

"Soft" Screens

- Small "unofficial" unroaded areas (consider non-permanent roads or equipment)
- <150 year age (different definition of old growth) regional/local definition needed
- Adjust for site condition
- Meet the needs of late-successional species (may not be captured by 150 year break for old growth)
- May include non-permanent easements by agreement with private landowners
- New roads/no new roads, if road is ripped, how will stand treatments be maintained?
- Skid roads to be decommissioned
- Ability to maintain treatment
- Different methods of getting in/out of woods – low impact, small contracts
- Economic benefit, economics not a "driver" but a factor in bundling contracts
- [Alter approach to stewardship like the Forest Service]
- Viewable to public (especially first demonstration project)
- Timeframe to accomplish Pilot (watershed)
- Expandable to larger landscape
- Cover some of most restoration needs in 1st phase
- Good cross of conditions representative of the MA
- Mix multiple methods of logging
- Address/treat around values at risk, i.e. fire plans and communicate with public
- Provision to limit unwanted land uses
- Explore alternative helicopter uses/tests
- Need time to process "cook"
- Can be implemented/awarded by September 30th, and maybe earlier for stewardship contracts