

# REAR-VIEW MIRROR FOR FELLER-BUNCHER



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Feller-Bunchers: safety

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## INTRODUCTION:

Roger Dunevant, owner of Roger Dunevant Tree Thinning in Dillwin, Virginia, has mounted a large rear-view mirror inside the cab of his Tigercat 720B



Fig. 1: 10-inch x 30-inch school bus mirror improves rear visibility for operator.



Fig. 3: "I can always see what's going on around me with this mirror," says Roger Dunevant.

Feller-Buncher. This mirror improves safety by increasing his rear visibility while he is facing forward.

## GENERAL FEATURES:

The mirror is mounted above the lexan (front) window where it will not interfere with the view through any other windows. It allows Dunevant to see if a person or machine is coming up close behind the feller-buncher. It also helps him maneuver and steer clear of trees while he is backing or moving side-to-side during thinning operations.

There is also a small convex mirror mounted on the side of the large mirror.

Note: Dunevant has also mounted a compass inside the feller-buncher cab to assist him with thinning corridor layout.

## SPECIFICATIONS AND COST:

Dunevant obtained this 10-inch by 30-inch mirror from a retired school bus at no cost. The mirror mounting brackets can be homemade or taken from the school bus mirror brackets or other scrap metal.

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Fig. 2: Brackets mount mirror to inside of cab.

## FRA STAFF COMMENT:

Rearview mirrors on logging equipment with rear-mounted engines can also help with early detection of fires in the engine compartment.

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