



Bob "Granny" Irwin looks forward to the new steel tower because it can be set up in 3 or 4 hours instead of 3 or 4 days. However, it costs between a quarter and a half million dollars. Irwin says the old method "kept more men working. Now it looks like a steel tower will replace man power."



The shovel loader lifts the 20 ton tree. It's then pulled in three directions into an upright position. The cables are anchored and the next day more guy lines are rigged. Occasionally a tall enough tree can be found in the right location.



At this landing in Mema-loose, high lead logging and slack line logging require a spar tree to pull the logs up from the canyon below so they can be loaded on trucks. Directing the crew by radio is company owner, Bill Anderson, who gets a personal satisfaction from raising the wooden spars.

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