



ASSOCIATION FOR SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY
SILVICULTURE CRITERIA

MANUAL EARLY COMPETITION CONTROL

“A treatment to free selected planted or natural trees from competition of surrounding or overtopping trees, and to favor the trees of better species and quality.”

To be eligible for funding, the site must conform to the following criteria **prior to treatment**:

Stocking of <i>Natural/Planted SW and HW</i> Crop Trees	>80% for natural stands and >85% for planted stands (at 2.4 x 2.4 m spacing)
Density of trees	>1500 SW and/or HW trees/ha

To be eligible for funding, the submitted area must conform to the following criteria:

Stocking of <i>Natural/Planted SW and HW</i> Crop Trees	>80% for natural stands and >85% for planted stands (at 2.4 x 2.4 m spacing)
Density of trees	A total of >1500 trees/ha must be released, of which > 900 planted trees/ ha must be released on planted sites.

Evidence of manual treatment over the entire site is required.

Rate: \$400/ha

Note: Treatment area must retain post-treatment criteria for a period of at least 18 months.