



Forest Lands Weekly Event Calendar Friday 12th March 2021

Akatarawa Forest

At Covid alert level 1, 4WD trips, concessions and permitted organised groups need to keep contact tracing calendars and details. This can be done by downloading the NZ government Covid tracer app and signing in by using the QR codes located at forest entrances and Orange Hut. One member of the group/trip needs to keep a record of attendance for that group/trip. These may need to be produced if the Covid virus appears locally. GWRC no longer need these to be sent in after a trip or event.

Hand hygiene should still be adhered to handling gates and locks. Sanitise hands before and after using gates and locks. If unwell stay home.

Active logging areas remain off limits to all recreation. Adhere to signage.

Current:

- Any incidents resulting in fire or potential for fire are to be reported immediately Call 111
 - Due to the closure of Campbell Mill Road, for logging operations on the neighbouring landowners property (3/4 of the way up), please take extra care on Perhams Road as there is likely to be more mountain bike, horse and walking traffic entering via this route.
 - Rock Garden closed to 4WD due to track subsidence
 - Steep slopes above Puketiro Road from the 14km to 17km markers have had some old harvesting wastes (root balls and dead spars) loosened by recent weather conditions. Please do not stop on this section of road and be vigilant while passing through, as there is potential for woody material to move down slope towards you.
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- Caution is required when driving on all the forests roads. Hazards may include fallen trees, washouts debris and slips.
 - Speed Limit on Forest Roads 30km/h
 - Devils Staircase/Rock Garden route difficult terrain experienced trail/quad riders only
 - Extra care needed when using all ford crossing

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Date	Organisation	Contact	Vehicles	Event	Areas to be used
1. Saturday 13 th March 2021 – Sunday 14 th March 2021	CCVC	Phil Green	10 x 4WD	Club Trip	Totara Park Bulls run Valley View, airstrip, wool shed ,McGees, pram track, Hydra Valley, hydro Road, fenceline, Titi, whakatiki rimu Road clearys road Cooks Ridge puketiro Road blowfly
2. Saturday 13 th March 2021 – Sunday 14 th March 2021	Capital Cruisers 4WD Club	Marty Green	10 x 4WD	Club Trip	Valley view, Airstrip Dr, Rallywoods, McGhies, Pram track, Whakatiki Rd, Titi Rd, Orange hut. Hydro Rd, Hydro valley Rd, Rallywoods.
3. Saturday 13 th March 2021 – Sunday 14 th March 2021	CCVC	Frank Allan	10 x 4WD	Club Trip	Puketiro, Blowfly , Puketiro, Clearys, Toi Toi, Hydro, Orange Hut, Hydro Valley, Fenceline, Titi, Whakatikei Road, Pram Track, 3rd Crossing, McGhies, Woolshed, Airstrip, Valley View, Lindsays, Clark's Creek, Valley View Road
4. Saturday 13 th March 2021 – Sunday 14 th March 2021	CCVC	Dave De Martin	10 x 4WD	Club Trip	Cooks gate, Puketiro, Dicks, Blow fly, Hydro, 257, Slippery forest 1 and 2, Ruts, Whakatiki forest, devils staircase, whakatiki rd, Rimu rd, out Cooks gate

