Engine Cradle

This engine cradle was made from 4x6 Douglas fir, heavy duty "Simpson" angles (used in construction), machine bolts and steel wheels. The 4x4's that the motor mounts are bolted too are attached to the 4x6's with lag bolts. Plastic wheels rated at 250 pounds each were originally used but the cradle was very difficult to move because the wheels quickly developed flat spots.

Select high quality steel wheels that are each rated for the weight of the engine and transmission if you have that attached. The engine was stored on this stand, with the transmission attached, for 8 years. Note the small block (bolted to the 4x6) that supports the back of the engine.

