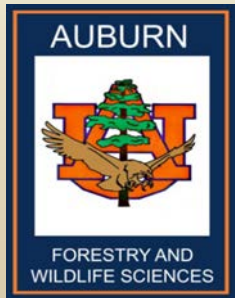


Update of Herbicide Trials

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Studies installed in 2015

All studies designed to test herbicidal effectiveness
and seedling tolerance

- Marengo®
- container trial
 - bareroot trial
 - directed spray trial

- Pendulum® AquaCap™
- container trial
 - bareroot trial
 - hardwood trial
 - soil type trial

Marengo[®] container trial

- follow-up to first Marengo[®] container trial in 2014
- installed at 3 nurseries on 4 species in 2 container types



Marengo® bareroot trial

- follow-up to 2013 bareroot trial in 1 nursery
- installed at 4 nurseries on 3 species



Marengo[®] directed spray trial

- further development of 2 trials for morning glory control in hardwood (broadcast spray applications)
- installed at East Tennessee Nursery (TN DOF)

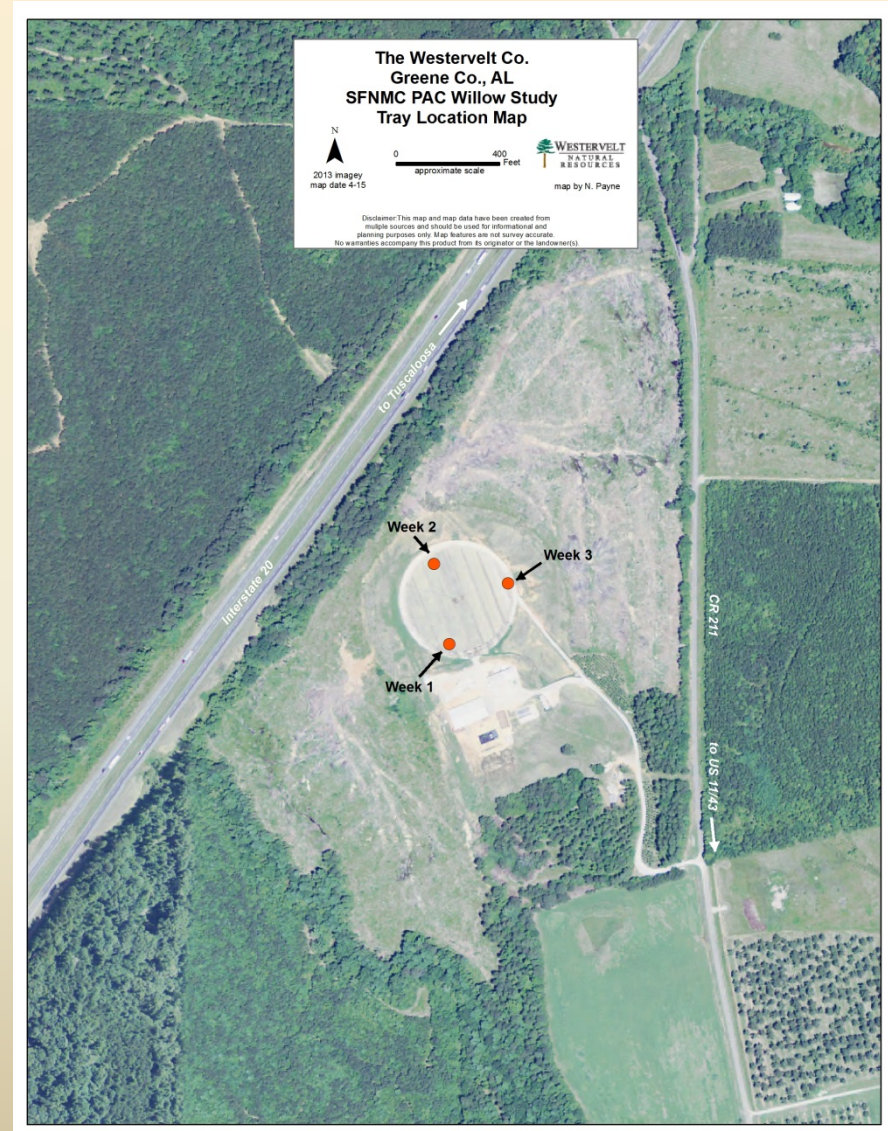
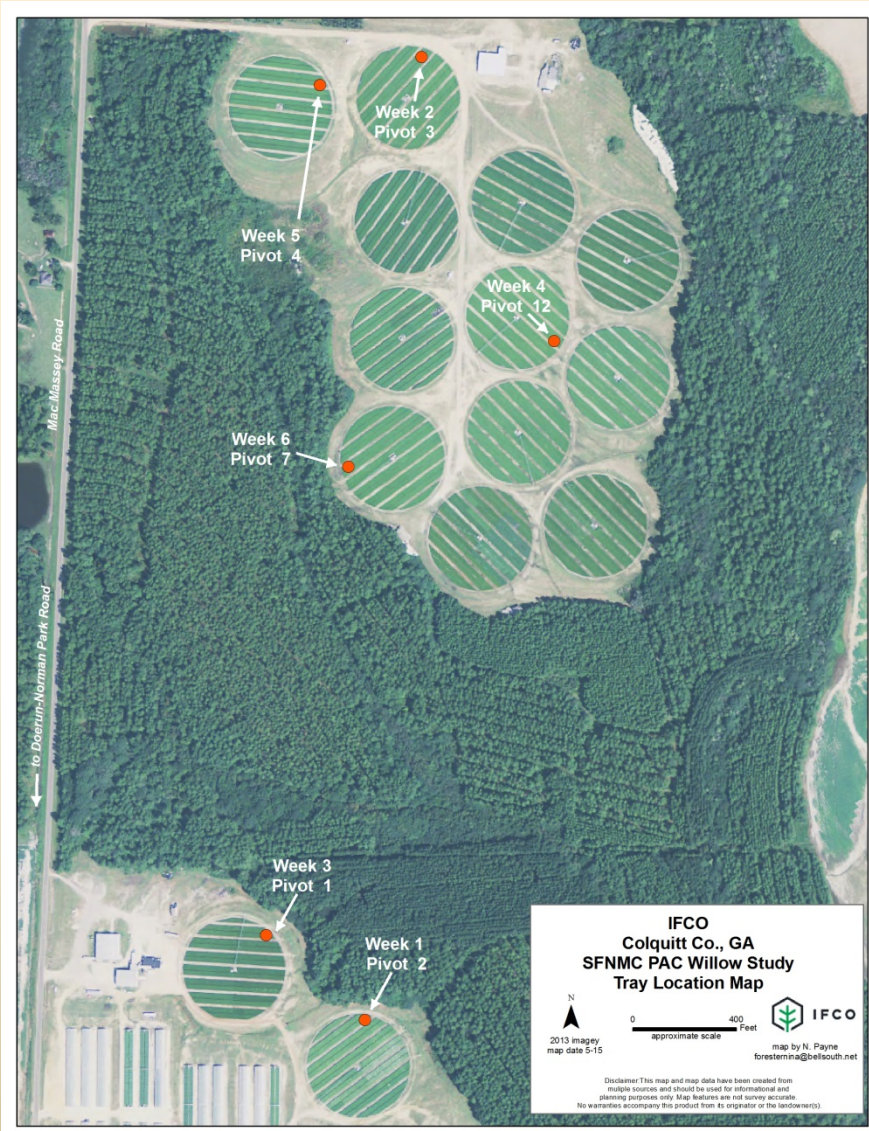


Pendulum® AquaCap™ container trial

- to test herbicidal effectiveness in containers for willow control
- PAC controls weeds in bareroot nurseries with no detrimental effect to pine when sprayed at sowing (11 Research Reports)
- PAC not tested in containers with organic matter by SFNMC
- installed at 2 nurseries on 2 species



