



## Akatarawa Forest Weekly Event Calendar Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

Date	Organisation	Contact	Vehicles	Activities	Areas to be used
1. Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> October 2015 – Saturday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2015	ARAC	Marcus Steeneken	5 x 4WD	ARAC related activities Continued work on Orange Hut BBQ project, including concrete block fill, paths wood shed, repairs and maintenance.	Valley View Rd, Clarkes Creek, Airstrip Dr, Woolshed Rd, McGhies Br, Deadwood Ridge, Titi Rd, Perhams Rd, Whakatikei Rd, Hydro Valley, Hydro Rd, Rimu Rd, Pram Track, ToiToi Rd, Clearys Rd, Puketiro Rd
2. Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October – Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	Kapi Mana Motorcycle Club	Murray Dick	100 x Motorcycles	Clean Up	Hydro Rd, Rimu Rd, ToiToi Rd, Clearys Rd, Puketiro Rd, 257 , Top Bogs, Blowfly Junction Hill, Dude Ranch, Cooks B
3. Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	Abbotts Creek	Jason Small	6 – 10 x 4WD	4WD Trip	Valley View Rd, McGhies Br, Whakatikei Rd, Hydro Valley, Pram Track
4. Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	Hutt Orienteering	Simon Rea	50 People	Orienteering	Maungakotukutuku Valley
5. Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2015	CCVC	G Millard	20 x 4WD	Family Trip	Valley View Rd, Clarkes Creek, Airstrip Dr, Woolshed Rd, McGhies Br, Deadwood Ridge, Titi Rd, Perhams Rd, Whakatikei Rd, Hydro Valley, Hydro Rd, Rimu Rd, Pram Track, ToiToi Rd, Clearys Rd, Puketiro Rd
6. Sunday 11 <sup>th</sup> October-2015	CCVC	John Parfitt	15 x 4WD	Club 4WD Trip	Valley View Rd, Clarkes Creek, Airstrip Dr, Woolshed Rd, McGhies Br, Deadwood Ridge, Titi Rd, Perhams Rd, Whakatikei Rd, Hydro Valley, Hydro Rd, Rimu Rd, Pram Track, ToiToi Rd, Clearys Rd, Puketiro Rd

**Following the recent wet weather, extra caution is required when driving on all the forests roads.  
Hazards including fallen trees, washouts and slips are likely.**

**Note:**

**Slip on lower Hukinga Road, proceed with care.**

**Scouring and slip on Hydro Road above Wainui Stream, proceed with care.**

**Extra care needed when using all ford crossings.**

**Whakatikei causeway closed until further notice.**

**Wash outs on Whakatikei Road and Titi Road proceed pass with care.**

# Plantation Forestry

## Valley View Forest

- Logging and earthworks are continuing in Lindsays Block. No public access beyond Ragwort Hill please (10km Ragwort Hill)
- GWRC 4WD courses operating in the Reservoir Ridge and Rallywoods areas 30<sup>th</sup> September and 7<sup>th</sup> of October

## Pakuratahi Forest

## Puketiro Forest

- Logging operations are underway in Chesterfield property. Puketiro Road will be closed whilst tree felling occurs and roadside trees are harvested. Do not proceed past operational signage without making radio contact with the logging crew. .
- Machinery is still operating in the Cooks Ridge Road area. No public access for the time being.
- Logging operations will soon move to the Drapers area (turnoff at the 16.5km Puketiro Rd). Logging equipment is being transported and set up in the Drapers 1 Road. No public access to the drapers Roads area please.
- In roughly 6 week's time, **Puketiro Road will be closed for extended periods** between the Chesterfield access and Drapers Roads (14.5km and 16.5km Puketiro Rd). The stand of trees adjacent to this stretch of road will be harvested..
- Thinning is ongoing in the block between Road 9 and 19km Puketiro Road. Please avoid access to the side roads in this area. Expect closures whilst roadside trees are felled.
- **Logging traffic along Puketiro, Rallywoods, Airstrip, Valley View, Lindsays and Ragworts roads between 4am and 5pm weekdays. Radio communication on these roads at all times.**
- **Following the recent wet weather, extra caution is required when driving on all the forests roads. Hazards including fallen trees, and debris, washouts and slips are likely. Drive to the conditions.**
- **The logging radio frequency will change on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May. The current frequency will not be usable in the forest from this date. Contact Richard Beamish-White (029 770 6223) or Chris Gibbons (027 478 8106) for more details.**

