NZDFI Crownthorpe Eucalyptus 2014 Demonstration Trial

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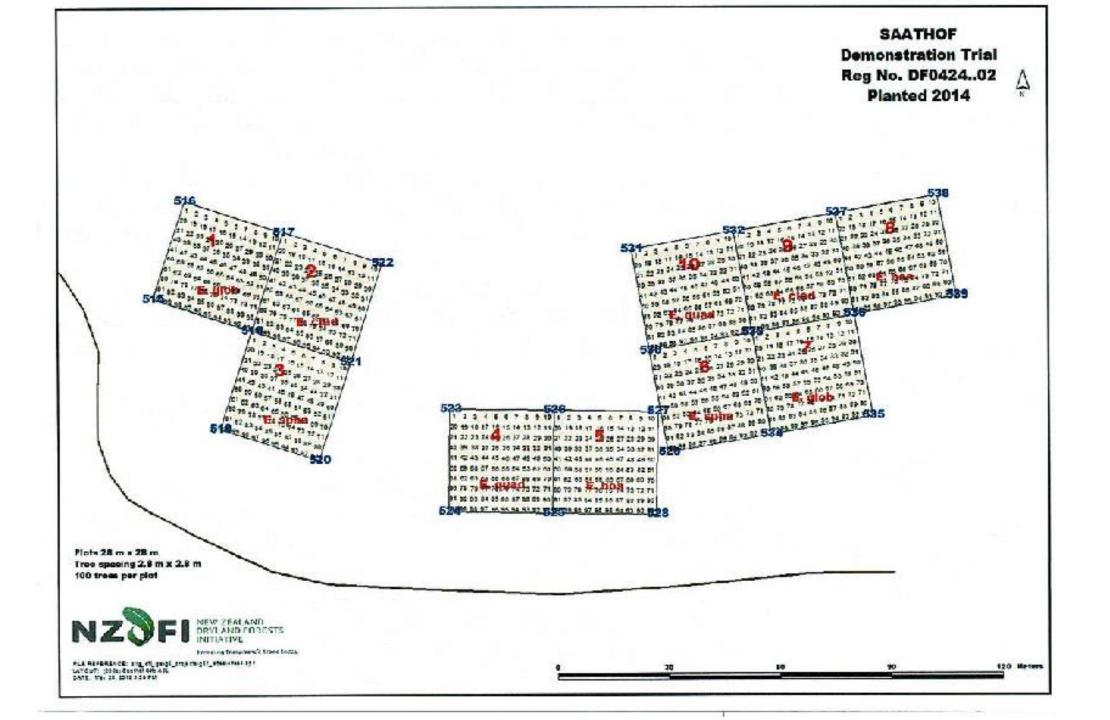


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E.bosistoana

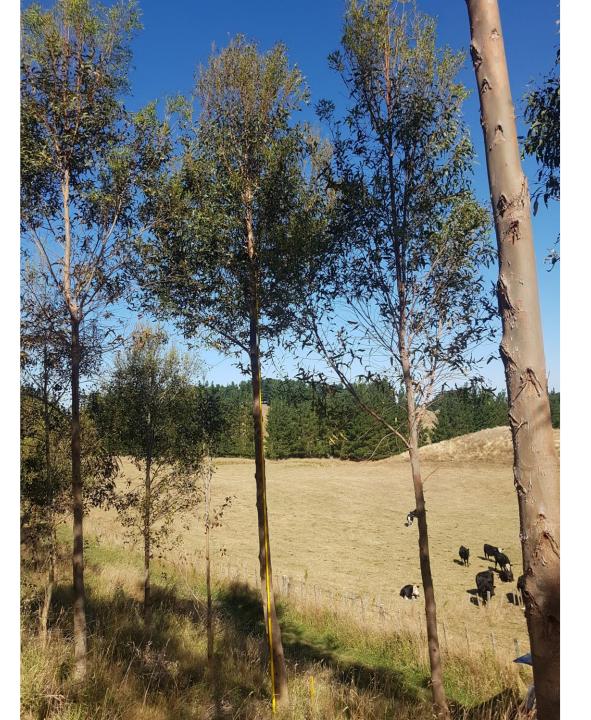
- 6.5m tall
- Form debatable
- Late blossomer
- Insect Damage





