

TABLE PURSUANT TO CT6.42# - YARDING/SKIDDING REQUIREMENTS (04/2003)

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CUTTING UNITS

Ground-based

Yarding/skidding equipment will be restricted to designated trails. Equipment backing off of trails will not be permitted unless otherwise agreed to in writing.

Units designated "CTL" on Sale Area Map

Yarding/skidding equipment will not be allowed within "No Cut" sensitive areas, ie. wetlands, riparian areas, stream courses, etc. except at approved crossings or as otherwise agreed to in writing.

Units designated "CTL" on Sale Area Map

Skid trails will be flagged and approved in advance of falling operations. Except where converging, skid trails will be spaced no closer than 130 feet for Tractor and 40 feet outside track edge for Cut-to-Length unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Trails will not exceed 12 feet in width over 90 percent of the length of the trail when skidding operations are completed. The forwarder may only operate on FS approved designated trails. Log landings and transfer points shall be limited to existing roads and turnouts, unless otherwise agreed to in writing.

Units designated "CTL" on Sale Area Map

Included Timber on slopes less than 40 percent shall be carried free of the ground by a Log Forwarder as 20 foot or shorter logs. Stumps shall not be grubbed from forwarder roads except for portions requiring excavation for safety. All excavation, and any supplemental skidding of Included Timber shall be flagged and preapproved in writing prior to commencing such activity.

Payment Units designated "CTL" on the Sale Area Map

Where available 10" of slash (before compaction) will be placed on the forwarder trail by the processor before logs are transported.

Payment Units designated "CTL" on the Sale Area Map

For winter operations there will be a combination of snowpack (after one pass, compacted snow minimum of 8 inches deep) and/or frozen ground (minimum of 8 inches deep) or combination which is sufficient to provide soil protection.

Payment Units designated "CTL" on the Sale Area Map

Slash and other operation created debris will be used to discourage OHV use of skidder or forwarder trails at end of use.

Units designated "CTL" on Sale Area Map

Intermediate stream crossing will be required to access area with no road access. The area and type of structure shall be approved by the Forest Service before construction and use and agreed to in writing.

Units 56, 58 and 59

Skyline

Except when lateral yarding to corridors and within 50 feet of the landing and tailholds, the yarding system must keep one end of the logs suspended free of the ground during inhaul unless otherwise agreed to in writing. Intermediate supports may be needed.

Units designated "S" on Sale Area Map

Skyline corridors will be flagged and approved for use prior to falling operations. Corridors will initially be made as narrow as practical to allow free passage of a turn of logs and carriage. Upon completion, corridors will not exceed 12 feet in width. Rub trees may be required to minimize corridor widths.

Units designated "S" on Sale Area Map

Skyline corridors will be no closer than 50 feet center-to-center at a point one-half way to the tailhold where radian corridors are approved, and 100 feet center-to-center where parallel corridors are used.

Units designated "S" on Sale Area Map

No more than three corridors shall radiate from single landing unless otherwise agreed to in writing.

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The carriage must provide a means of mechanically pulling slack for a minimum of 50 feet laterally, and be capable of maintaining a fixed position on the skyline during lateral yarding to the corridor. Inhaul to the landing will not begin until lateral yarding to the corridor is completed and the log turn is at the carriage.

Units designated "S" on Sale Area Map

Helicopter

Helicopter landings have been proposed for all units. Landings, including those proposed, must be approved by the Forest Service prior to any clearing, leveling or use.

Units designated "H" on Sale Area Map

All rigging, logs, etc. slung from the helicopter during in or out haul shall clear the tops of residual trees, so as to not cause damage to live, green crowns. Logs will not be choked end-to-end, nor will logs longer than 41 feet be yarded.

Units designated "H" on Sale Area Map