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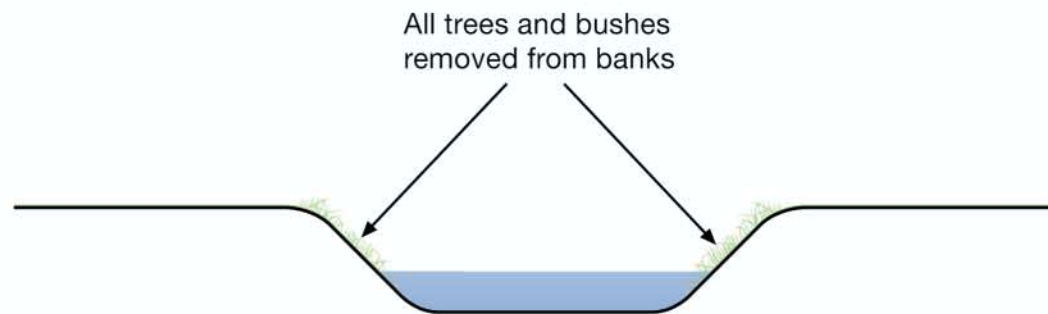
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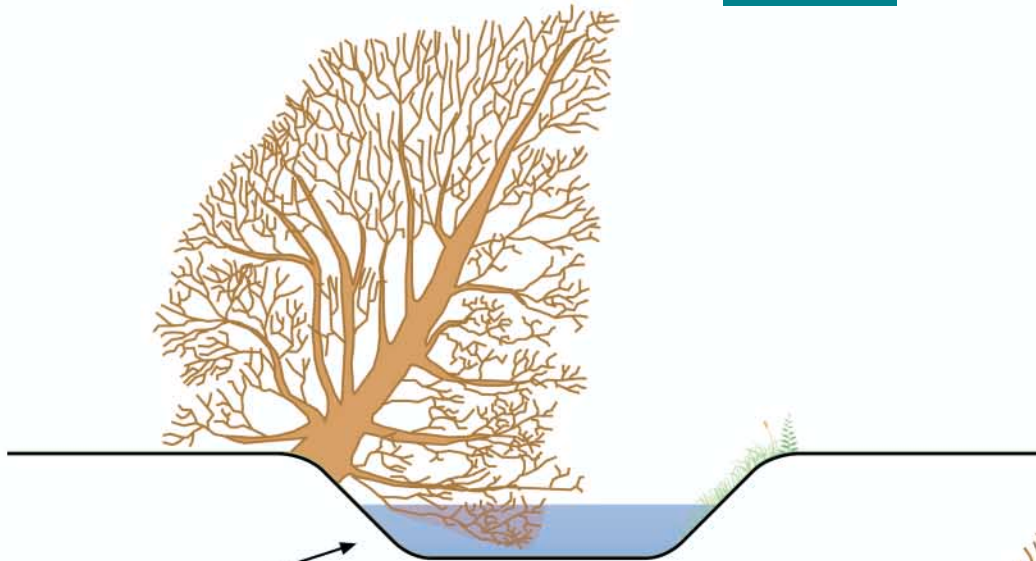
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Use only where risk / limited capacity dictates. Look to enhance