- sprays made weekly for up to 6 weeks (on newly-sown trays each week) in order to coordinate herbicide application with pine sowing and willow seed dispersal



Pendulum[®] AquaCap[™] bareroot trial

- follow-up to PAC bareroot trials
- installed at 1 nursery on 2 species



Pendulum® AquaCap™ hardwood trial

- further development of studies of PAC on hardwood and on small-seeded species
- installed at 1 nursery on 1 species (buttonbush)



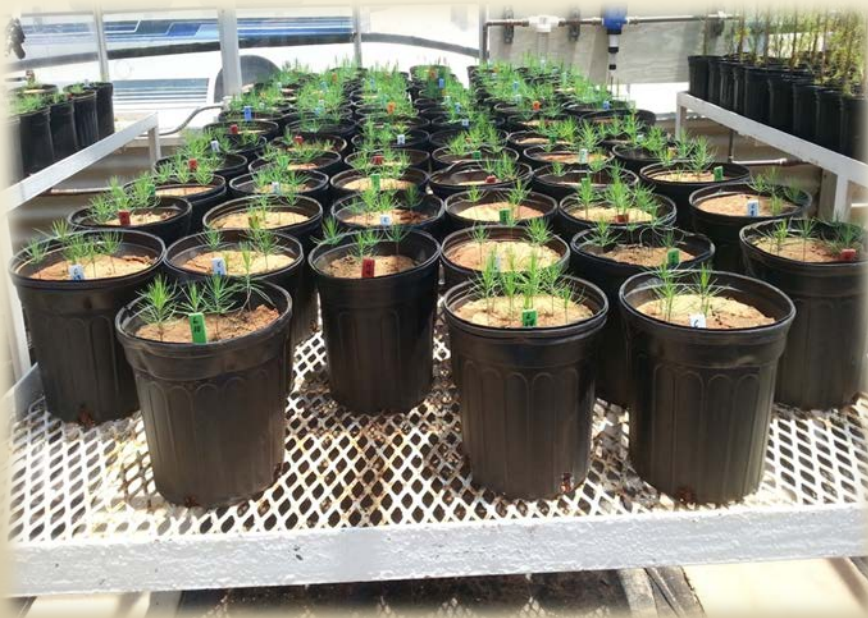
Pendulum® AquaCap™ soil type trial

- installed in SFNMC greenhouse

- objective of the study -

To determine the effect of soil type on herbicide gall formation when temperature variable is removed

- one species sown in 2 soil types, sprayed with PAC at 6 weeks post-sowing to induce herbicide gall formation



Status of studies installed in 2015



Currently in evaluation
and seedling collection
stage for 7 studies
located in 13 installations

Data to be analyzed,
research reports made
available to members



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**Planning for studies to be installed
in 2016**

1. Repeat Pendulum[®] AquaCap[™] container trial:

- in response to insufficient weed (willow) pressure this year
- to acquire second year of information on pine seedling tolerance to applications of PAC in container media
- weekly PAC applications will be made during the sowing season to coincide with willow seed dispersal

2. Continue directed spray trials:

- to continue testing the ability of herbicides to control broadleaf weeds (primarily morning glory) when applied as directed spray
- in hardwood nurseries
- to be installed as equipment is available from member nurseries

3. Herbicide-treated seedling survival studies:

- to compare survivability of herbicide treated to non-treated seedlings
- using seedlings from Marengo® and Pendulum® AquaCap™ container trials at Westervelt (AL) nursery this year
- operationally planted and monitored for one year for survival

4. Trials of three untested active ingredients:

- in response to member nurseries' identified weed problems (broadleaf weeds, grasses, sedges)
- active ingredients identified by AU Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences faculty as potential control agents include *penoxsulam*, *florasulam*, and *trifloxysulfuron*
- have not yet been tested by SFNMC
- multiple nurseries with various soil types are needed
- herbicidal effectiveness and pine seedling tolerance will be evaluated

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