

$$f_p = f_{p,max} \left( \frac{t}{T_m - T_e} \right) \quad T_e < t < T_m$$

$$f_p = f_{p,max} \quad T_m < t < T_r$$

$$f_p = 0 \quad T_r < t < T_e$$

where

$f_p$  = the fractional area of coverage at time  $t$

$f_{p,max}$  = the maximum fractional area of plant coverage

$T_e$  = time of emergence

$T_m$  = time of maximum coverage

$T_r$  = time of removal