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Tree and Bush Management

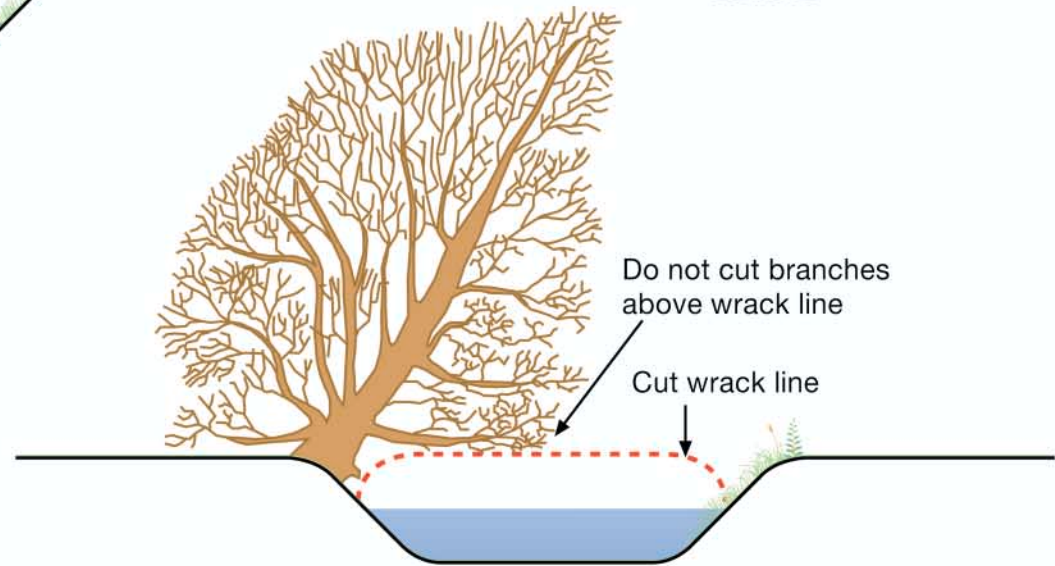


Accumulated wrack caught on low branches

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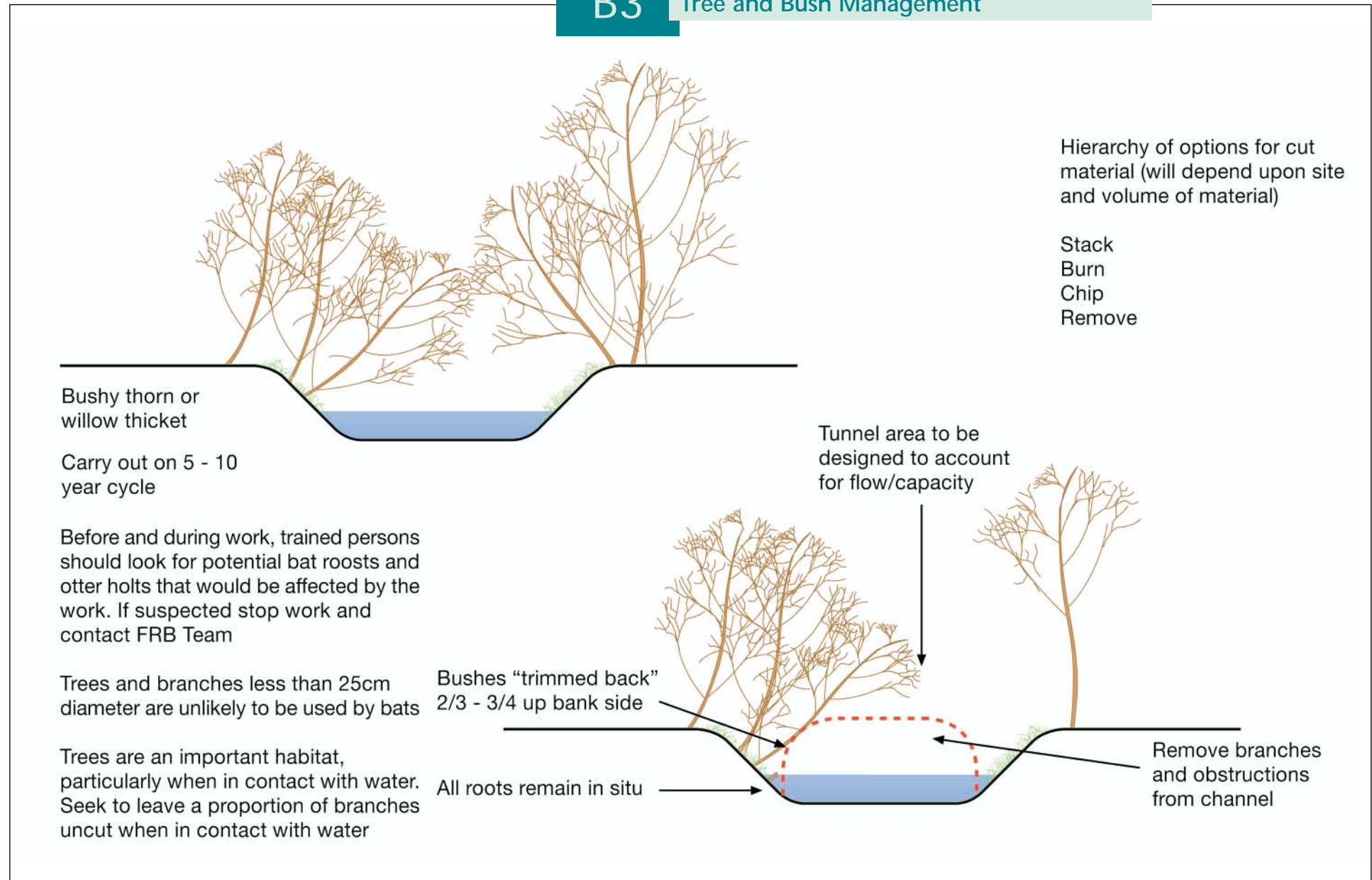


