# A Breeding Plan for Ponderosa Pine (*Pinus ponderosa*)

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# Py Genetic Structure

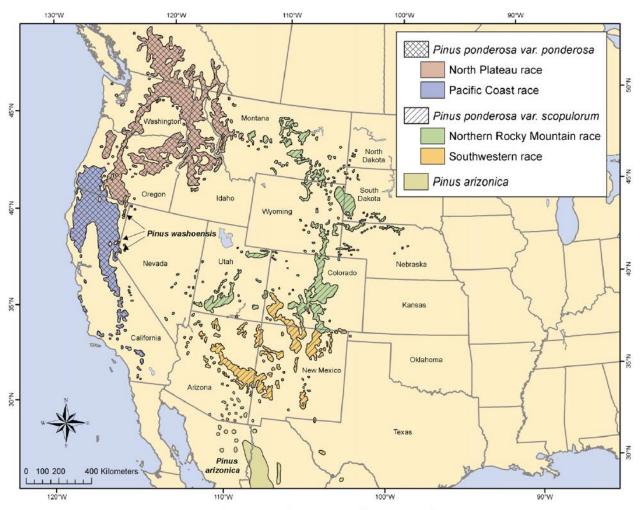
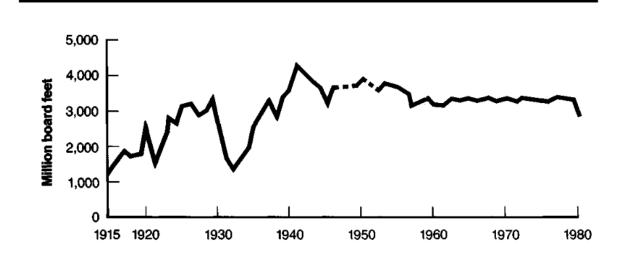


Fig. 1. Geographical distributions of *Pinus ponderosa* var. *ponderosa* and *P. ponderosa* var. *scopulorum* and of the two races described within each variety, in addition to the locations of *P. washoensis* and *P. arizonica*. Boundaries between races are approximate.



## **Economic Importance**

- 11 million hectares of Py in the United States
- > 1 billion m<sup>3</sup> of timber
- 9.4 million m<sup>3</sup> harvested in 1941





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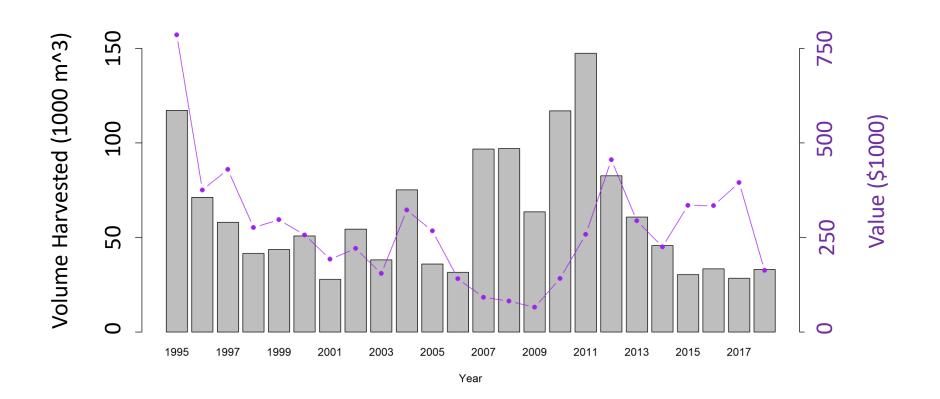


Edward Hines Lumber Co. operations in Malheur National Forest, Grant County, Oregon Photo: Russell Lee, 1942



