Lost Horse Creek
Private Land Near Bitterroot National Forest
Montana
2001

Mixed conifer (Ponderosa Pine and Douglas fir) stand before treatment, which included thinning to reduce the number of trees and reduce competition for the pine. Forest health was also improved by reducing the number of trees per acre and reducing the hazardous fuel build up caused by dense forest stands.

After treatment-Note less trees per acre and undergrowth, which often serves as a ladder for a ground fire to reach the tree tops.