

The Forest Newsfeed:

COMMUNICATING FORESTRY IN THE CONNECTED AGE



**INSTITUTE OF FORESTERS
OF AUSTRALIA**



New Zealand Institute of Forestry
- Te Pūhaki Ngāhātahere o Aotearoa Incorporated -

*Australian and New Zealand Institutes of Forestry
(ANZIF) joint conference*

**ANZIF
Conference
25–28 August
2019**

CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS

Jim Carle



Purpose of ANZIF Conferences:

- Provide a unique opportunity for IFA, NZIF & Pacific foresters to exchange ideas, learn from each other & combine knowledge & experiences towards improving forestry in Australia, NZ & the Asia Pacific region
- Reflect how foresters in Australia, NZ & Asia Pacific address topical issues, challenges & communicate roles that forestry can play in an innovative green economy & engage with those who represent changing societal needs of forests & forestry
- Prepare a resolution of recommended actions for IFA & NZIF commitment emerging from the ANZIF conference



Photo: ANZIF May 2011,
Riverhead Forest Field Trip, NZ

ANZIF 2015 Conference Resolutions (1): Support for Indigenous Forest Management

- Recognize traditional rights of indigenous people to access & care for their indigenous forests
- Understand potential contributions that these indigenous forests can make to indigenous peoples' environmental, social & economic development
- Recognize substantial number of individual initiatives & projects & strongly endorse the scientific expertise within the ANZIF network that can enable these communities & their forests to achieve their potential



Photo: Karri & Jarrah forests, south-west,
WA Australia 2009

ANZIF 2015 Conference Resolutions (2): Forest Fire Management

- Adopt a forward looking fire management position with a strong focus on proactive land management mitigation measures balanced against an operational fire response focus
- Encourage IFA & NZIF to:
 - Review current fire-related policies
 - Endorse National Bushfire Management Policy Statement for Forests & Rangelands
 - Endorse National Research priorities to 2020 & beyond for bushfires
 - Encourage Australian Federal & State & New Zealand governments to provide adequate funds to reduce the fire risk, reduce the cost of fire response & the total expenditure on fire.



Photo: Wildfire event 2006 briefing
Australia-NZ fire fighters, Victoria

ANZIF 2015 Conference Resolutions (3): Carbon Forestry

- Support the role of forests & forest products in mitigating climate change
- Acknowledge the Australian Government efforts to facilitate public & private investment in innovative & flexible carbon forestry activities.
- Urge that a component of the Emission Reduction Fund be allocated to research to support the credibility & evolution of carbon forestry

