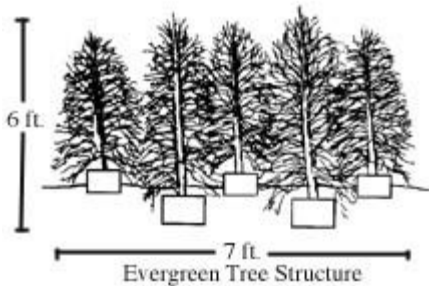
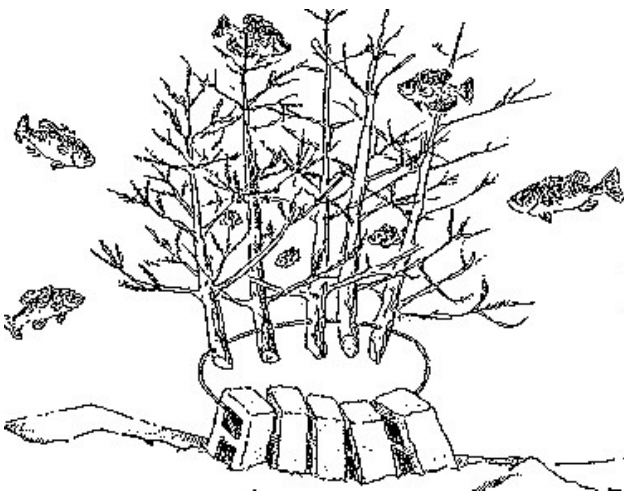
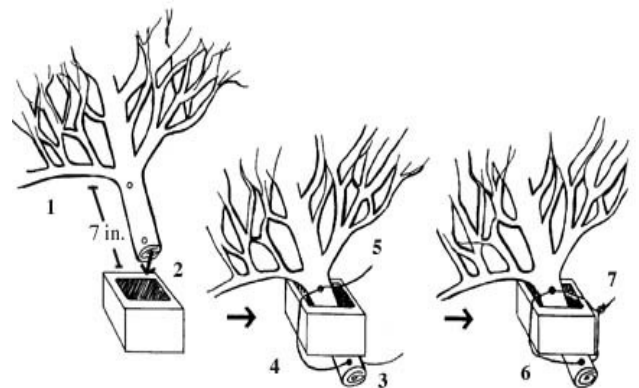


Creating Artificial Reef Structures for Fish in Claytor Lake



Artificial reef structures can easily be created using old Christmas trees and cinder blocks. The structures serve as resting places for game and non-game fish as well as a variety of other aquatic animals.

Cinder blocks are used to secure the trees on the bottom of the lake. Rope is used to attach the blocks to the tree trunks. Over time, the needles fall from the trees, but the tree branches provide plenty of cover for fish. Crayfish and other aquatic invertebrates make take up residence in or under the cinder blocks.



These structures are completely safe for aquatic environments. The structures will not interfere with recreational activities on or around Claytor Lake.

All fish attracting structures put into the lake must be authorized and permitted.