



Best Management Practices for Aerial Application over Timberland

We care about our neighbors, our community and our environment. We pledge to use the following best management practices to ensure the safe and accurate use of aerial application to improve the health of young trees, prevent the spread of noxious weeds and maintain roads for safety.

1. Use only products registered for use for aerial application over timberland.
2. Select products best suited to the specific site.
3. Ensure applicator is current on educations, training and licensing requirements.
4. Identify and map buffers around water. Use GPS to track all applications. The GPS screen in the helicopter will “paint” the unit as the application progresses. It is illegal for forest herbicides to come in contact with water.
5. Before spraying, check temperature, wind speed, relative humidity and potential for rain. Do not spray under adverse weather conditions.
6. If the label includes a warning about leaching, check soil types and consider using a different product.
7. Follow all label directions including: rate, boom length, nozzle orientation, droplet size, wind speed, temperature, and humidity restrictions.
8. Fly at the appropriate height for safety and most accurate deposition.
9. Spray the perimeter and any sensitive sites first. Then spray parallel along buffers.
10. The pilot and ground crew will keep in touch via radio. If either the pilot or ground crew see something amiss or have a question, they will communicate with each other.
11. Have procedures in place to halt operation if a neighbor or non-employee is spotted in or around project area until the person is contacted, and the area is cleared.