



WELCOME TO THE 47TH EDITION OF THE SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY BULLETIN

This edition has information on:

- » Permanent Forest Sink Initiative participants to receive New Zealand Units.
- » Mapping improvements in the online ETS system.
- » Deregistering and re-registering land in the ETS.

DEREGISTERING AND RE-REGISTERING LAND IN THE ETS

If you re-register your land in the ETS, after deregistering, this is a new application. As such, applicants are required to re-submit all of the documents required for a standard post-1989 ETS application. This includes Interested Party Consent, Approval of Authorised Representative, and Person to Receive Notices forms, as well as Statutory Declarations.

The **previous edition of this bulletin** has further information on additional things to consider when de-registering and re-registering land in the ETS.

PERMANENT FOREST SINK INITIATIVE PARTICIPANTS TO RECEIVE NEW ZEALAND UNITS

Permanent Forest Sink Initiative (PFSI) participants will receive New Zealand Units (NZUs) for carbon storage from 2013 onwards, following a recent decision by Cabinet. Prior to this participants in the scheme received Kyoto Assigned Amount Units (AAUs) for the first five-year commitment period. The availability of AAUs after 2015 is uncertain and the Ministry for Primary Industries undertook a consultation earlier this year with affected stakeholders to gather their views.

Consultation recognised the importance to some scheme participants that any future unit is clearly differentiated as coming from PFSI forests so these benefits could be recognised in the marketplace. As a result of this feedback the government will be investigating ways to distinguish PFSI-generated NZUs in the Emissions Unit Register.

PFSI participants do not need to do anything at this stage. From 1 January 2014 they will be able to make a claim for the first entitlement of NZUs for carbon growth for the 2013 calendar year.

For further details please contact pfsi@mpi.govt.nz

MAPPING IMPROVEMENTS IN THE ONLINE ETS SYSTEM

Following feedback from users of the ETS online system, MPI has made improvements to the mapping screen. These are outlined in the picture (right). In summary:

- » The mapping screen is much larger, making it easier to draw maps and locate properties.
- » The toolbar is larger, with new and updated tools.
- » Searching for properties is easier. When you begin typing you are presented with options, similar to a search in Google.
- » Property selection has been improved. When you draw a polygon on the map it now includes all properties within the polygon. This makes it much easier to select multiple properties.
- » The properties you select now appear in a collapsible panel, which you can minimise. This means you can see more of the map.

We will continue to improve the online system, and will keep you updated via this *bulletin*.

New Mapping screen

The screenshot shows the 'Property Selection' interface. A search bar at the top allows for property searches. A map displays a large blue polygon over a forested area. A 'Selected Properties' panel on the right lists two properties: '1 Lot 2 DP 372910' and '2 Lot 1 DP 372910'. Callouts point to various features: 'New Search options' points to the search bar; 'New collapsible property panel' points to the 'Selected Properties' list; 'One click property select' points to a button on the map; and 'New larger format mapping panel' points to the map area.

IMPORTANT NOTE IF YOU USE MOZILLA FIREFOX: The forest stand and property outline will not be visible if you zoom to **70 metres or lower**. This is due to an issue with Mozilla Firefox, not with the system. If this happens you will need to switch to another supported internet browser.