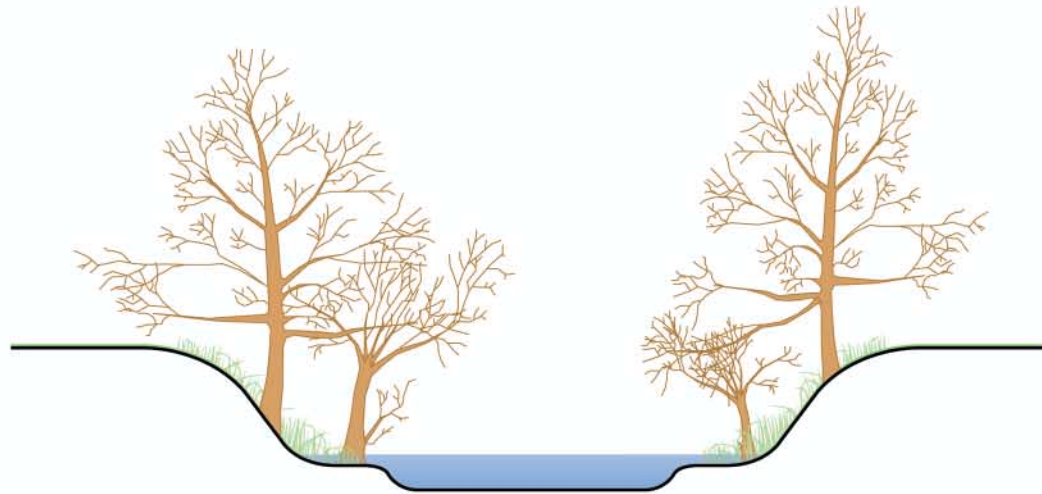
Remove cut branches and wrack debris from channel

