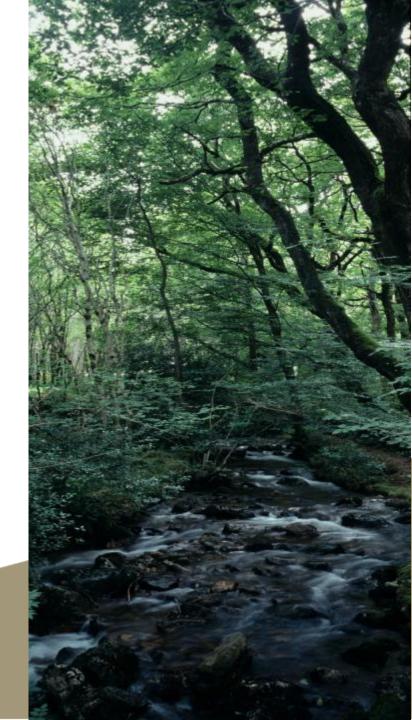
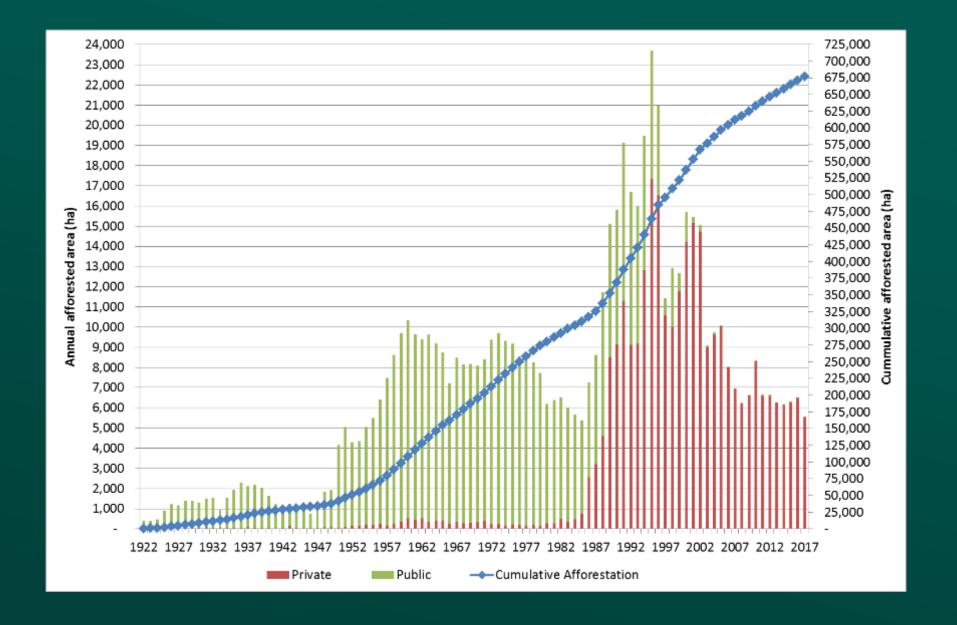


Forestry Referrals

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Forestry Referral Process

All referrals to the Forest Service, DAFM will all be in Excel format, similar to ASSAP referrals but will not contain mitigation options.

Restore Referrals will be sent when forestry is identified as currently impacting water quality. In these cases, LAWPRO will identify the issue, source of pressure if identified etc.

FS/DAFM will identify owners and work with them to implement appropriate measures, where measures are required and report the outcome back to LAWPRO.

Forestry Referral Process

All forestry operations are subject to licence.

- Protect referrals can be sent in two scenarios:
 - a) There is evidence that a past decline was due to forestry operations and the waterbody may have recovered. However, there is potential for similar operations to cause future declines. This can be accomplished at Desk Study stage.
 - b) LCA has identified increased risk from future forestry operations. These can include drains through the riparian zone, features (streams) that have no buffer among others.

In either of these scenarios the waterbody can currently be meeting its objective or be impacted by a different pressure. If it is currently impacted by forestry, then a restore referral is more appropriate.

- Upon receiving a Protect Referral the Forest Service will add it to their system so that in the future when an inspector is
 assessing a licence application in the waterbody, they will know that LAWPRO have made a protect referral for that waterbody.
 This may include a note to contact FS Environment Section or LAWPRO. FS Environment Section will also include an
 interpretation report for Forestry Inspectors.
- The inspector will be able to add conditions to the license suitable to protect water quality from the risk identified by LAWPRO.











