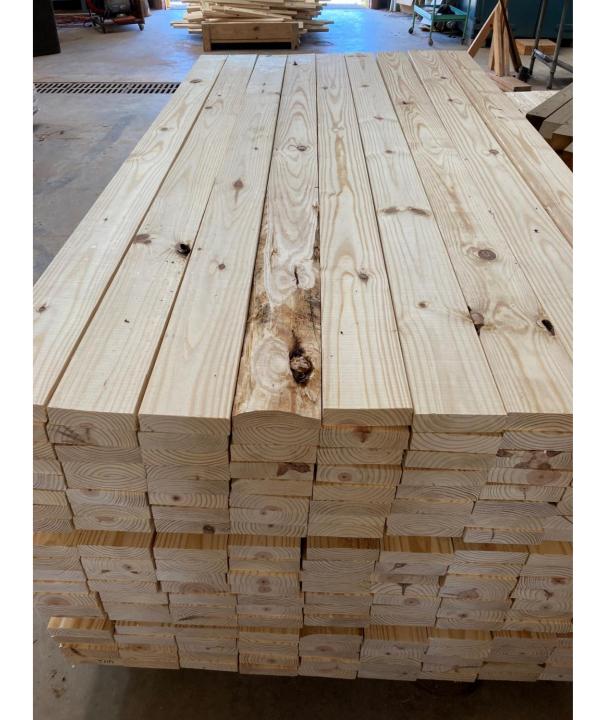
- ASTM testing standards
- Span to depth ratio of 17:1
- After trimming lumber ranges from 8' to 16'
- 2×4 span to depth = 59.5"
- 2×6 span = 93.5" Worst defect predicted and included randomly within the test span



LED



SED







Future plans

- M.S. student started in Fall
- Half done with span cutting
- Non-destructive evaluation (SG, AV, vibration)
- Imaging for knots
- Destructively test to failure (MOE & MOR)





Thank You and Questions?

- NSF CAFS
- Members of the Wood Quality Consortium, Forest Modeling Research Cooperative, and Plantation Management Research Cooperative

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