



Criteria for assessing risk of tree weed spread

Under section 187A of the Climate Change Response Act 2002 (“CCRA”), I give public notice of the criteria for assessing the risk of tree weed spread from land that is the subject of an application for registration under section 57 of the CCRA.

A “tree weed” means any tree that is defined or designated as -

- (a) a pest in a pest management strategy under the Biosecurity Act 1993; or
- (b) a tree weed in regulations made under the CCRA.

“Tree weed spread” means the spread of a tree weed by natural regeneration.

The criteria for assessing the risk of tree weed spread are:

1. the risk of distant seed dispersal due to tree weed species spreading vigour.
2. the risk of distant seed dispersal due to site features.
3. surrounding land use within two kilometres and the risk of spread into these areas.
4. whether any mitigating actions have been, or will be, employed to reduce the risk of tree weed spread.

For a complete list of tree weed species you can contact the Climate Change Contact Centre at climatechange@mpi.govt.nz or by calling 0800 CLIMATE (254 628).

Signed Aoife Martin, Director Forestry and Land Operations, Resource Management and Programmes Branch, Ministry for Primary Industries, acting under authority delegated* to me by the Director-General of the Ministry for Primary Industries.

*A copy of the instrument of delegation may be inspected at the Ministry for Primary Industries, 25 The Terrace, Wellington 6140.