

ForestFit

ForestFit is being jointly developed by industry and the NSW Government in partnership with Australian Forest Contractors Association (AFCA).

ForestFit will deliver two major outcomes for the forest industry:

- A nationally recognised and endorsed pilot Training Program for forest contractors
- A pilot Certification for forest contracting businesses to deliver quality services in accordance with industry standards and regulatory requirements.

Setting the standard for forest contracting in Australia

Influence the design of a certification scheme for forest contracting businesses on 04 March 2021.

Certification design

Working closely with an industry reference group and other industry representatives, ForestFit is building upon and expanding existing initiatives to develop and establish a national industry training and certification scheme.

The design and pilot of the ForestFit certification occurs across five stages with deliverables, activities and key consultation outlined for each stage.

As part of stage one this is your opportunity as an industry stakeholder to input into the certification design. Input from stakeholders representing the entire forest supply chain will ensure the ForestFit certification aligns with existing chain of custody and forest management certifications currently in use by forest contracting businesses.

Benefiting industry

ForestFit fosters continual professional development, increased business competency, operational compliance and risk management and industry sustainability.

Forest contracting businesses

ForestFit is being designed for all types and sizes of forest contracting businesses to assist them in meeting best practice standards across business management, people practices, safety and environment.

Forest managers, growers, owners and regulators

Gain assurance that certified forest contracting businesses understand compliance requirements across land tenures and have systems for managing and conducting operations to a high standard. Enable easier engagement of high-quality contractors who will manage risks better and reduce compliance costs



Project partner

AFCA has appointed Ernst and Young (EY) to lead the end to end development of a forestry contractor business certification scheme.

This includes piloting the scheme in New South Wales for national roll out.

Designing the standard

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The stage one industry briefing session (04 Mar) will include:

- Introduction to ForestFit certification scheme
- Objectives and benefits of certification
- ForestFit certification design process, including ongoing industry opportunities for input
- Review of ForestFit certification building blocks (e.g. assessment frequency) that need to be considered when designing the scheme
- Q&A - participants will also be able to submit anonymous questions using Menti.

STAGE 1



Dec 2020 -
Apr 2021

STAGE 2



Apr 2021 -
Jun 2021

STAGE 3



Jun 2021 -
Sep 2021

STAGE 4



Oct 2021 -
Nov 2021

STAGE 5



Dec 2021 -
Feb 2022



Contact us if you would like to participate in future opportunities for industry collaboration throughout each of the project stages, including design and feedback sessions.

Contact us

If you have any questions
please contact us

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Please complete the EOI by
01 March (Mon).

Applicants submitting an EOI
will be sent a meeting
invitation with zoom details.

Industry session

1. Briefing and design

Date: 04 March (THU) 2021

Time: 2pm - 3pm

Location: Zoom meeting

Your details

Full name:

Position title:

Email address:

Contact number:

Company details

Name:

Address:

Area of operation:

Forest owner

Forest manager

Forest grower

Forest contracting business

Regulator

Processing/manufacturing

Other:

Acknowledgments

By submitting this EOI you are confirming participation in:
(tick all that apply)

04 March industry session

Future industry sessions

Send me AFCA and ForestFit project updates.

You may unsubscribe at any time.

Signature:

Date:

The logo for ForestFit, featuring the word "ForestFit" in a bold, dark blue sans-serif font. The letter "o" in "Forest" is replaced by a stylized tree icon consisting of a blue circle with a white cross-like shape inside. A large, dark blue curved graphic element is positioned below the logo, extending from the left side towards the center of the page.

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