

Comments on Environmental Policy Branch Public Consultation on New Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) (Agriculture) Regulations

- Page 18 , Summary flow-chart of the new EIA rural restructuring rules - Within top right hand side 'No' box, after 'subject to other legislation' add – 'e.g. Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 (due to be revoked and replaced by the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006)'.
- Page 19, Q 2.10 – Guidance is required as to where and how these EIA Regulations will relate to the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2000 (due to be revoked and replaced by the Environmental Impact Assessment (Forestry) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 2006).
- Page 21, para 52,
line 4 – should be 1 hectare for deforestation;
line 5 – after afforestation insert 'where no part of the land is in a sensitive area, and 0.5 hectares for deforestation and 2 hectares for afforestation where any part of the land is in a sensitive area'.