



The use of piling rakes on woodlots

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The raking of debris originated as an agricultural technique in silviculture, the prime objective of this treatment is to push debris into piles to facilitate subsequent regeneration practices. Raking has a lower productivity than most site preparation treatments because of alternate backing up and then pushing forward motions. Nevertheless, the simplicity of rakes, their low cost, and the ability to use a variety of prime movers makes raking a suitable technique for small-scale, site preparation operations. This report reviews numerous skidder-mounted piling rakes and their use on woodlots.

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