

From: Elizabeth M Hogg
Sent: 27 January 2009 18:52
To: liz.kirk@forestry.gsi.gov.uk
Subject: Climate Bill Change - Forestry Proposals

My husband has worked in the private sector of forestry for over 35 years and is very concerned about the ill conceived idea regarding the climate bill change - forestry proposals. Not enough thought has been put into this strategy with regard to entering into joint ventures and offering long term leases and cutting rights on parts of the national forest estate.

The proceeds raised from transferring the monies from leases and cutting rights should be ring fenced within the forest industry for climate change mitigation. I am sure there are many other actions which should be taken to allow the public and private sector to contribute to Scotland's target of reducing omissions by 80% by 2050. The whole proposal has a very demoralising effect on FES Scotland staff and also raises considerable concerns for the continued employment of people involved in the private sector forestry (including my husband) who is third generation of a family who has been involved in forestry for over 140 years.

This proposal would not allow private companies to make the considerable investments that are required to remain at the tip of the tree in the sawmilling and processing sector. The proposals as a whole should be scrapped and revisited in a more professional manner using consultants and professionals within the home grown timber industry.

Elizabeth M Hogg

This email was received from the INTERNET and scanned by the Government Secure Intranet anti-virus service supplied by Cable&Wireless in partnership with MessageLabs. (CCTM Certificate Number 2007/11/0032.) In case of problems, please call your organisation's IT Helpdesk.
Communications via the GSi may be automatically logged, monitored and/or recorded for legal purposes.