Remove low boughs to prevent build up of wrack

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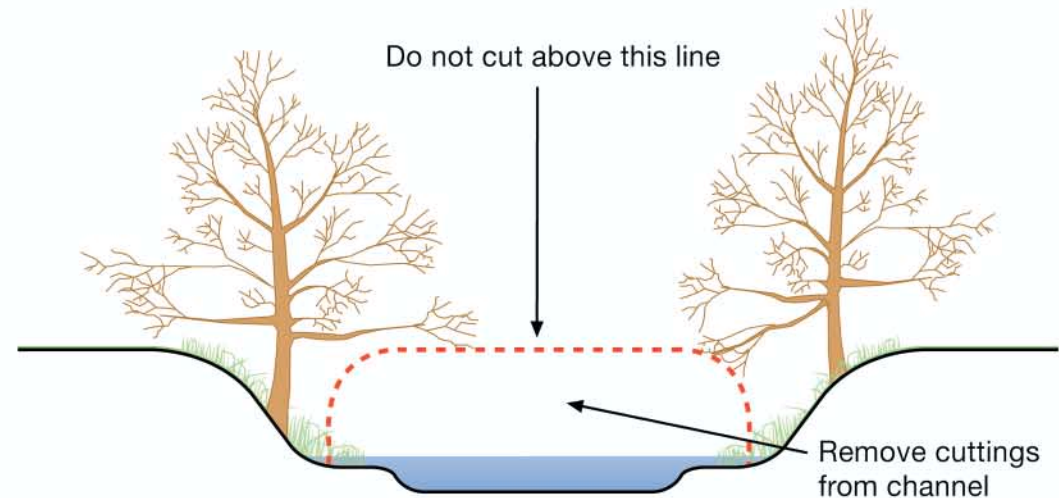
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When bushing work is necessary only remove branches or coppice trees sufficiently to maintain flow capacity of the channel

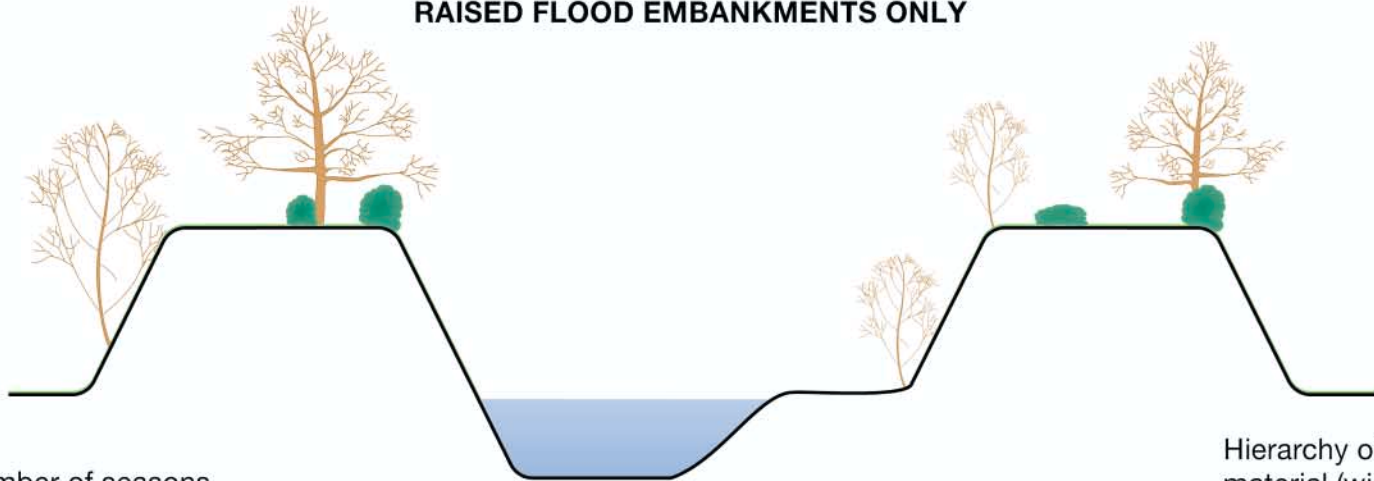
Carry out on 5 - 10 year cycle

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RAISED FLOOD EMBANKMENTS ONLY



