

Cherokee National Forest Landscape Restoration Initiative

Paint Creek Watershed Team

Site Assessment Survey

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| Site Number (date and chronological order) | 6.13.12 Site 1 |
| FS Veg Compartment and Stand Number | Viking Mountain Road |
| Approximate Elevation | 2700 |
| Slope | Gentle slope |
| Aspect | North West |
| What is the current Ecological system present at the site? | Cove tending toward Oak |
| What does FS Veg say is the current Forest Type? | |
| What did Steve Simon's model predict would be at the site? | White Oak/Chestnut Oak |
| Is the site in a desired condition? Could it be improved? What S-Class or System would we like to move it toward? | Mid-Open Condition |
| What treatment options could be used to do that? How many entries? | Remove Poplar and Red Maple |
| How many of those treatments could be done commercially? | Commercial Thinning |
| Would there be a need for additional funding to complete treatments at this site? | Unknown |
| Does this site provide an opportunity to demonstrate a restoration treatment or condition that is better than other locations in the watershed? On the north end of the Forest? | Were the stand larger, it would be a good opportunity for creation of Mid-Open condition in Cove system. Potential for public outreach due to proximity to the well traveled road. |
| Additional Comments/Discussion Points or unanswered questions. | Stand is very small and adjacent to private property. Not big enough. Might be a location for demonstration of ideal conditions for working in a cove system. |

