



Silviculture: Managing for complexity

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Silviculture is going through significant changes in most parts of North America. Increased concerns about the maintenance of biodiversity leads to the focus of forest management being shifted from timber production to a wider range of ecological objectives especially on public lands. This session covers research that addresses silvicultural challenges in accommodating these new demands. Hereby the session has a special focus on complex stand structures and the impact and utilization of within-stand variability in silvicultural prescriptions. The speakers were selected to cover a wide range of ecological conditions and silvicultural practices.