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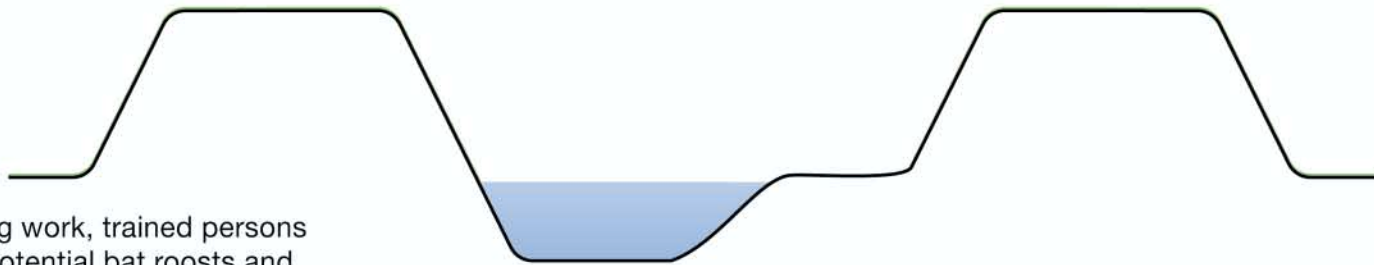
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All trees and bushes removed from embankments

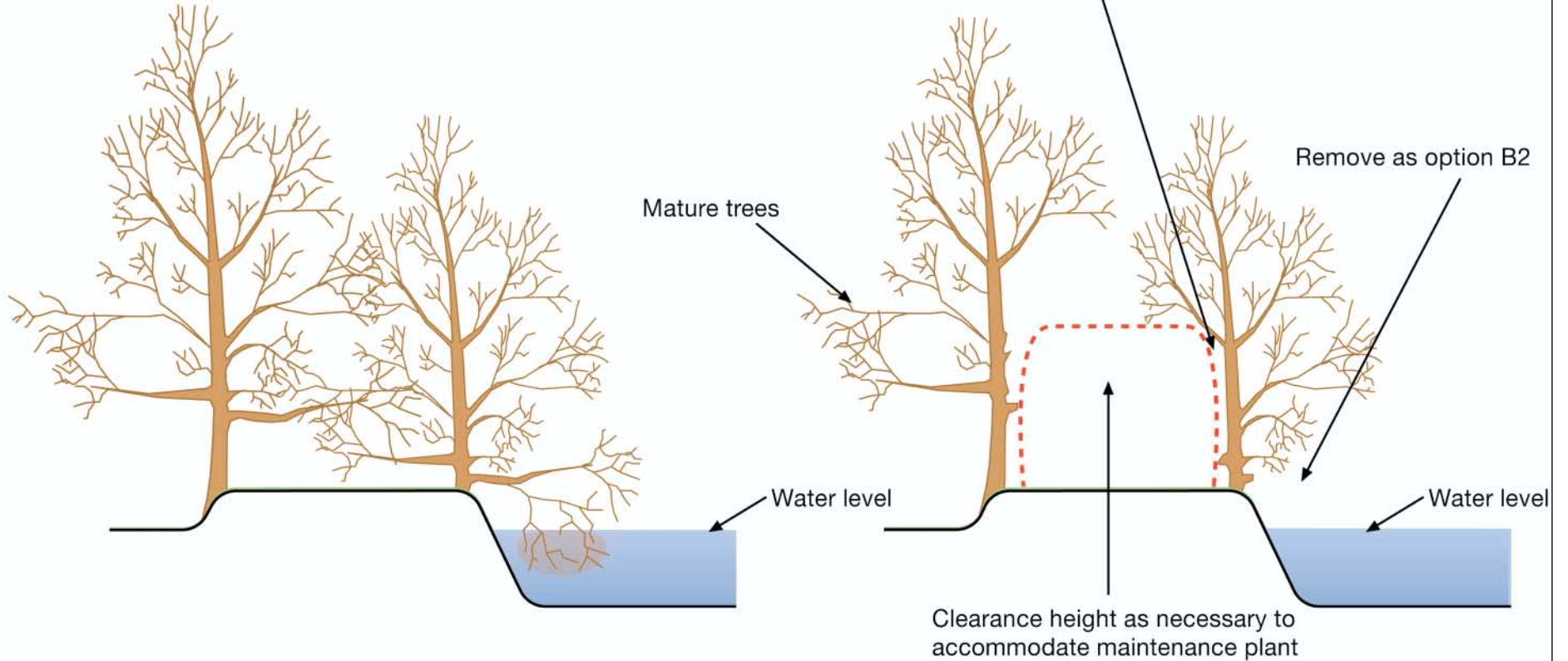
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Mainly would apply to 'spoil banks' rather than flood bank