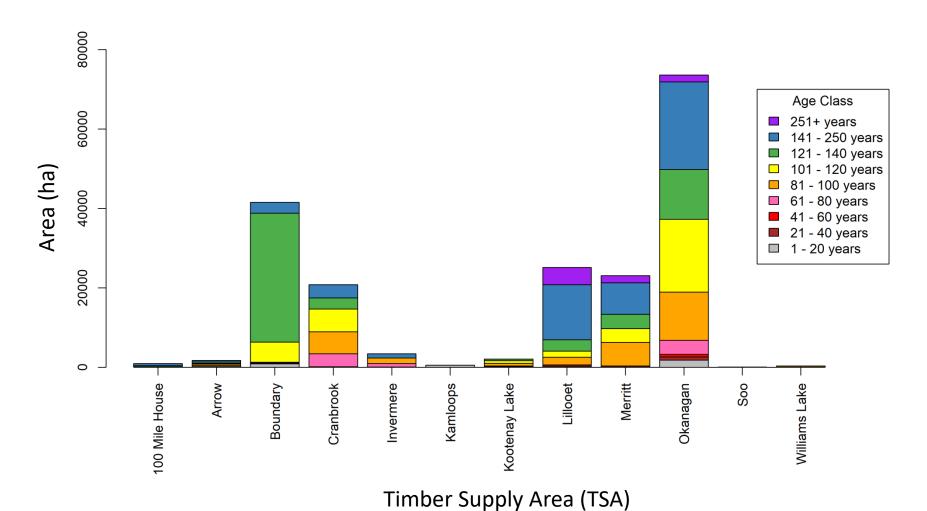
# **Economic Importance**

- 0.2 million hectares of Py in British Columbia
- 13.6 million m<sup>3</sup> of timber volume

