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Integrating Wildlife Considerations into Forestry Operations

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Pine Stand Management

Pine stands. The backbone of southeastern forestry, but can it also be the backbone of wildlife management in the south? I believe so. More wildlife habitat can be created in pine stands and the associated reforestation techniques than any other habitat type. Those reading the last article in this series may

have noted the editorial snafu on the open, burned pine stand picture with the caption saying how bad this habitat type is for the landowner and wildlife habitat. This could not be farther from the truth! Well managed pine stands can provide the epitome of true wildlife habitat management while providing good, periodic income for the landowner.



Thin, open, mature and burned pineywoods epitomize wildlife habitat but may not provide optimal timber income potential.

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