5. Saturday 13 th March 2021 – Sunday 14 th March 2021	Wellington Family 4x4 Club	Marcus Steeneken	10 x 4WD	Club Trip	Cooks Gate, Puketiro, Dicks Yard, Hydro Rd, Ruts, Slippery Forest, Whakatike, Rimu, Pram Track, Valley View, Totara Park
6. Saturday 13 th March 2021 – Sunday 14 th March 2021	Kapiti Family 4x4 Club	Jeff Whitehead	10 x 4WD	Club Trip	Perhams, titi, whakatiki, pram track, hukung, mchies, airstrip, Lindsey's, valley view, rallywoods, pukitiro, zig zag, clearys, toi toi, hydro, rimu, norms fenceline
7. Sunday 14 th March 2021	Kapi Mana ID 1401	Murray Dick	Motorcycles	Trail Ride 14 Mar 21 Route closed to other users	Entry MX track, Exit Puketiro Rd. Simple course, Cooks Ridge Rd, Upper Clearys, Toitoti Rd, Hydro Rd (Saddle-Zigzag), Puketiro Rd -Exit. Long Course from Hydro-Puketiro Intersection: Transmission Track, Yard Rd, Curtis Flat, Blowfly, Puketiro, Sticky, Dicks Yard, Rd 9, Puketiro Rd, South Centre Rd, Puketiro, Drapers (Native Loop), Puketiro -Exit.
8. Sunday 11 th April	Kapiti Motorcycle Club ID2421 To be approved	Grant Simpson	Motorbikes 4WD ,LUV.	Fundraiser trail ride Route closed to other users	Perhams rd, Whaklatikei rd, Norms Crossing, Hydro valley rd, Hydro rd-Orange hut, Ruts, Slippery forest, Fenceline, Titi rd
9. Saturday 17 th April 2021 – Sunday 18 th April 2021	Karapoti Classic	Michael Jacques	2 x 4WD	Karapoti Classic Reccie	Valley View, Hukung, Deadwood Ridge, Pram Track, Titi Road, Devils Staircase, Whakatiki,

10. Sunday 18 th April	Kapiti Motorcycle club ID2421 Back up date	Grant Simpson			
11. Sunday 6 th May 2021	Karapoti Classic	Michael Jacques	500 x Bikes	Karapoti Classic Forest Closed	Valley View, Hukinga, Deadwood Ridge, Pram Track, Titi Road, Devils Staircase, Whakatiki,

Akatarawa Forest Block

- Greater Wellington Regional Council Rangers will be on Duty throughout the Forest.
- **Whakatikei wetland closed to all motorised recreation users.**

Updated notice of possum control using 1080 baits applied by helicopter.

There is a need for predator control within the Akatarawa Forest to protect our vulnerable ecosystems and the forest will be closed to all visitors while the operation is being undertaken.

The proposed operation has been delayed, and has not commenced during the months of February-March as previously notified.

We are currently working with an interested party in relation to this planned activity and will be able to give you further updates once this process is concluded.

However, we expect that the operation will proceed mid-Autumn to winter 2021.

Non-toxic, tan coloured 'pre-feed' pellets will be applied, then 7-10 days after this, green coloured 1080 pellets containing the biodegradable pesticide (1080) will be applied. The operation is also weather dependant.

Following this control, extra care should be taken when visiting the Akatarawa Forest for the next four months, or until further notice.

Tips for staying safe once the 1080 baits have been applied.

- Strictly supervise all children.
- Baits and carcasses are deadly to dogs - consider alternate areas for dog walking.
- Hunting is not permitted, feral animals may contain toxin and should not be eaten,

For further information please see www.gw.govt.nz/1080ops/

Metro Plantation Forestry Akatarawa

Fire Danger

There are to be no fires lit and no cigarette smoking within the exotic forest estate. Any fires need to be reported to the Forest360 forest manager immediately after calling 111

