Sustainable Forests (Timber) Act 2004

ALLOCATION (AMENDMENT) ORDER 2014

I, Peter Walsh, Minister for Agriculture and Food Security, make the following Order to amend the Allocation Order 2013.

1. **Title**
   
   This Order may be cited as the Allocation (Amendment) Order 2014.

2. **Objectives**
   
   The objective of the Allocation (Amendment) Order 2014 is to amend the Allocation Order 2013.

3. **Authorising provision**
   
   This amendment is made under section 17(1)(ba) of the Sustainable Forests (Timber) Act 2004.

4. **Amendments**
   
   For clause 4 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
   
   ‘Pursuant to section 15(1)(a)(i) of the SFT Act, this Order applies to the forest stands described in Item 2 of Table 1 and the map at Appendix 1 of this Order.’

   For clause 5 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
   
   ‘Pursuant to section 15(1)(a)(ii) of the SFT Act, the map at Appendix 1 shows the extent and location of the forest stands described in Item 2 of Table 1. (Also see Note to Clause 5 of this Order).’

   For clause 6 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
   
   ‘Pursuant to section 15(1)(a)(iii) of the SFT Act, the total area (in hectares) available for harvest in each forest stand to which this Order applies is described in Item 2 of Table 1 (subject to the conditions and limitations referred to in this Order).’

   For clause 7 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
   
   ‘Pursuant to section 13(a) of the SFT Act, timber in the forest stands described in Item 2 of Table 1 and the map at Appendix 1 of this Order is allocated to VicForests for the purposes of harvesting and selling, or harvesting or selling, timber resources (subject to the conditions and limitations in this Order).’

   For clause 8 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
   
   ‘Pursuant to section 15(3) of the SFT Act, the total area harvested (in hectares) in any five year period must not exceed the limit shown in Item 3 of Table 1 (known as the five year harvest area limit).’

   For clause 14 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
   
   ‘VicForests must comply with all relevant Codes of Practice and other relevant documents as determined by the Secretary to the Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI) (and any predecessor or successor thereto) and as prepared and amended from time to time, including, but not limited to, the Code of Practice for Timber Production 2014, and the Code of Practice for Bushfire Management on Public Land 2012.’

   For clause 15 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
   
   ‘VicForests must comply with the forest management zoning scheme established pursuant to any applicable forest management plan which is a working plan made under section 22 the Forests Act 1958.’
For clause 18 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
‘VicForests must submit an annual report to the Secretary to DEPI by 30 September each year describing the area of timber harvested and regeneration results for the preceding financial year for Ash and Mixed species forest stand types as described in Table 1. The report must include data demonstrating how VicForests is complying with the five year harvest area limit (as shown in Item 3 of Table 1). The reporting period will be 1 July to 30 June annually.’

For Table 1 of the Allocation Order 2013, substitute the following:
‘Table 1 – Forest stands to which Order applies; total area available for harvest and five year harvest area limit

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<th>1. Forest stands</th>
<th>Ash¹ (ha)</th>
<th>Mixed Species (ha)</th>
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<td>2. Total area of State forest available for harvest</td>
<td>241,000</td>
<td>1,579,000</td>
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<td>3. Five year harvest area limit</td>
<td>14,200</td>
<td>70,000</td>
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¹Areas dominated by *E.delegatensis*, *E.regnans* or *E.nitens*’

Dated 29 October 2014

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