



## Akatarawa Forest Weekly Event Calendar Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2015

Date	Organisation	Contact	Vehicles	Activities	Areas to be used
1. Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2015 – Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> November 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. Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2015	Wellington 4x4	Lou Henderson	15 x 4WD	Track Maintainance 4x4ing	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
3. Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2015	Levin 4x4	Paul Shivnan	10- 15 x 4WD	Club 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
4. Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> November – 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

**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)
- Logging to re-commence in the macrocarpa at the bottom of Woolshed Road in the coming weeks. **Woolshed Road will be closed** whilst logging is carried out.
- Logging to commence in Beech Spur in the next week. Beech Spur Road will be closed to public access for the duration of the logging operation.
- Aerial spraying in recently planted blocks (Lindsay's area) will occur over the coming weeks, subject to weather. Expect road closures when this happens
- Machinery will be passing through Valley View forest next week, heading towards the Pram Track for maintenance works
- Roadside mowing to take place in Three Skulls and Reservoir Ridge areas over the next 2 weeks. Take care when using these roads. Operational signage will be in place.

## Pakuratahi Forest

- Maintenance to a culvert on Station Drive is scheduled for Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> of November. It is possible a section of Station Drive may be closed due to machinery and truck movements

## Puketiro Forest

- Logging operations are underway in Drapers Block adjacent to Puketiro Rd. Puketiro Road will be closed for extended periods between the 14.5km and 16.5km marks whilst tree felling and harvesting occurs. This may last several months.
- Post-harvest operations are underway in Chesterfields and Cooks Ridge Road areas. No public access for the time being please.
- Aerial spraying in recently planted blocks will occur over the coming weeks subject to weather. Expect road closures when this happens
- Earth moving machinery will be working on the north side of Hydro Road next week and exiting the forest through Puketiro Road.
- 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.
- Thinning operations will soon start in the north side of the Blow Fly block
- **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