Puketiro Forest

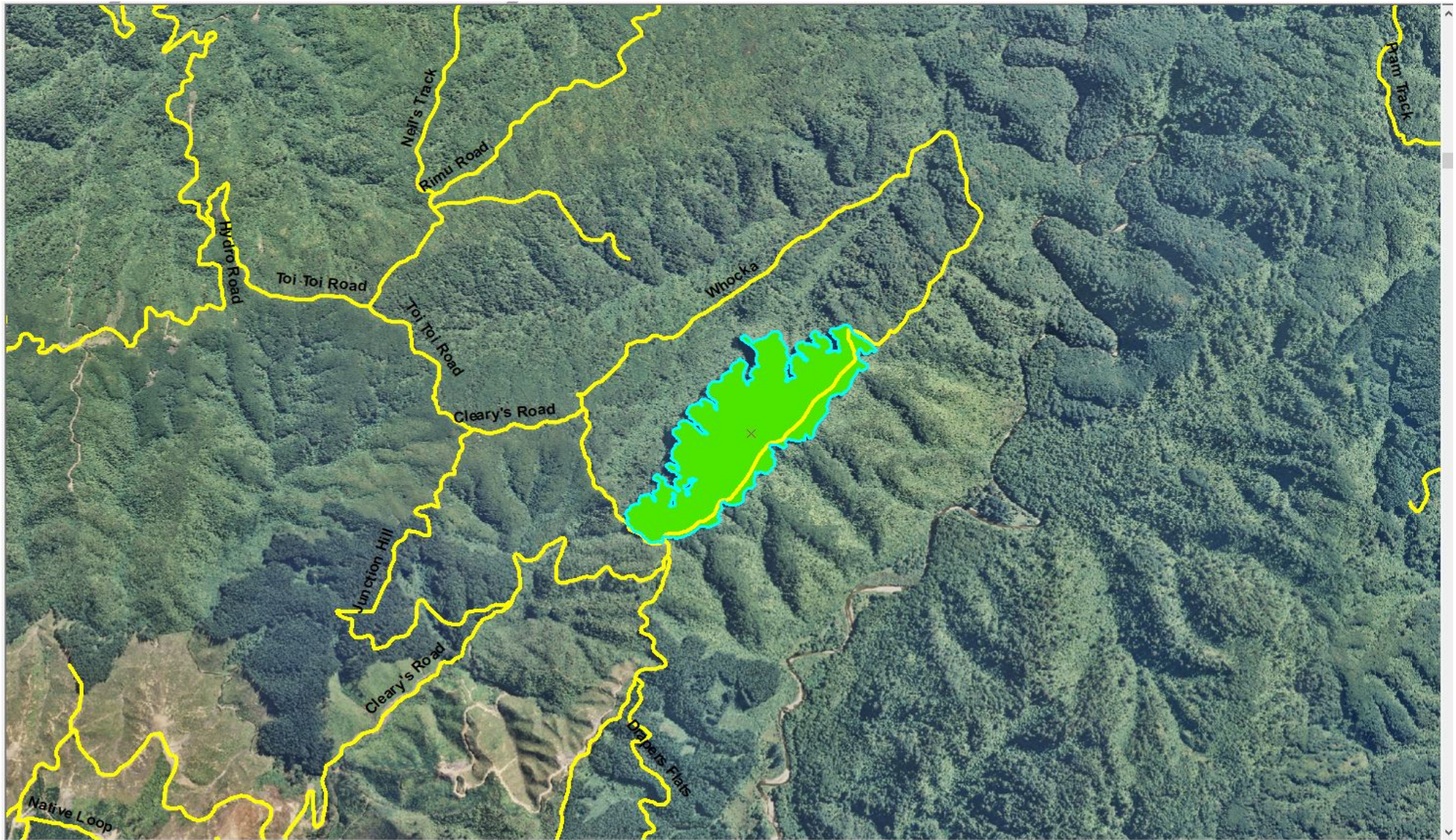
- Please note the radio frequency in this forest. All users must have FOMS1 for
- Thinning operations underway in the Dicks Yard and Road 9 areas. Road closures possible whilst roadside trees felled.
- Road grading for maintenance occurring over the next week. Operational signage in place. Grader may not hear radios due to cab noise. Take care on the roads.
- Harvesting operations underway in Junction Hill block. Logging traffic using Cooks Ridge access.
- Cleary's Road from Cooks Ridge to the Wainui Stream will be blocked whilst harvesting operations are underway. Use Cooks Ridge access off Puketrito Road as an alternative.