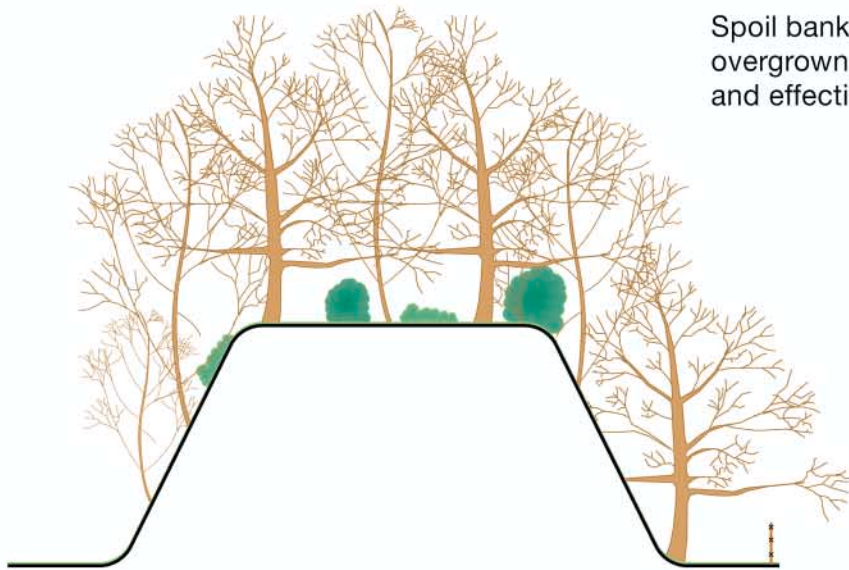
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Spoil bank or raised flood embankment overgrown - preventing access for plant and effective vermin control



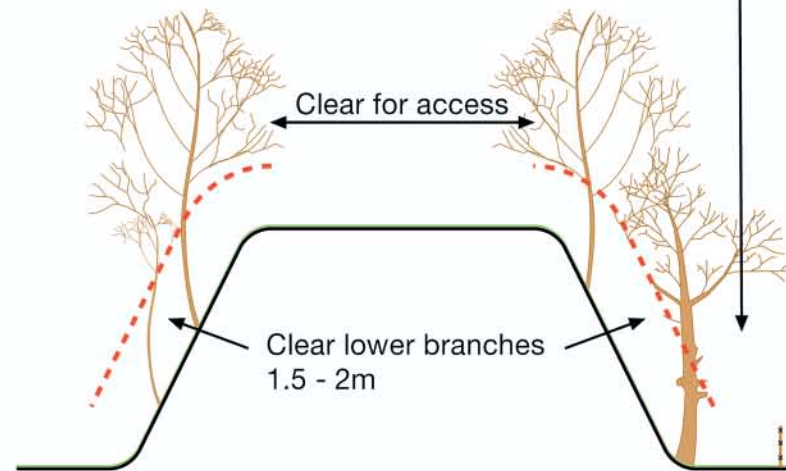
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Side up alongside boundary fence in cases where EA own the bank

