

Historical Veg. Questions

4. How did N.A. manage the W.V.?

- Burned every year.
- Helped with hunting
- Favored certain plants

5. How did E. manage the W.V.?

- Farming
- Burning stopped/changed
- Urbanized

6. Why do firs dominate now?

- Burning was stopped
- Young firs are not fire tolerant
- #7 (- Fires are patchy
- Fires were not hot
- Young firs could grow
- Firs grow taller than Oaks and shade out Oaks

8. Climax veg. in W.V. should be fir forest.

- Climax forest is forest that is not impacted by humans at all.

9. Describe low wet prairie, ash swale, bottomland timber.

- L.W.P is mainly grasses/shrubs in real wet area

- A.S. is dominated by Oregon ash and grasses; damp soil

- B.T. is drier soil with cotton wood/Big leaf maple

10. Changes between 1850 and 1950 in:

Prairies: lots less, covered by farms/towns

Open Areas: Non-native plants and farms. Not towns.

Forest: Non-native plants, building and forestry