

Nurseries and the Worker Protection Standard -- A Discussion

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ABSTRACT - When deliberations began in 1988 regarding the Worker Protection Standard (WPS), there was little doubt that forest nurseries and greenhouses would be included. However, when the proposed Standard included operational forestry, most of the forestry types that screamed did so in terms of the operational forestry inclusion. We thought, if we had any chance at all, it was to reduce the Standard's impact on operational forestry. We even contended that nursery operations were far more akin to traditional agriculture and, therefore, there was some justification for their inclusion, but we failed to see the need for covering site preparation, release and herbaceous operational programs.
