

# What steps should I take in planting a forest?

## Due diligence

- Land titles including easements
- Past land use
- Council restrictions including restrictions on land clearing
- Carbon eligibility & profile
- Rainfall and land conditions
- Wood productivity
- Wind and fire risk
- NES zoning and issues
- Area for planting
- Costings including clearing and roading
- MPI confirmation of carbon eligible area and criteria
- Availability of planting grant

## Investment structure

- Target rates of return
- Dividend requirements
- Use of debt
- Remaining equity requirement
- Joint venture options
- Land lease options
- Out right sale of land for forestry

## Expressions of interest

- Site preparation
- Fencing and pest control
- Tree stocks
- Planting and release
- Fertiliser
- Thinning, if any
- Future harvest & replant
- ETS registration
- Carbon returns
- Carbon forward sale