



## Field trip /Seminar for Supreme Award Business Innovation Award

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2.00 – 8.30 pm**

In March 2015, the NZ Dryland Forests Initiative (NZDFI) won the Supreme Award and the Business Innovation Award at the Cawthron Marlborough Environment Awards. This field day is a celebration of these awards.

Attend one or both sessions: a complimentary light meal will be provided between the afternoon and evening sessions at the Marlborough Research Centre at 85 Budge Street.

### Programme

**2.30pm: Field trip:** John and Robyn Cuddon's property at Marlborough Ridge. View NZDFI durable eucalypt trials.

Meet at the Cuddons property - Marlborough Ridge Road at Fairhall, turn right into Cuddons and drive past the wetland to the parking area (follow the signs).

**4.00pm: Visit Marlborough Lines workshop,** Taylor Pass Road.

See imported hardwood being processed for use in the electricity network. We will hear from three speakers:

Brian Tapp, Network Manager: cross-arm timber use /life/numbers

Alan Wright, Purchasing Manager: origin, procurement, commitment to sustainable supplies

Geoff Hoare, Project Manager: Marlborough Lines support for NZDFI and Marlborough Lines Quayle Stream eucalypt project in the Wakamarina valley.

**5 – 6pm: Complimentary light meal** at the Marlborough Research Centre on Budge Street.

**6.00pm: Introduction:** Cawthron Marlborough Environment Awards Trust.

**6.15pm: Eucalypt forests that produce ground durable hardwood:** a sustainable land use option for New Zealand drylands: Paul Millen, NZDFI Project Manager

**6.45pm: Selecting and breeding eucalypts** that produce ground durable timber: Shaf van Ballekom, Proseed NZ Ltd & NZDFI Chairman)

**7.15pm: UC/NZDFI eucalypt forestry research programme:** Dr Clemens Altaner, Senior Lecturer for Wood Science, School of Forestry, University of Canterbury

**7.45pm:** Question and Answer session

**8.15pm:** Summary and Conclusions