

VicForests



Harvesting Plan Amendments Public Consultation Period Now Open

VicForests is seeking public comment on planned changes to our future harvesting plans (known as Timber Release Plans (TRP)) for 2010.

TRP is a rolling plan that contains areas of native forest (coupes) which VicForests has planned for harvest, is currently harvesting, or regenerating and awaiting hand back to the Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE) for their ongoing management. VicForests' planning process incorporates annual modifications to these Plans.

VicForests (Central Highlands) plans to add 148 new coupes and road lines and modify 9 planned coupes and road lines already on the Plan. These changes do not allow an increase to VicForests' annual harvest level.

A further 26 coupes will be removed from the plan which have been successfully harvested and regenerated, or considered unsuitable for harvest upon further investigation. DSE will resume management of these areas.

The public consultation period is now open and runs until Thursday 8th April. VicForests invites public comment in writing during this period.

Copies of the planned changes are available on our website:

www.vicforests.com.au

All comments should be made in writing and sent to:

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VicForests will respond to all correspondence received.