

Forum on Mallees and revegetation

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Forum/Discussion on the different forms of projects

- Oil Mallee Carbon Plantings - -
- Integrated, block
- Mixed Revegetation projects
- Bioenergy projects
- Hybrid projects

Oil Mallee Carbon Plantings - Integrated, block

- History of integrated plantings
- Tendency to “block” plantings
- Reasons for both
- Can the integrated approach be sustained ?
- Proposed designrules quite restrictive
- New evidence increasing rainfall
 - Does it apply to both approaches

Mixed Revegetation projects

- Good rationale for “putting back the mulga”
- Can produce rich biodiversity values.
- Does it apply across all landscapes?

Bioenergy projects

- These projects have quite specific requirements related to harvesting
- Can the resource availability be planned?
- The displacement of fossil fuel cannot be counted
- RET is relevant as it pulls through a price
- “field of dreams” or chicken and egg”

Hybrid projects

- Bioenergy / biofuels and carbon (long run average cumulative of harvest regime)
- Mix of carbon/bioenergy projects with reveg to enable compliance with design rules
- Mix of integrated and block planting to achieve compliance
- The availability of defaults is crucial for farmer investment in projects – it also enables choice