Possibilities for developing the forest practices system – a biodiversity perspective

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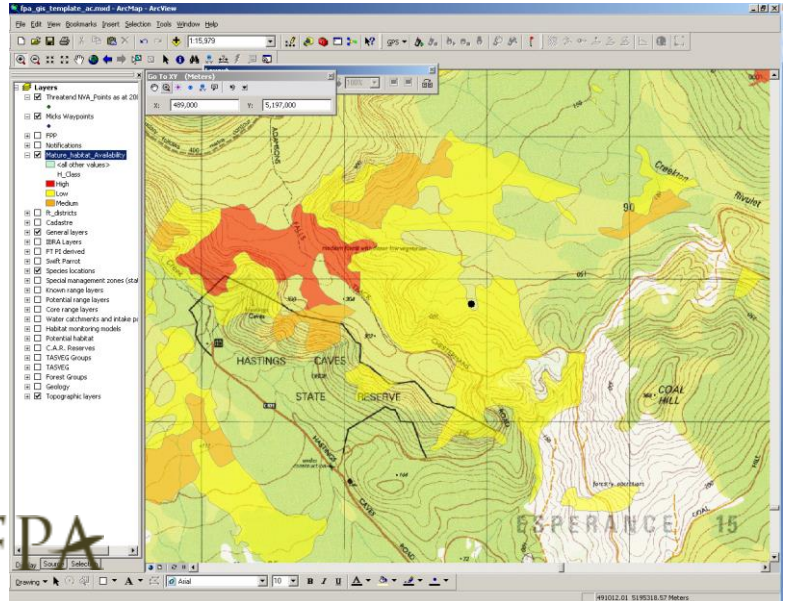
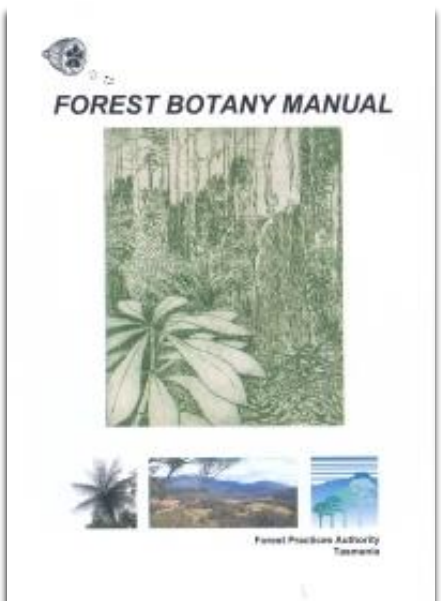
Scale

- Need a more landscape approach
  - Overcome problems before coupe-level planning
  - Mature forest
  - Catchment management

Planning tools

- Develop planning tools that work at the different spatial scales (eg landscape planning)
- Make planning tools more user-friendly (e.g. phone apps)





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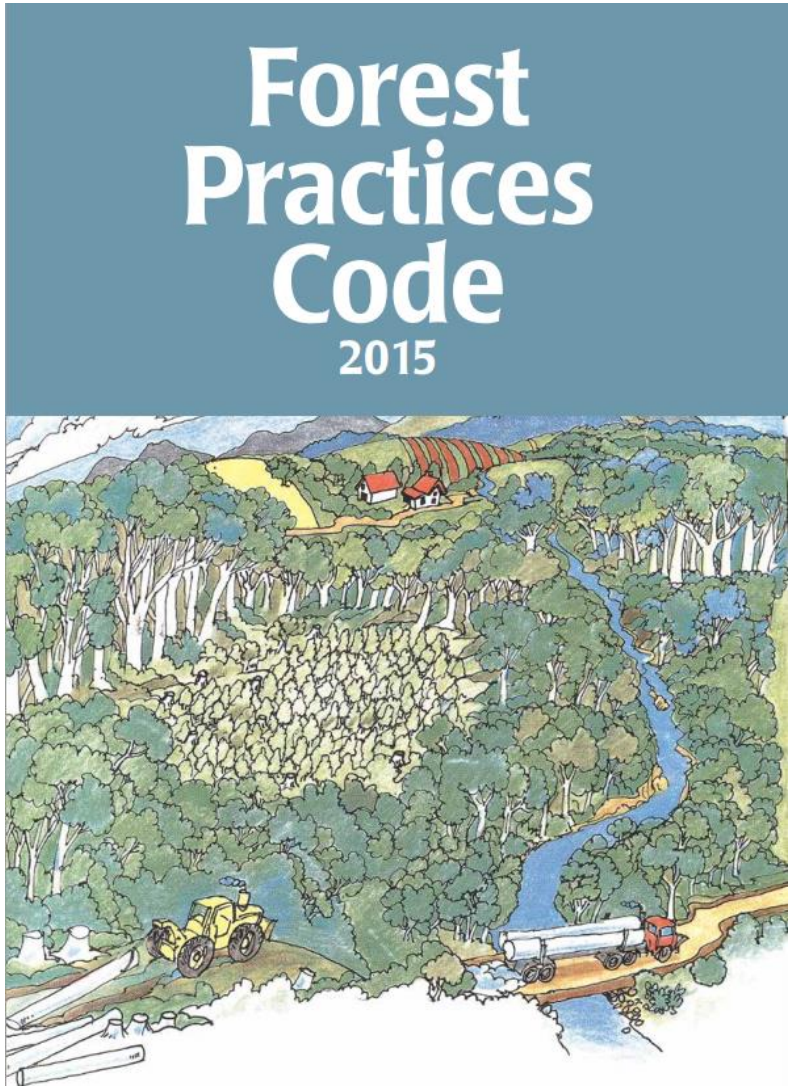
More monitoring

- Implementation and effectiveness of measures (eg VMAs)
- Get shapefiles of all coupes, to facilitate monitoring and future planning
  - Recording and mapping of areas retained for forest practices reasons (eg. vulnerable land)

Legal context

- Look into how 'social and economic' factors can/should be balanced with environmental factors
  - Duty of care, private versus public land
  - Offsetting and compensation options



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Communication

- Communicate to ENGOs and the public about how the system works
- Maintaining relationships with stakeholders and DPIPWE
- Improve ability for FPOs to provide feedback
- Training!!

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