



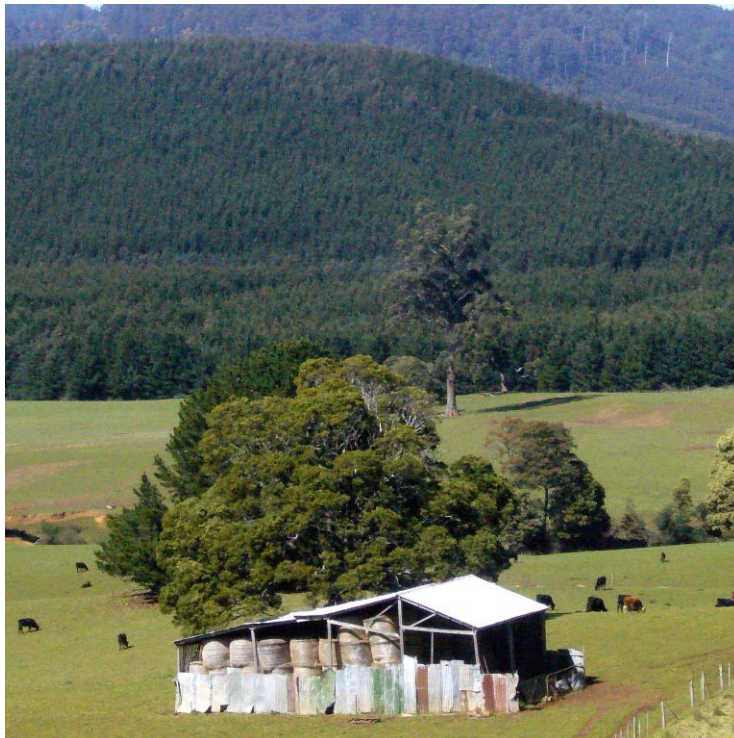
PUBLIC SEMINAR INVITATION

Tree planting for carbon sequestration: Are landholders interested?

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Recent years have seen rapid growth in tree planting for carbon sequestration in Australia to service carbon markets. The Australian Government's proposed Carbon Farming Initiative, as well as ongoing promises of a forthcoming government-mandated carbon market, will likely expand the potential market for this activity. Tree planting for carbon sequestration needs to occur on cleared land, and typically requires accessing land currently managed by Australian farmers.



Are these farmers interested in this type of activity? Why or why not? How do farmers view the costs and benefits of this activity? What factors act as incentives and barriers to landholder adoption of tree planting for sequestration? What business models do they prefer? What are the 'adoption thresholds' at which landholders view this activity as a viable business proposition? What extension activities are likely to be effective?

This seminar will discuss these and other related issues based on results of a 2010 study of NSW landholders exploring their views about tree planting for carbon

sequestration, and outline likely challenges for making this a viable and well-adopted activity based on these results. The full results of the study will be published by the CRC for Forestry later in the year.

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Presenters:



Dr Lyndall Bull has been employed at the Fenner School of Environment and Society as the Convenor of the National Forestry Masters Program for the past two and a half years, and is a Board member of the CRC for Forestry. Prior to joining the Australian National University, Lyndall worked with the plantation company, Timbercorp, where she was responsible for the research, inventory and mapping requirements of the 100,000 hectare eucalypt estate. She has also worked with the National Association of Forest Industries and URS Forestry. Lyndall's research interests are in the areas of innovation and product development.



Dr Jacki Schirmer is a Research Fellow at the Fenner School of Environment and Society, and leads the CRC for Forestry's 'Communities' research project. For the past decade she has researched social dimensions of forestry, fishing and agriculture, including the socio-economic impacts of changing land use from traditional agriculture to plantation forestry, community engagement strategies, and farmer adoption of revegetation and commercial tree planting.

Seminar details

Canberra:

Date: Thursday, 17 March 2011

Hobart:

Date: Monday, 21 March

Melbourne:

Date: Tuesday 12 April

Time: 5-6 pm

Venue: University of Melbourne
Lower Theatre in building 142 (Land and Food Resources) near gate 13 on Royal Parade.

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