Coarse Woody Debris Management

A coarse woody debris management guide for logs, stumps, and large limbs left in a woodland. It helps owners decide what to keep for habitat and what to remove for safety.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Identify existing logs and stumps
2. Note species and decay stage
3. Check for wildlife use
4. Decide what to retain
5. Position logs away from stream channels
6. Remove debris near buildings
7. Leave debris after harvest
8. Record amounts retained
9. Review in annual walk

YOUR NOTES

TIP Leave plenty of logs on the ground away from structures, since they feed soil life and shelter wildlife.

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