## Whakatikei Forest

## Hukinga Forest

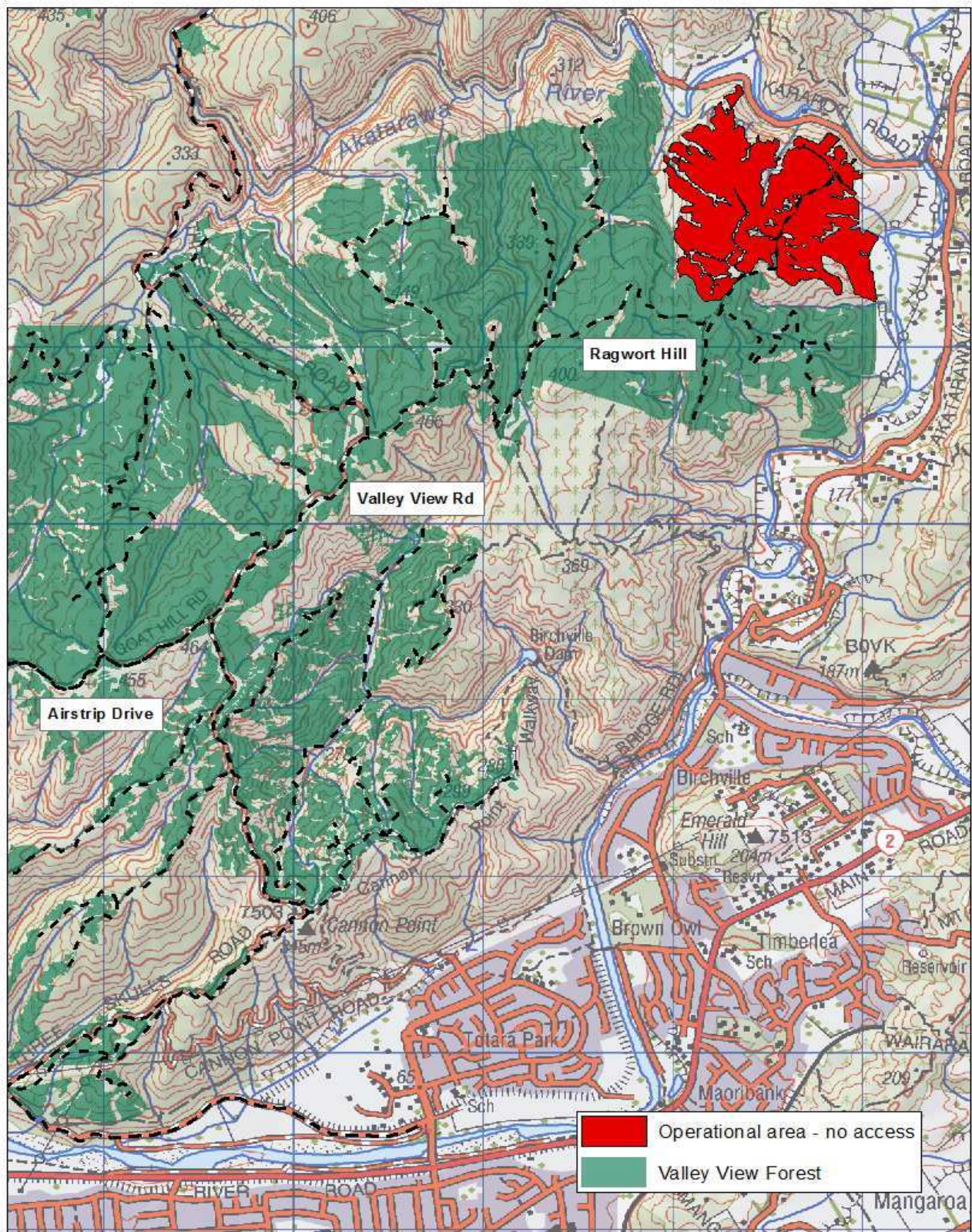
- Thinning operations are underway near Hukinga Road north of the Pram Track crossing (towards Cederholm Creek). Closures on Hukinga Road will be in place whilst roadside trees are felled.

**The speed limit in the Forest is 30kph  
Please ensure that you obey this limit.  
Not all vehicles are equipped with radios –  
Drive to stop in half the clear distance ahead  
All vehicles must have headlights on in forest**