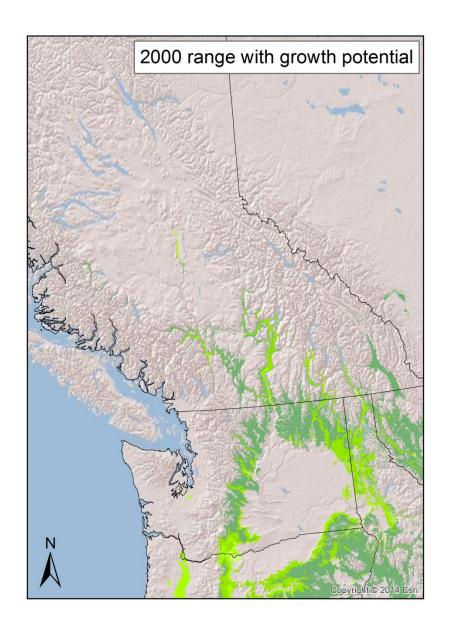


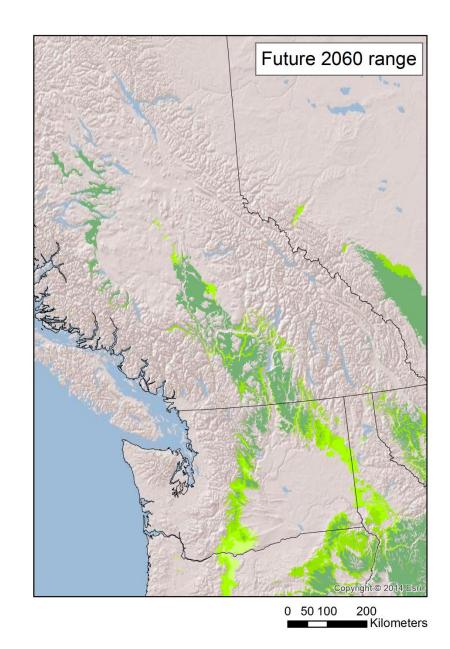


# **BC** Inventory

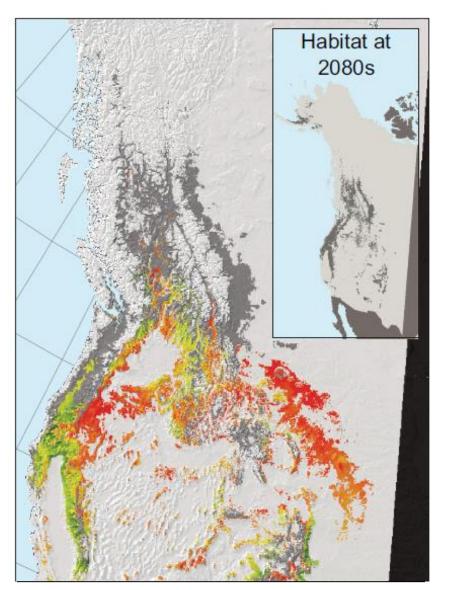


#### Climate niche data from Rehfeldt et al. 2014

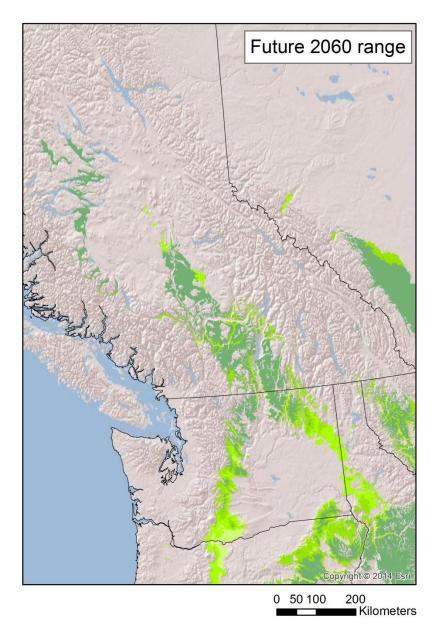




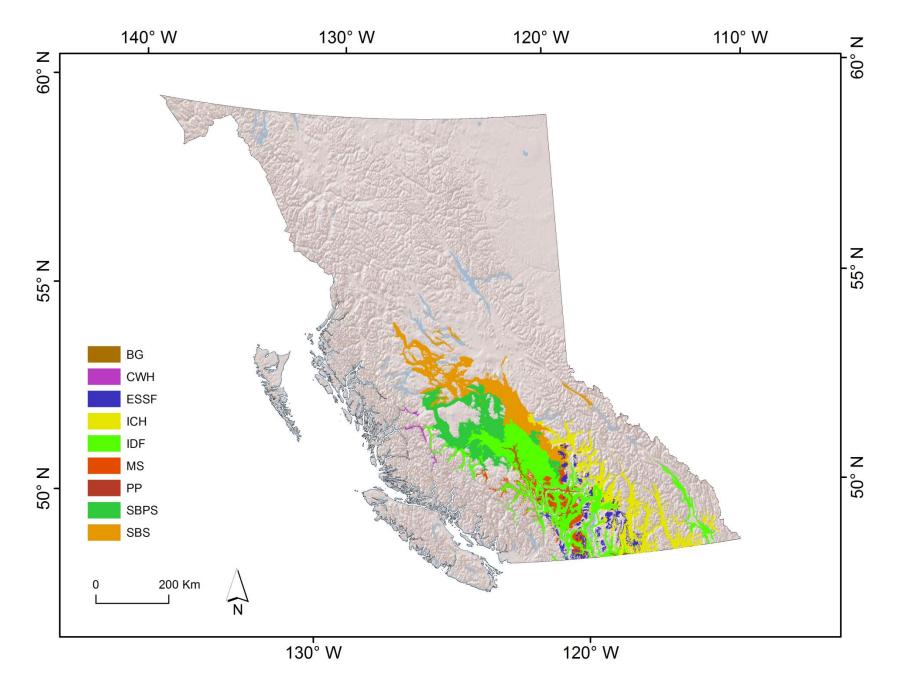
#### Roberts and Hamann, 2016



#### Rehfeldt et al. 2014

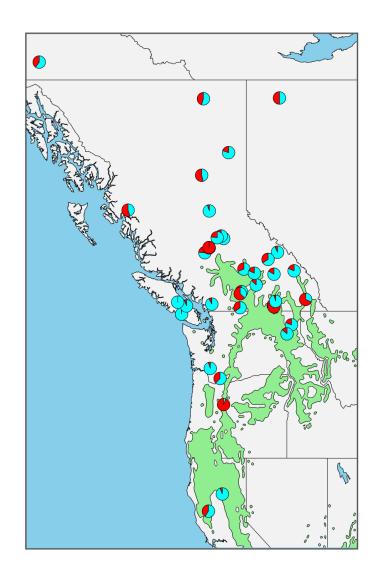


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# Py Survival in the AMAT (blue)