E quadrangulata

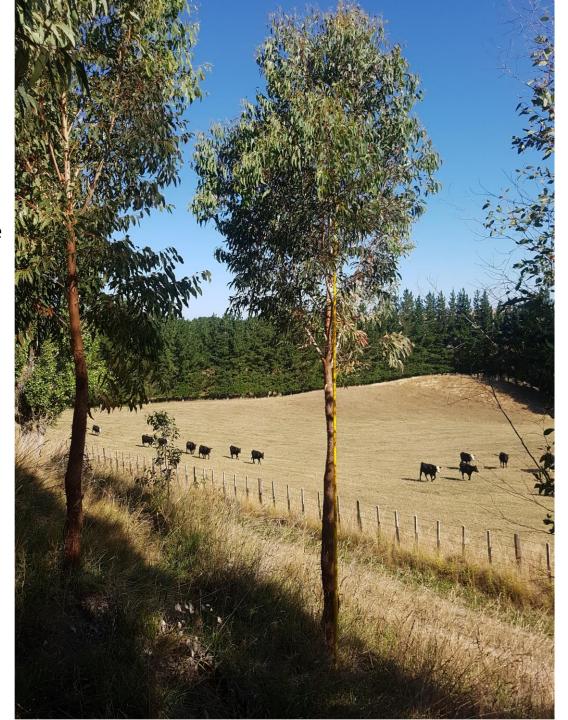
- 10.5m tall
- Insect attack
- Very good growth site dependant





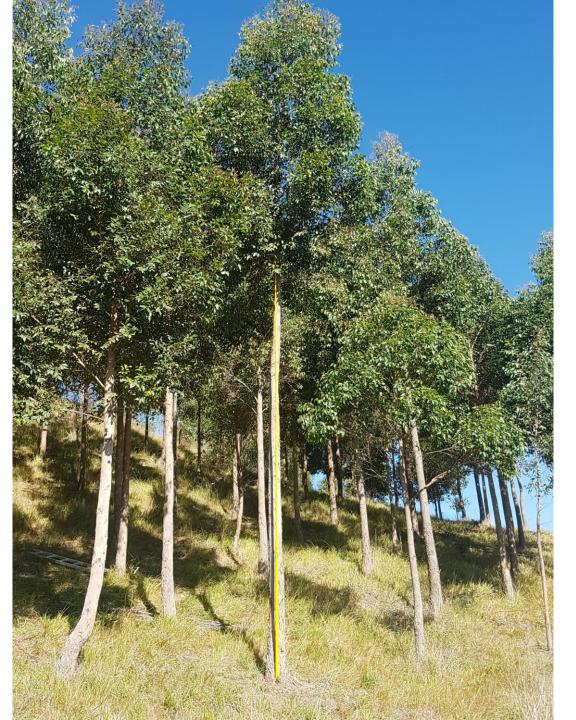
E sphaerocarpa

• Didn't establish at Crownthorpe



E globoidea

- 11m Tall
- Good growth/form
- The radiata of eucalyptus?





Pruning made easy



Abscission

Pruning - really???



Conclusions to Date...

- Great potential supply chain, especially for organic farmers, orchardists and vintners in HB
- Fantastic wood quality and potential for products (already had an offer for my resource for untreated GD posts when ready to harvest)
- Hawkes Bay is a good place to grow NZDFI eucalypts
- Eucalyptus are site specific and (like most trees) do better in good growing conditions – so don't just plant them in your worst corner
- Drought tolerance
- Enjoyable growing another forest tree species after 1+ rotation of radiata mgt