

## **PGP Steepland Harvesting Programme Quarterly Report Summary, April to June 2012**

During this quarter good progress was made with most major milestones completed, with only minor delays on two milestones.

These delays were due to technical difficulties with prototypes and machinery, but work to complete the milestones has been incorporated into the 2012/13 work plan and will not impact on programme funding or deliverables.

The main achievement of the programme to date has been completing the construction of the steep slope feller buncher prototype.

Field trials on the steep slope feller prototype will take place in the coming months. Additional work has been incorporated and in some instances brought forward to compensate for the minor delays.

Overall this programme continues to realise substantial productivity gains for forestry through developing innovative harvesting technologies on steep country.