NZIF successful in bid to obtain "Registered Forestry Consultant" Trade Mark

The NZIF has received notification from the Commissioner of Trade Marks that it has been successful in obtaining registration for the Trade Mark "Registered Forestry Consultant". This represents the culmination of an application process that has taken three years to meet statutory documentation and notification requirements.

The NZIF Registration Board sought to protect the title "Registered Forestry Consultant" with the implementation of the new registration process in 1996. The NZIF Registration Scheme evolved from the NZIF Consultant Recognition Scheme and represents an important step forward in the development and promotion of professional standards in New Zealand forestry. It reflects a response by the NZIF to the need for an increased level of quality assurance on the advice being given within the forestry sector.

Protection of title is seen as an integral part of the registration process. The NZIF now has the exclusive right to use the Trade Mark. Only members of the NZIF who have successfully been registered under the provisions of the NZIF Constitution are eligible to use the title "Registered Forestry Consultant".

The NZIF has also successfully registered the Trade Mark "Recognised Forestry Consultant" in order to protect the title used under the previous NZIF Consultant Recognition Scheme. This was done to prevent further use of this old title that could have caused confusion to the public.

Bruce Manley

Applicants for Registration and Review

The following people have applied to become Registered Forestry Consultants:

Lawrie Halkett Peter Lissington Nelson Marton

The following Registered Forestry Consultants have applied for their Five Yearly Review:

Bruce Willis Harry Saunders Alan Ogle

Dave Jervis Geoff Thorp Nicholas Bunting Michael Wilcox

John Keating Peter Clark Greg Molloy

Peter Keach Ian Page

Under the NZIF constitution, any members of the Institute may send objections in writing within 20 days of Journal publication to: The Registrar, NZIF Registration Board, PO Box 1340, Rotorua

Continued Professional Development

May 3-5, New Zealand Institute of Forestry, Leadership in the NZ Forestry Sector, Parkroyal Hotel, Wellington. James Barton; fax: 04-474 4206; bartonj@maf.govt.nz

June 24, 1999 Carbon credits seminar. Organised by Canterbury section. Contact Rob Miller 03 348-4933 or Hugh Stevenson 03 318-8311.

June 10-13, Wood for Africa 99, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. Fax: (27) 331 94 5139

The Tropical Forest Resource Group, Oxford Forestry Institute will be running two courses this summer. The courses are:

5 July - 6 August 1999, Trees, Tenure and Farmers: Recent Approaches Towards Livelihood Improvement in Rural Areas. Cape Province, South Africa, Cost: £2 100.

July 7 - September 19, Current Methods in Tropical Forestry, Oxford, UK, Cost: £7 440.

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August 26, 1999 Environmental certification seminar. Organised by Canterbury section. Contact Rob Miller 03 348-4933 or Hugh Stevenson 03 318-8311.

October 8, Edinburgh Centre for Tropical Forests, at the Moredun Research Institute, Pentlands Science Park Edinburgh (Preliminary Announcement).

"Decision Trees": understanding individual, collective and policy decisions on forestry in northern and southern countries. The focus is on household, community and planner decision making in relation to forestry, with parallels being drawn between economic and social assessments in temperate and tropical situations. Further information is available on: www.nmw.ac.uk/ectf/decisions.html

November 18-19, New Zealand Sapstain Symposium, Rotorua. Organised by Forest Research. Contact Robin Wakeling or Bernhard Kreber. wakelinr@fri.cri.nz

August 7-12 2000, XXI IUFRO World Congress, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.

"Forests and Society: The Role of Research", International Union of Forestry Research Organizations.

For more information about the Congress and for obtaining a copy of the Congress Information Package, IUFRO News Vol. 27, 1998, Issue 4, please contact:

XXI IUFRO World Congress Organising Committee, Forest Research Institute Malaysia (FRIM), Kepong, 52109 Kuala Lumpur, MALAYSIA, Tel: +603-6372135/6352564, Fax: + 603-6365687/6367753.

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