A sort of summary

• **Definition**: extraction racks = lines to which vehicle movements are restricted to

• **Purpose**: to concentrate soil and other damages to as small an area of a stand as possible

• **Reason**: every vehicle movement causes soil damages (e.g. compaction, ruts …)
A sort of summary: problems

- Soft ground which cannot bear vehicles
- Ruts in the extraction racks
- Maintenance of the „technical trafficability“
- To what extent lead extraction racks to root damages (consecutively to root rot and yield loss)?
- Do vehicles really stay on the extraction racks (control of operation)?
A sort of summary: use

- Drivers must not leave the extraction racks (stipulated by certification schemes such as PEFC and FSC)
- Time of operation according to soil type and moisture content
- Various suggestions as decision-support-systems
- Interruption of skidding during bad weather periods (problems with just-in-time delivery – this policy requires large areas)