

## Fencing

The recent fires have destroyed or badly damaged most of KIPT's boundary and internal fencing. Our farmer neighbours have an urgent need to replace fencing.

### *Policy*

KIPT will cooperate with neighbours where we have shared boundary fences giving proper regard to their imperatives and preferred timing.

KIPT will take the opportunity presented by the fires to:

- put replacement fences on the cadastral boundaries;
- re-establish or create vegetation breaks on both sides of all fences to the maximum practical extent; and
- clear away (and properly dispose of) all old fencing materials.

KIPT default forms of fence will be:

- areas expected to be replanted to *E. globulus* wildlife exclusion
- areas expected to be replanted to *P. radiata* livestock fence

KIPT will promptly develop and publish a specification for each fence type. We will develop a costing for each fence type. Those costings will then be the start point for determining the allocation of costs between KIPT and our neighbours.

KIPT will respectfully consider alternative fence configurations

### **How do I get payment?**

KIPT will require a copy of the invoice for the full cost of the fence from the contractor, plus an invoice from you for half the cost. Please send these to [dave.malone@pfolsen.com](mailto:dave.malone@pfolsen.com) or drop in to 70 Dauncey Street, Kingscote. If your insurer is paying for the fence, instruct them to contact us for reimbursement.

### **Can KIPT supply its half of the materials?**

KIPT has no more ability (and probably less) to acquire scarce fencing materials than our neighbours. Each farmer has different requirements so we ask that you acquire the materials yourself and we will pay half the cost.

### **What about fence post production at the Heartland Hub (former timber mill)?**

The old mill site on Timber Creek Road suffered fire damage on January 9. Production experts are visiting the site on Monday to assess it and see when we can get production going, using timber from our damaged pine plantations. We are unsure if we can do creosote posts. Our plant is equipped only for CCA at this time. We will know more next week.

### **What about your share of labour?**

KIPT is employing a small team of labourers to assist in fencing. We expect they will start work in two to three weeks. Anyone interested in employment with us is urged to contact Monique Hayward at Workskil ([moniqueh@workskil.com.au](mailto:moniqueh@workskil.com.au), 0432 901 864). You do not have to register with Workskil in order to register your interest for a job with KIPT. We have contracted Monique to act in a recruitment capacity for us. Our crews will work alongside BlazeAid and farmers wherever needed, with first priority to our farmer neighbours.

### **How do we know if it's one of your plantations?**

At the KIPT website ([www.kipt.com.au](http://www.kipt.com.au)), under the "What we Own" tab you can see a map that shows you which are our plantations. If you need a contact for one of the independent forest owners, please contact me.

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