

# OPERATIONAL BIOSECURITY

We're all responsible for making it happen



## CONFERENCE PURPOSE

The conference will raise awareness of operational forest biosecurity and provide lessons from other sectors.

Plantation Forestry is a 'dirty' industry and relatively few precautions are currently taken to avoid the spread of pests both within and between forests and even islands.

Is this something that needs to change? What is the risk to the industry in carrying on the way we do?

### VENUE:

Rimu Room, Scion: 49 Sala Street, Rotorua

Take action and responsibility for making it happen!

## DAY ONE

10 - 12

Find-A-Pest App training (all welcome - see separate flyer)  
Forest Biosecurity Committee meeting (*members only*)

12 p m

Lunch (*sponsored by MPI*)

1 - 3 p m

Joint Biosecurity Forum (*chair MPI*) (*see separate agenda*)

The MPI / FOA joint biosecurity forum is an interactive session that aims to promote discussion and debate on issues across the biosecurity system. It is an opportunity for both organisations to share what they been working on in the past 12 months, and to plan future collaborations.

### AFTERNOON BREAK - 20 MINS

3 : 20 p m

*Keynote speaker John Roche* – MPI Chief Science Advisor – “A view from the other side of the fence”.

5 p m

Drinks – technical visit – technical presentations. Visit the displays and hear about the latest technologies over a beer or wine.

6 : 30 p m

Dinner – Urbano Bistro: 289 Fenton St, Rotorua.

## DAY TWO

8 : 30 a m

Introduction – *Conference Chair* (TBC)  
Scene setting, purpose of the conference.

8 : 45 a m

Senior speaker to open the conference (TBC)

9 a m

*Dave Cormack* – “Why the focus on operational biosecurity this year and what have we achieved since last year?”

9 : 30 a m

“Biosecurity Readiness – What’s happening in the forest industry?”

### MORNING TEA BREAK - 30 MINS

10 : 30 a m

Session Introduction – Keeping an eye out for pests

Content for this session to be confirmed but will include updates on the forest biosecurity surveillance programme, forest pest diagnostics, PineNet, the general surveillance app from Scion, and the HRSS.

### PANEL DISCUSSION

### LUNCH - 30 MINS

1 p m

*Karyn Froud* – “Forest Operational Readiness – what do we need to do to be better prepared?”

Hearing from other sectors (Kiwifruit Vine Health and Viticulture NZ) about what they do in biosecurity.

### DISCUSSION

3 p m

Wrap up and conclusions, including action items for 2020 and areas for improvement.

The conference will conclude by 3:30pm