# Research Proposal

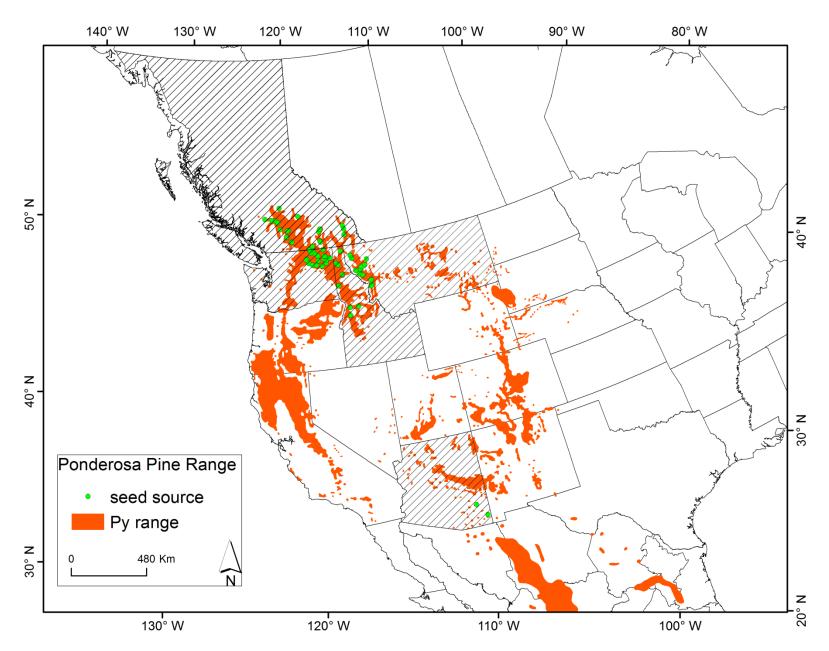


Willamette Valley seed orchard, 11 years from seed (Weyerhaeuser)

Photo credit: Robert L. McNitt

#### **Provenance Trials**

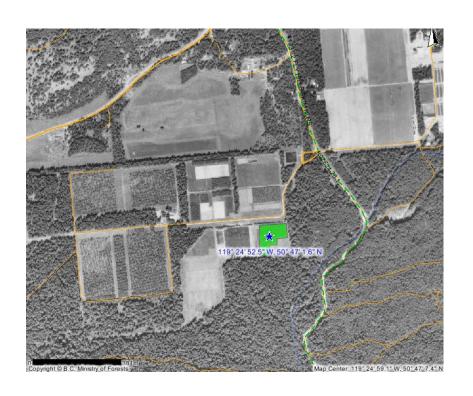
- 1992: three test sites planted by M. Carlson
- Skimikin test site
  - IDFmw2 near Salmon Arm
  - 32 individuals per provenance (8 reps)
- Grandview test site
  - IDFxh1 near Vernon
  - 56 individuals per provenance (14 reps)
- Vernon Commonage site destroyed by cattle



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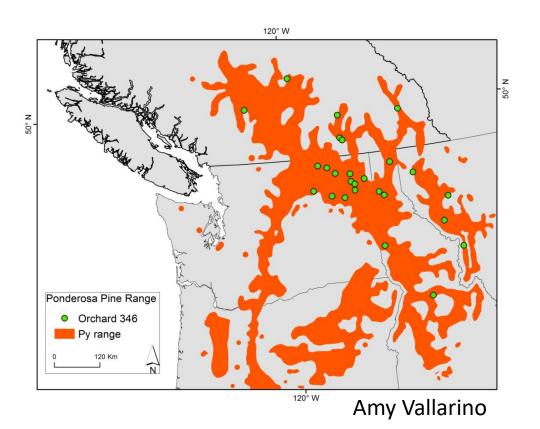
#### Seed Orchard Establishment

- 1999: Index of selection calculated by C.-Y. Xie
- 2000: Skimikin site thinned to 458 trees (20%)
  - 69/73 provenances retained
  - Mean 6 individuals per provenance
  - Unfortunately the orchard failed to produce seed, even with GA



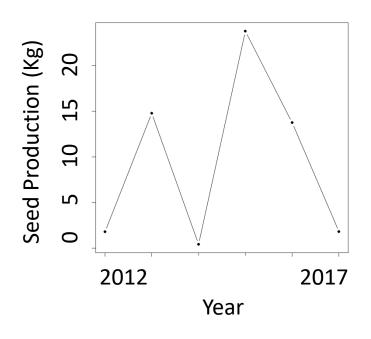
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- 2005: N. Ukrainetz calculated BVs using HT8
- Scion for 39 selections collected at Skimikin



