Forestry Futures Trust Silviculture Program Overview

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Silviculture Program

- Established in 1995
- Funding:
 - ~ 670 projects
 - >\$200 M
- Two rounds of proposals annually:
 - Winter
 - Fall
- Advertised on the FFTC website and by e-mail

Silviculture Program

- Project Duration: 1 3 years
- Funding:
 - 5-yr average: \$230,000
 - Range: \$1,700 \$5.6M
- Round 44 just finished:
 - 10 approved projects
 - \$45,000 \$876,000

Project Eligibility Categories & Criteria



Category 1: Intensive Stand Management



Category 2: Remediation



Category 3: Pest Control



Category 4: Insolvency

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Category 1 Intensive Stand Management

- Critical future timber supply problem
 - Stand improvement in tolerant hardwoods
 - Stand improvement in white pine stands
 - Spacing (thinning)

Category 2 Remediation

- Rehabilitation of stands after natural disturbances
 - Site preparation
 - Seedling production and planting
 - Seeding
 - Tending
 - Spacing
 - Supervision
 - Monitoring

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Category 3 Pest Control

- Priority for funding is for post-infestation treatments to re-establish productive forests
 - Site preparation
 - Crop production & planting
 - Seeding
 - Post-establishment vegetation control
 - Limited pesticide for targeted areas (e.g. seed orchards)
 - Pre-outbreak surveys

Category 4 Insolvency

- Funds to assist in addressing silvicultural liabilities on public lands
- Returned to the Crown or SFL holder due to insolvency of the licensee
- Eligible activities defined by agreement between FFTC and MNRF

Evaluation Criteria

- Site productivity/operability
- Ease of transport to processing facility

Project Effectiveness Evaluation of cost effectiveness

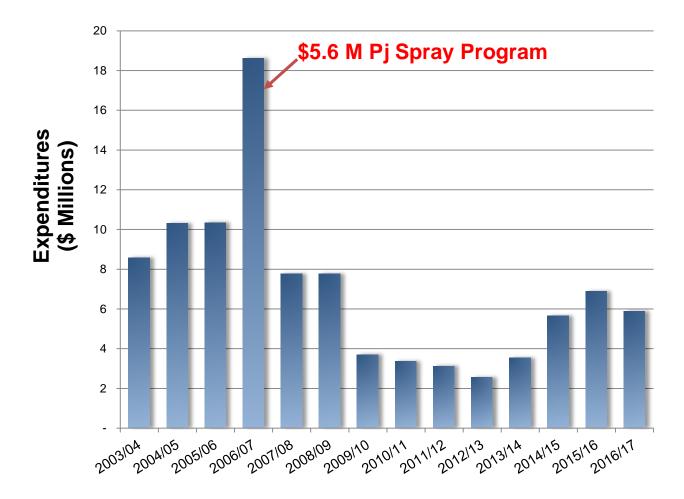
Past performance **Cost Sharing**

Cat 1 - min 20% Cat 2 - min 10%

Future Wood Supply Availability

Alternate Funding Sources

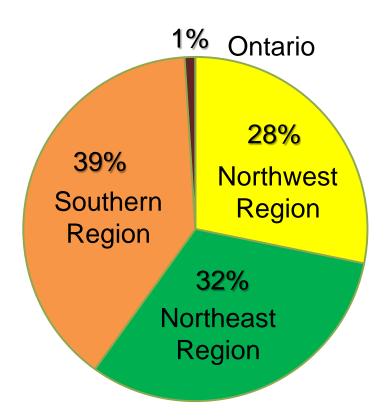
Silviculture Program: \$ Trends



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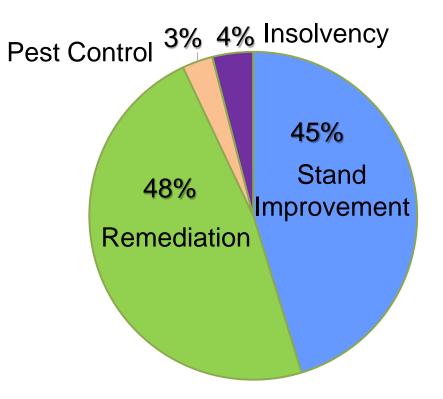
Recent Trends

Distribution of Approved Silviculture Funding By Region (2006 – 2017)

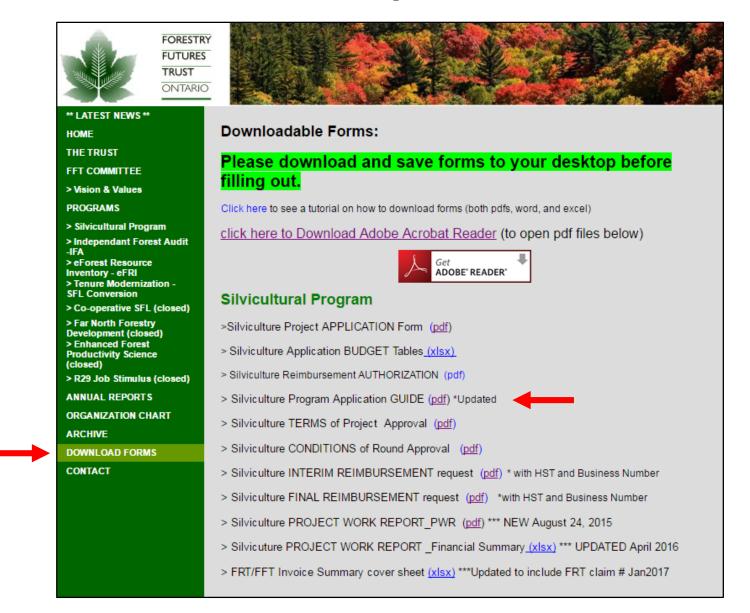


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