## FIA SEEDLING PERSPECTIVE

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### **Some Observations**

- ☐ Inability to estimate future cash flows with certainty is the basic cause of risk in an investment
  - Increase in genetic certainty facilitates more predictable cash flows
- Advanced seedling deployment leverages the resources made available through management regime
- Bigger trees grow faster on all sites across all treatments
  - Function of spacing and genetics
- In most situations the more intensive regime provides significantly higher NPV
  - My job is to maximize NPV for our clients
  - He who can pay the most (in a bid situation), wins



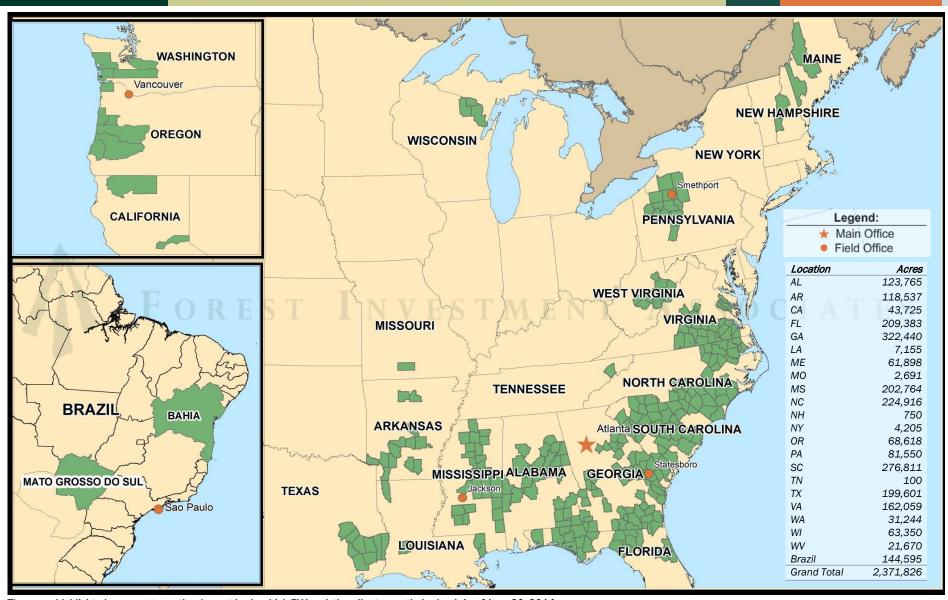
### **More Observations**

- The more intensive the management the more it favors loblolly pine
- Markets determine density
  - Total yield versus higher product classes
- ☐ Biological growth is the largest component of returns from a timberland investment
  - We have the most control over this component



### Forest Investment Associates' Client Portfolio

2,371,826 Acres Under Management







# FIA seedling numbers

- ☐ In 2014 we planted 15.5 million seedlings
  - 85.5% OP and 14.5% MCP
- ☐ In 2015 we plan to plant 21.2 million seedlings
  - 87% OP, 12.5% MCP and 0.5% varietal

# **Summary**

- ☐ The TIMO business is appraisal based.
  - Incorporating advanced genetics into G&Y
- As more transactions with significant percentages of MCPs and varietals take place, and appraisers account for the increased value of the advanced genetics, the more widely they will be deployed.

