

# Ground-durable eucalypts: a new **forestry opportunity** for sustainable growers and producers in the Hawke's Bay Region

**SEMINAR:**  
WEDNESDAY  
4<sup>TH</sup> NOV 2015  
HAVELOCK NORTH

The NZ Dryland Forests Initiative's vision is that New Zealand will become home to a valuable sustainable hardwood industry based on ground-durable eucalypt forests by 2050. To achieve this, the NZDFI aims to develop a complementary high-value land-use for warmer parts of eastern New Zealand where rainfall is low and unreliable.

**This seminar is aimed at** all Hawke's Bay landowners with an interest in sustainable, innovative land use, including sheep and beef farmers, vineyard owners/managers and organic or low-input farmers.

**The seminar will cover** (i) the potential for ground durable eucalypts as a land-use option in the Hawke's Bay, (ii) the world-class science underpinning this initiative, and (iii) the opportunities for using highly durable eucalypt timber as an alternative to treated pine on-farm, in vineyards, and in many other applications.

**We will visit** Ben McNeill's Waimarama property which hosts several NZDFI ground-durable eucalypt trials planted in 2011 and 2012 as well as older woodlots that Ben is sawing on site for fence posts. We will also hear about the potential for eucalypts to support bees from Dr Linda Newstrom-Lloyd. After a light evening meal, speakers will describe how the NZDFI's research is working with landowners to turn the vision of large-scale production and utilisation into reality.

## The NZ Dryland Forests Initiative

The New Zealand Dryland Forests Initiative (NZDFI) is a commercially-oriented research and development project. It aims to develop genetically improved planting stock and management systems for ground-durable eucalypt species suited to New Zealand's dryland regions. The NZDFI is researching the genetic potential of selected eucalypts so as to breed high-quality planting stock suitable for New Zealand's dryland regions. This includes highly innovative research into heartwood development and timber durability.

The NZDFI is also developing forest management systems for growers, and planning to access national and international markets with its timbers.

In March 2015, the NZDFI won the Supreme Award and the Business Innovation Award at the Cawthron Marlborough Environment Awards.

[www.nzdfi.org.nz](http://www.nzdfi.org.nz)

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# PROGRAMME

1.30pm	<b>Convene</b> , Havelock North Community Centre, 30 Te Mata Rd, Havelock North; transfer into 4 WDs
2.00 – 5.00pm	<b>Field visit</b> – McNeill property, 1894 Waimarama Rd, Waimarama
5.30pm	<b>Reconvene</b> , Havelock North Community Centre
5.30 – 6.30	<b>Light meal</b>
6.30 – 8.30	<b>Presentations</b>
<b>EVENING PRESENTATIONS</b>	
6.30 – 6.45	<b>Introduction</b> – Nathan Heath, Hawkes Bay Regional Council
6.45 – 7.05	<b>Eucalypts forests that produce ground durable hardwood: a sustainable land use option for New Zealand drylands</b> – Paul Millen, NZDFI project manager
7.05 – 7.30	<b>Matching elite high-value eucalypts to productive drylands</b> – Professor Euan Mason, NZ School of Forestry, University of Canterbury
7.30 – 7.55	<b>Eucalyptus globoidea productivity potential throughout New Zealand</b> – Dr Dean Meason, Scion, Rotorua
7.55 – 8.15	<b>Utilising ground durable eucalypts on farm – personal experience</b> – Denis Hocking, farm forester and eucalypt specialist
8.15 – 8.30	<b>Questions</b>
8.30pm	<b>Finish</b>

## REGISTRATION: Hawke's Bay Seminar – Field Visit and Evening Presentations

**Please register me** for the '**Ground-durable eucalypts: a new forestry opportunity**' seminar, Wednesday 4th November 2015, Havelock North Community Centre

Name: .....

Organisation: .....

Address: .....

Email: .....

Tel: ..... Mob: .....

- I wish to attend:**
- Afternoon field visit
  - Yes, I can bring a 4WD and provide transport for 1 / 2 / 3 / 4 people (please circle)
  - Evening presentations (These sessions are free of charge)
  - The meal – cost \$35 per person (includes GST, light meal and coffee/tea)

**Please make payment by internet banking (Bank a/c No. 02 0600 0162599 02)**

Please include your SURNAME as reference and 'WW2015' in the particulars

**Please register and make payment if applicable by October 29th 2015 to:**

Mandy Mitchell: mandy@mrc.org.nz or NZDFI, c/- MRC, Private Bag 1007, Blenheim 7240

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