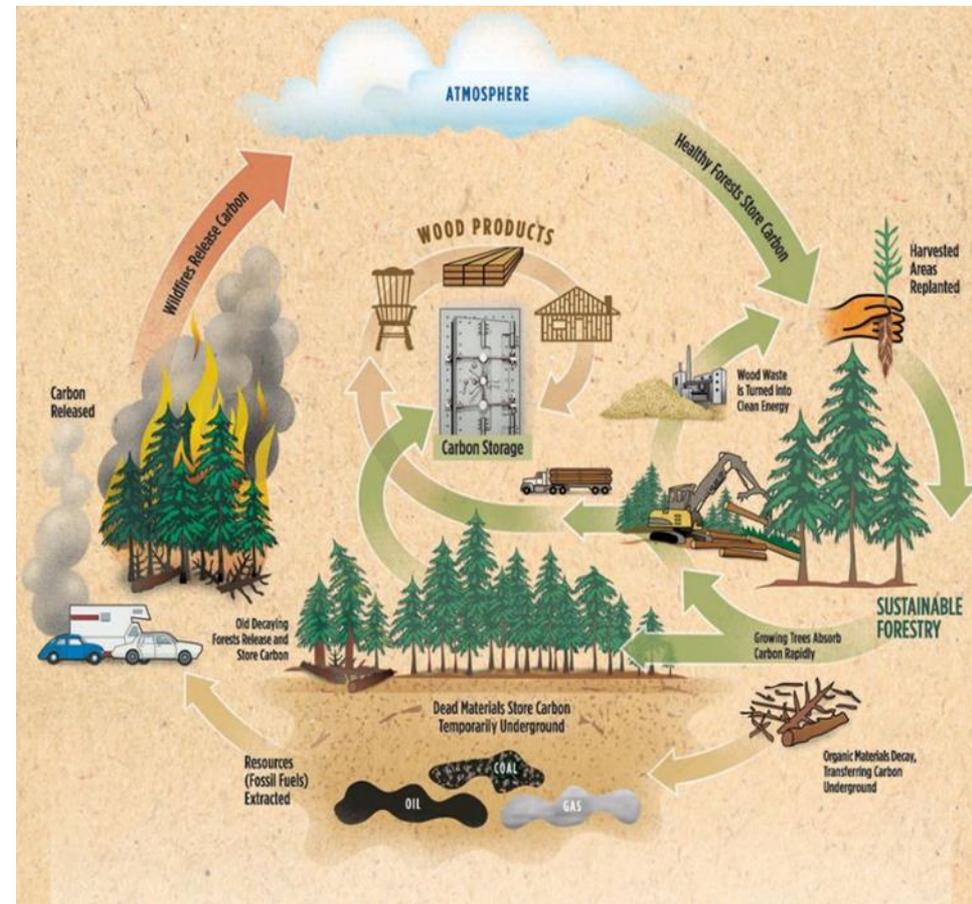


Figure: Forest Carbon Cycle Poster, Society of American Foresters

ANZIF 2015 Conference Resolutions (4):

“Foresters Without Borders” - Assist Asia Pacific countries

- Support & endorse the work of “Foresters Without Borders” & their first project to assist Vanuatu Forestry & the Ni Vanuatu community
- Request continued support from ANZIF Members & supporters by donating through the web portal:

www.chuffed.org/projects/rebuilding-Vanuatu-Forestry



Photo: IFA Nursery Assistance, Mataso Island in 2017; post- Cyclone Pam, 2015

ANZIF 2015 Conference Resolutions (5): Integrating Forests and Agriculture

- Note 1: farmers make landscape decisions that affect 70% of Australia in which most trees were cleared for pasture & cropping
- Note 2: Up to 20% of agricultural landscapes could be planted to trees without negative impacts on agricultural production
- Recognize integrating strategically planted & managed trees & forests in farms can:
 - Support agriculture - shade & shelter
 - Underpin the resilience of the farming landscape & reduce land degradation
 - Reduce off-farm environmental impacts e.g. improved water quality
- Promote shared scientific knowledge & practices in design, management & utilisation of multipurpose forests & integrate trees & forests in agriculture.



Photo: NZ land-use & cattle under Australian Eucalypts

ANZIF 2015 Conference Resolutions (6):

Collaboration with Duchy of Cornwall to enhance SFM worldwide.

- Resolve to work with His Royal Highness Prince Charles via Geraint Richards, Head Forester, Duchy of Cornwall
- Agree to explore forestry opportunities & develop initiatives in order that our organisations & institutes can work towards SFM in Australia, NZ & internationally



Photo: Geraint Richards, Head Forester, Duchy of Cornwall, speaking at ANZIF 2015, Creswick, VIC

ANZIF 2019 Conference Resolution Process:

- ANZIF 2019, under the theme “*Communicating Forestry in the Connected Age*” will have presentations & discussions in plenary & concurrent sessions & side events 25-27 Aug & field trip 28 Aug
- Chairs of ANZIF plenary & concurrent sessions & side events will:
 - Provide background to their session
 - Introduce presenters & presentations
 - Facilitate discussions
 - Draw out feedback on achievements on the recommended actions from ANZIF 2015 (if appropriate)
 - Prepare bullets reflecting emerging issues & recommended actions from their session for ANZIF 2019
 - E-mail: Session Title, Date, Chair Name, Mobile No & Bullets (emerging issues & recommended actions) to Jim Carle, Convenor of the Resolution Group, E-mail: carle.jim@gmail.com Mobile 021-2054024
- Resolution Group: Presidents, IFA & NZIF; Organizers, ANZIF 2019; Session Chairs & Convenor
- Key recommended actions will be presented at end ANZIF 2019
- Formal ANZIF 2019 Resolutions agreed by Presidents IFA & NZIF & distributed post-conference