**BEWARE OF MOUNTAIN BIKES AND PEDESTRIANS ON & ADJACENT TO  
LOGGING ROADS**

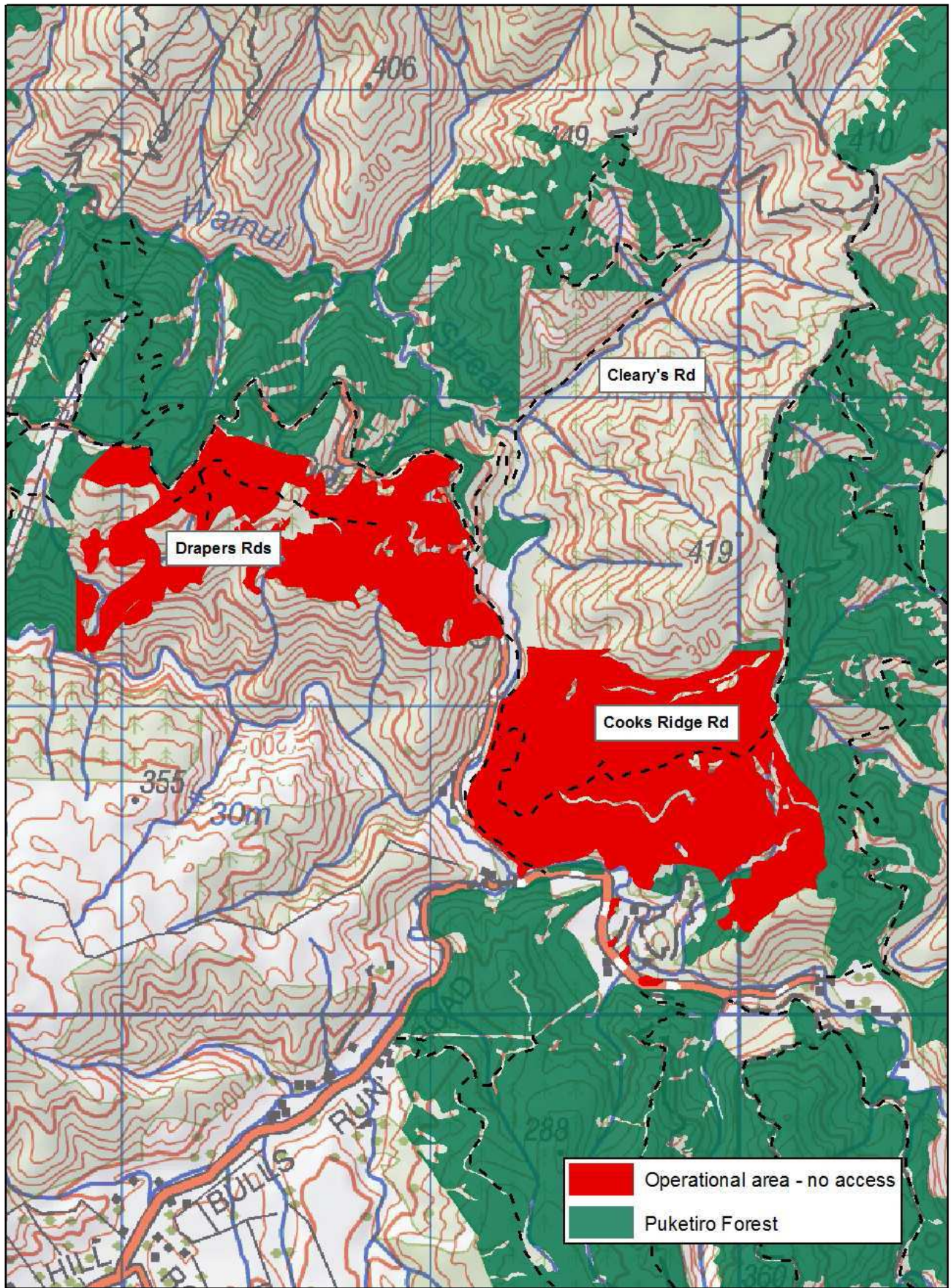
**All vehicles MUST give way to loaded logging trucks**

# Logging Crew Location Map

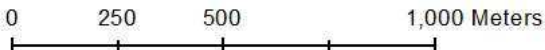


Valley View Forest

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Puketiro Forest



## Akatarawa Forest Block

- **Greater Wellington Regional Council Rangers will be on Duty throughout the Forest**
- **Devil's Staircase route is CLOSED to ALL motorised vehicles until Labour weekend due to maintenance and settling process for track surface.**
- **Causeway Closed to vehicles due to wash out.**
- **Tobins Limited** – Pylon maintenance (blasting and painting) will be carried out during the year (weather dependant) by Tobin's Ltd. Vehicles and crew will be entering and exiting Maungakotukutuku gate
- **Electrix Limited** – is working in conjunction with United Group on the Pylons off Hydro Road
- **Transpower** – Pylon maintenance on going may involve heavy machinery on Hydro Road.
- **Police dog training school** – will be ongoing on the roads within the Valley View area, Valley View Forest



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### Parks

- **Greater Wellington Regional Council Rangers will be on Duty throughout the Forest.**
- **Horse riding ongoing** – route through Maymorn, Tunnel Gully, Station Drive, Kaitoke Hill Track and Pylon Loop Track.
- **Police dog training school** – will be using the Maymorn forest for ongoing training entering and exiting via Gabities.
- **Deer Stalkers Rifle Range** – Associated clubs use Range most weekends.

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