# **MEDIA RELEASE**



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## Forestry Industry Heads for the Hills

**EVENT APRIL 20 ENNGELLA** // Is a portable timber saw mill the option for sustainable forestry in our region? Landholders attending the Forestry Field Day in Eungella, Thursday April 20 will have the opportunity to see a portable saw mill in action and hear from forestry industry experts.

Di Williams owner of forestry plantation at her property *Wanemya* in Engella said, "the cost of sending felled timber to a mill can be prohibitive, a portable mill is the answer to a small scale forestry industry."

Forestry is a long term agricultural industry, a usual rotation is about 20 years depending on the timbers you grow, so landholders really need to do their homework before planting.

Peter Alden from Whitsunday Catchment Landcare said "its helpful to visit a platation to see the realities of forestry in our region, especially directly after recent weather events."

Managing the safety aspect of felling trees is practical knowledge that will be demonstrated on the day. The presentations will also cover dproperty planning and management techniques.

#### Event contributors:













#### **MACKAY GRAZING FORUM**

Date: Thursday 20 April 2017
Time: 10:00am to 2:00pm close
Venue: "Wanemya" Eungella
Cost: Free, lunch provided

**Program:** Click here to view the full day's program.

#### **MEDIA**

Best time for media interviews: 11am, please phone to let us know you will be attending.

### **ENDS**

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