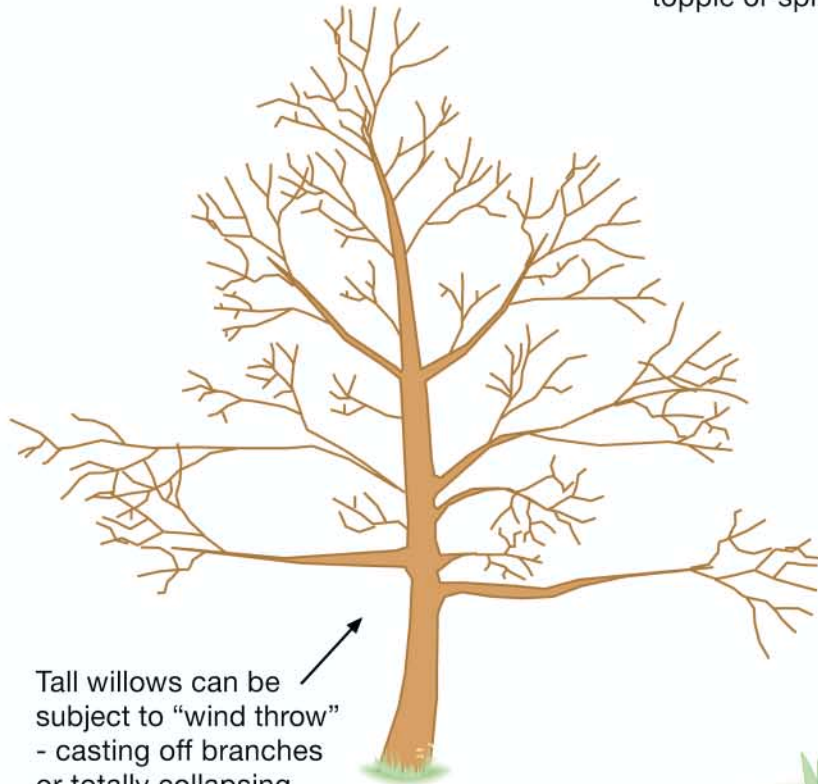


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Cut all branches close to the trunk to balance re-growth on the tree. (Unbalanced trees will topple or split)

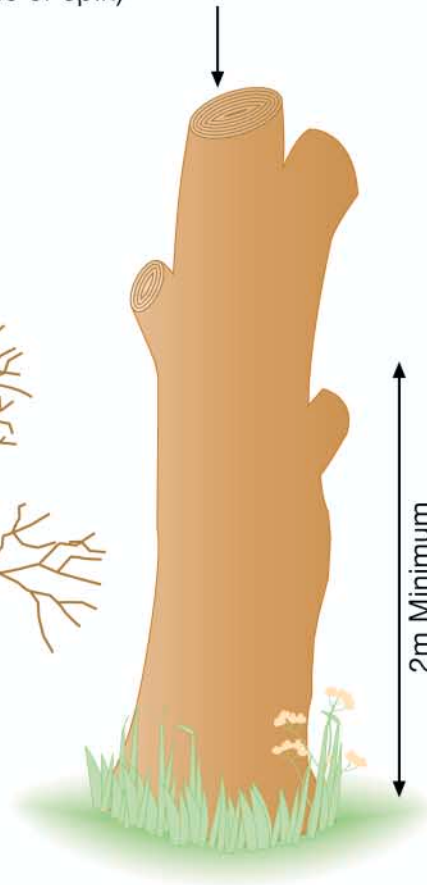
All pollarding must be accompanied by a detailed specification

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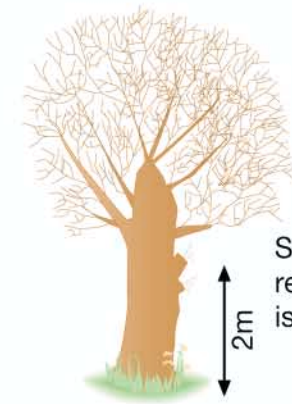
Tall willows can be subject to "wind throw" - casting off branches or totally collapsing

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2m Minimum

One years re-growth



Some grazed re-growth is acceptable

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Minimum pollarding height where grazing takes place:
 Sheep or the cattle = 2m
 Horses = 3 - 4m
 or protect re-growth by fencing