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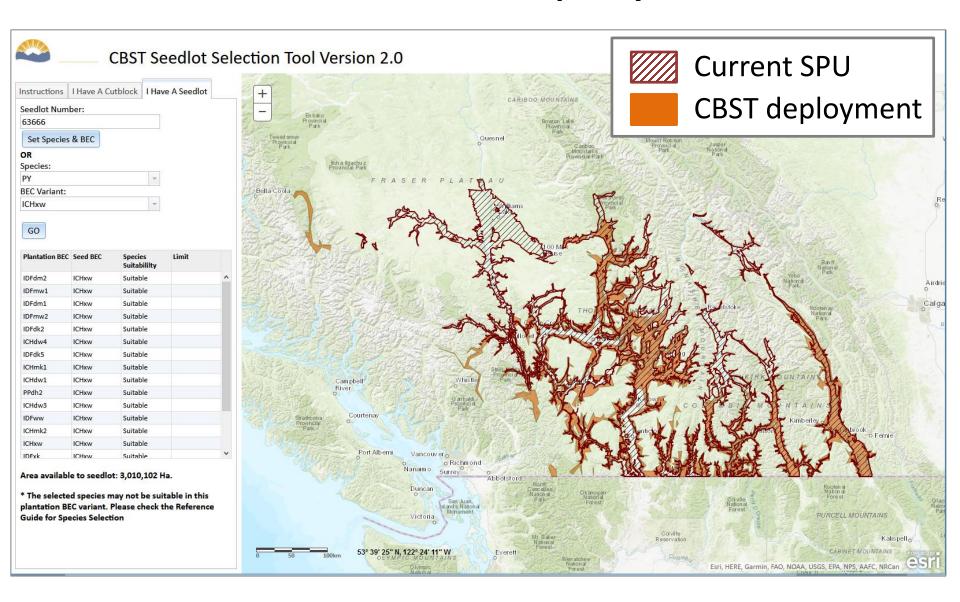
- 2006: Bailey Orchard 346 established
- 27 provenances (mean 1.4 ind. per prov.)





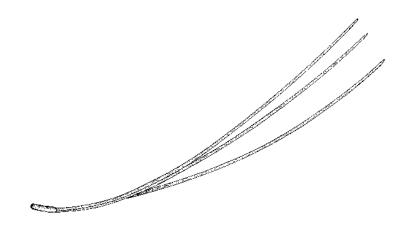
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# Orchard 346 Deployment



# **Moving Forward**

- Collect seed & scion
  - BC plus trees
  - USDA Forest Service
- Assess drought tolerance for families collected from parents at Bailey



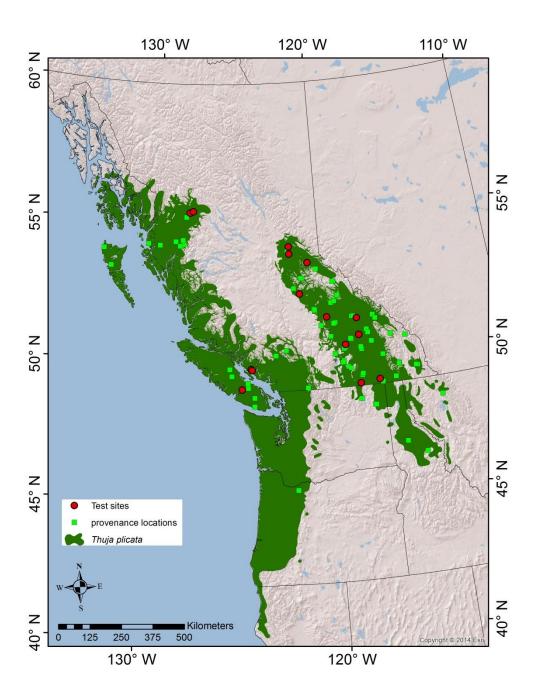
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# A Breeding Plan for Interior Cw (*Thuja plicata*)









### Cwi Provenance Tests



#### Barnes Creek Clonebank

- 60 provenances
- Approx. 10 parents per provenance
  - 516 parents
  - 1 4 copies each
- Collect OP seed
- Apply GA?



# Questions?