Valley View Forest

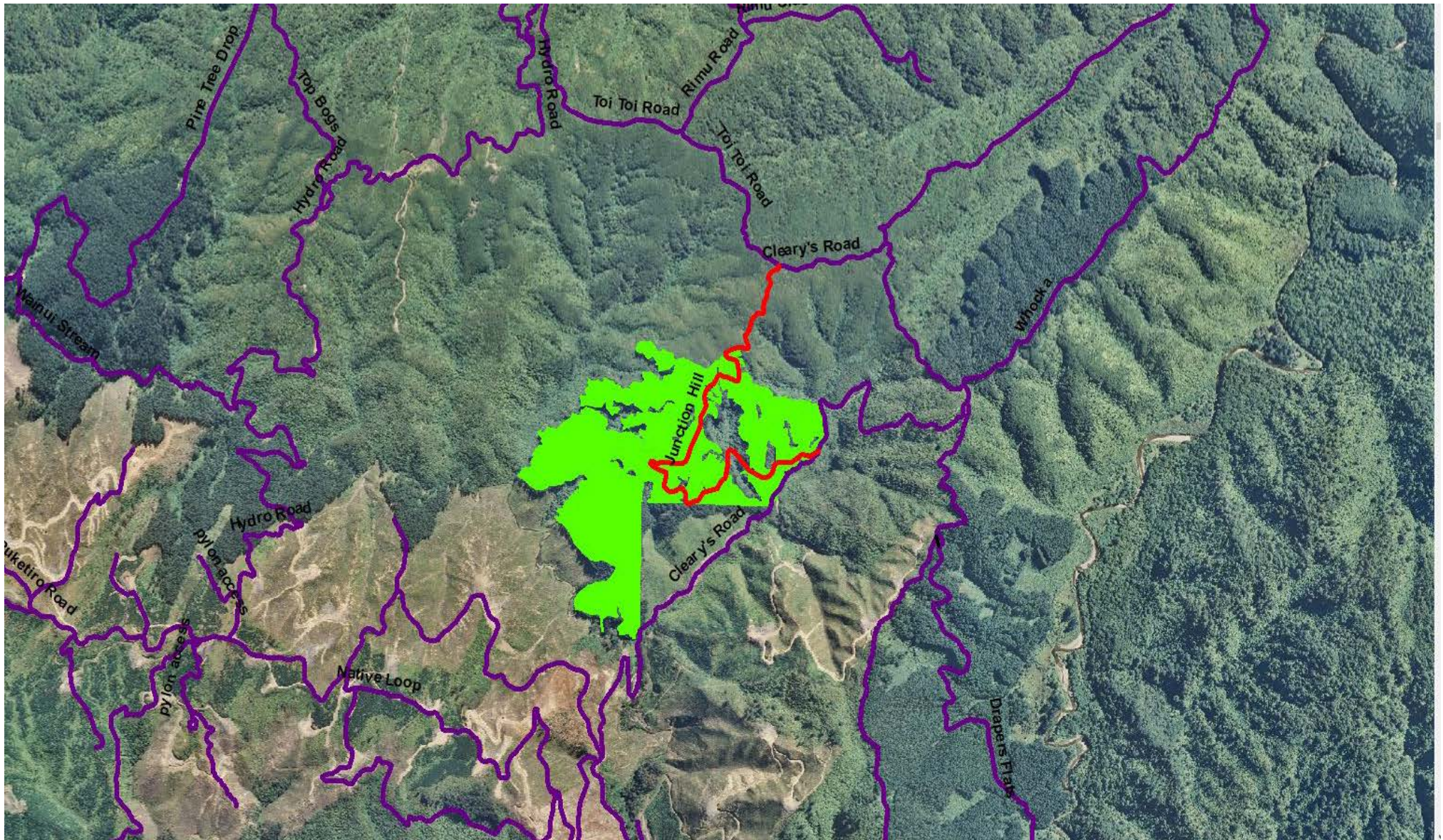
Please note the radio frequency change in this forest. All users must now have FOMS1 for communicating.

- Road grading for maintenance occurring over the next week. Operational signage in place. Grader may not hear radios due to cab noise. Take care on the roads.

Radio communication on these roads at all times



Whocka Block Forest Harvesting Operations



Junction Hill

Metro Plantation Forestry Pakuratahi

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- Hydromowing on Back road carpark and Pig Gully track Pakuratahi Forest

Mangaroa Forest

- Earthworks operations underway in Mangaroa Forest in the area of Colletts Stream. Operational signage in place.

Maymorn Forest

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**The speed limit in the Forests 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 ADJACENT TO
LOGGING ROADS**

All vehicles MUST give way to loaded logging trucks



**Pakuratahi Forest Weekly Calendar
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Pakuratahi Forest

- Greater Wellington Regional Council Rangers will be on Duty throughout the Forest.

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KNE Feral Ungulate Hunting Schedule Akatarawa and Pakuratahi Forests

Akatarawa Forest Block

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Pakuratahi Forest

- 14th - 20th May 2021