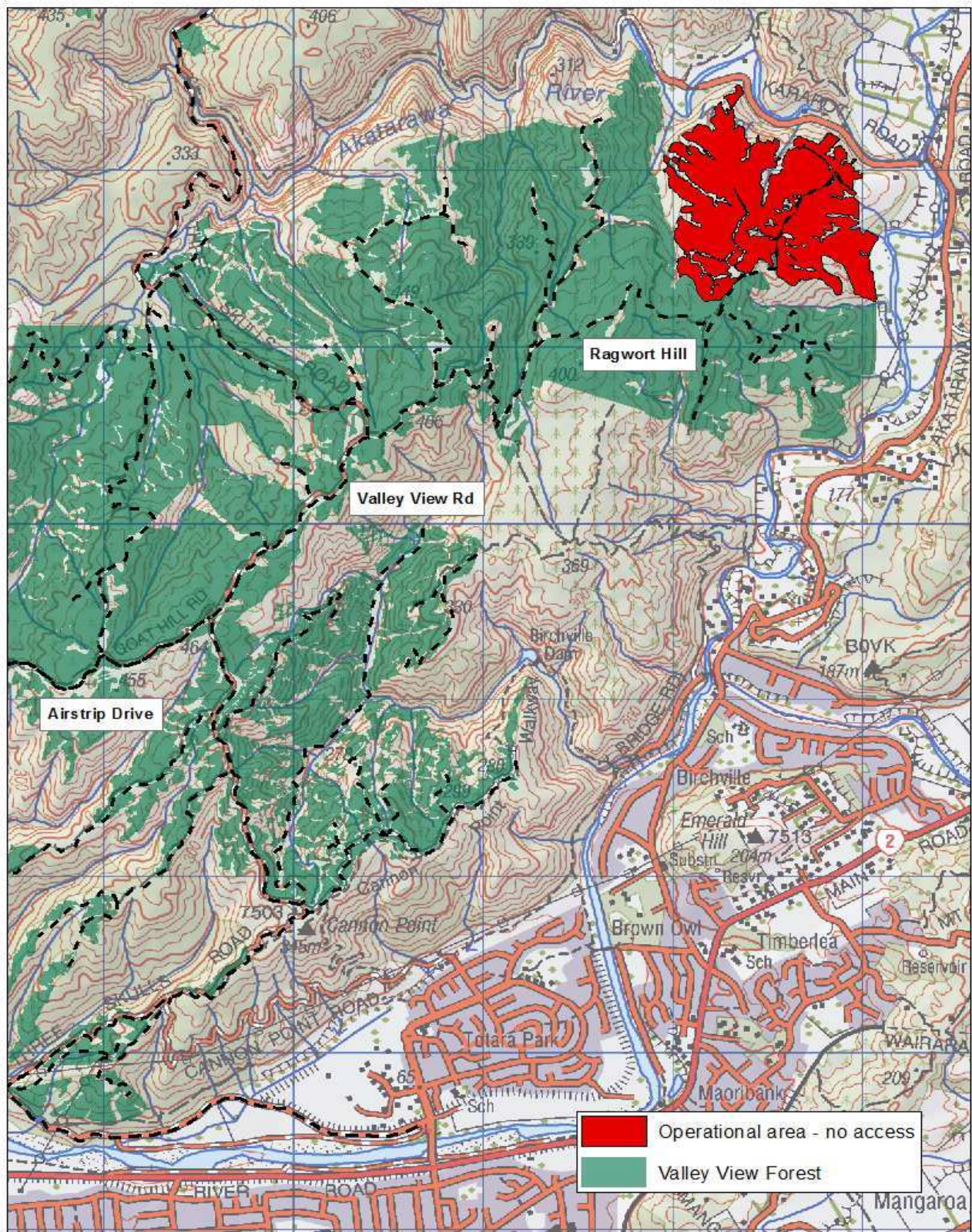
#### Hukinga Forest

**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**

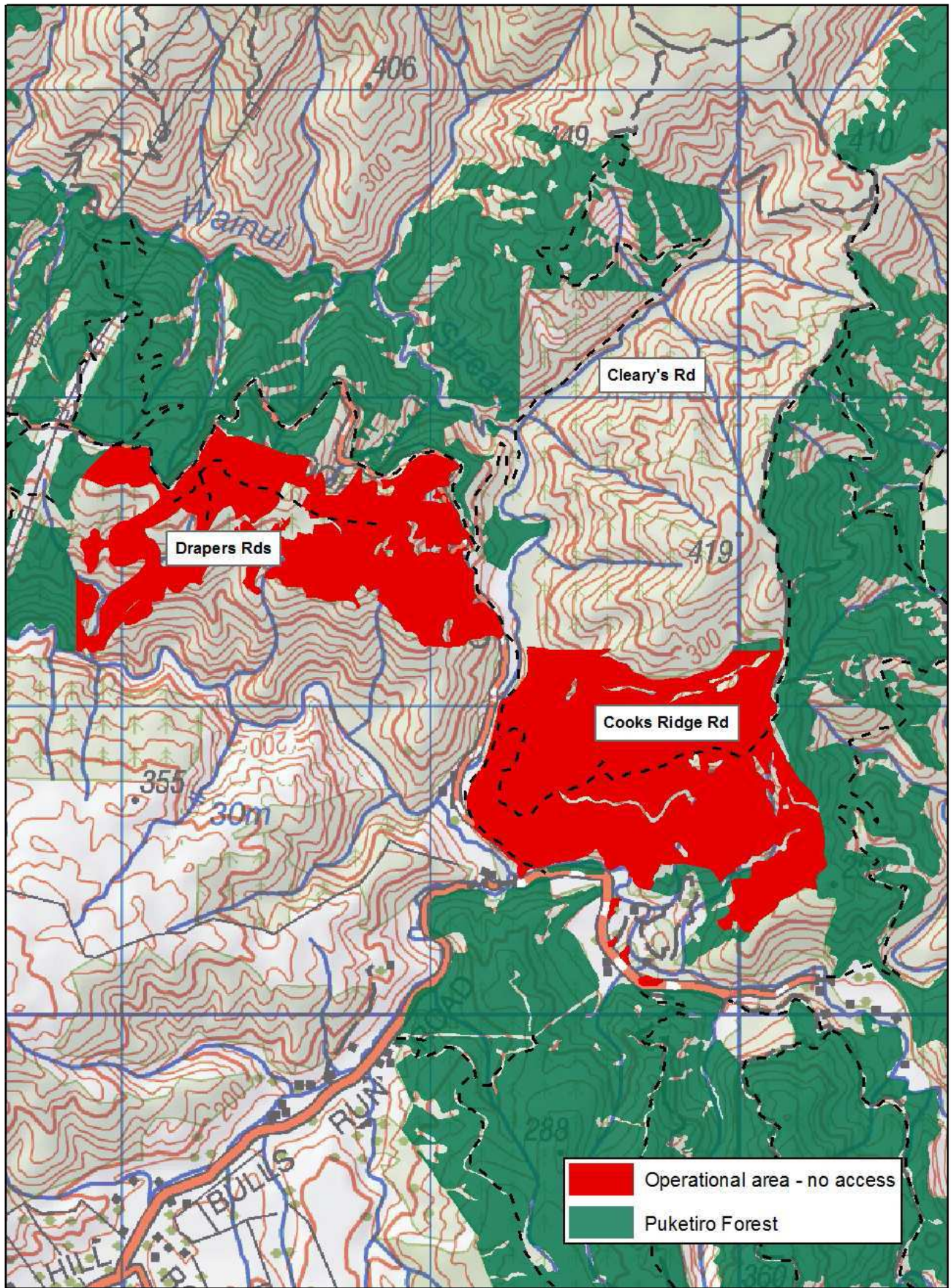
**All vehicles MUST give way to loaded logging trucks**

# Logging Crew Location Map



Valley View Forest

0 187.5 375 750 1,125 1,500 Meters



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.**
  - **19/10 - 30/11 Heavy machinery / excavator in use on Titi Road and Hydro Valley Road, Orange Hut Toitoti Rd.**
  - **2/11 – 30/11 Programmed maintenance along Hukinga road and Pram Track. Involves use of heavy machinery / excavator. Note; Pram track will be closed to vehicles**
- **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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1.14 <sup>th</sup> November 2015	Trentham Harriers		5 x 4WD	Fun Run	Rail Trail, Back Road

### 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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