

# Bio-energy and the European pulp and paper industry – an impact assessment

Summary of a study conducted by McKinsey & Company and Pöyry Forest Industry Consulting

## Our key message



The Forest based industries are the key enabler for policy makers to meet the ambitious renewable energy targets



the right policies are put in place.

# The challenge: 20/20/20 by 2020



#### Political context

Climate change considerations

Higher relevance of security of energy supply

#### Policy implications

**CO<sub>2</sub> abatement**: 20% reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2020

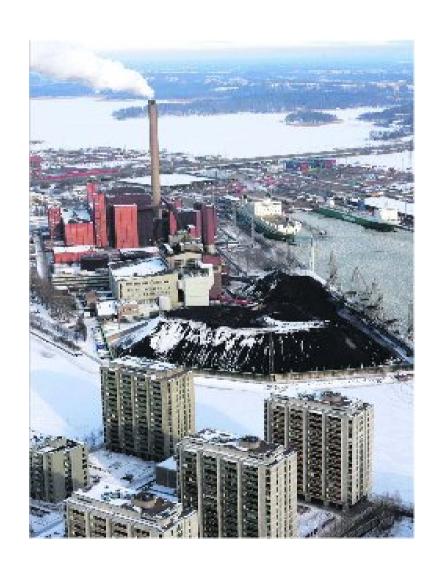
Energy efficiency: 20% less energy consumed in 2020 than "business-as-usual"

Renewable energy: 20% of consumed energy in 2020 from renewable sources

**Biofuels**: 10% of all transportation fuels from bio-sources by 2020 (part of renewables)

# How big are the ambitions?



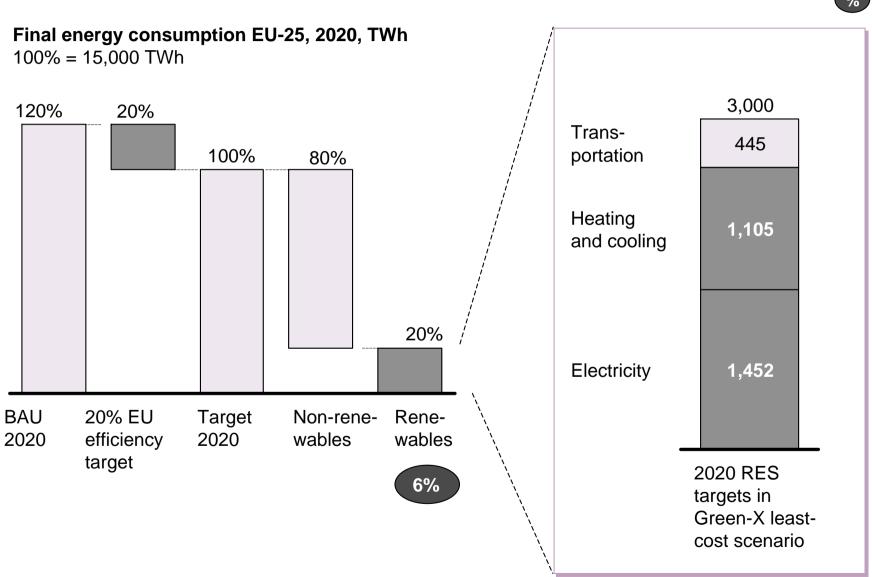




# The Commission's and the national governments' ambitions on energy efficiency and renewables (RES) are high



% 2005 share



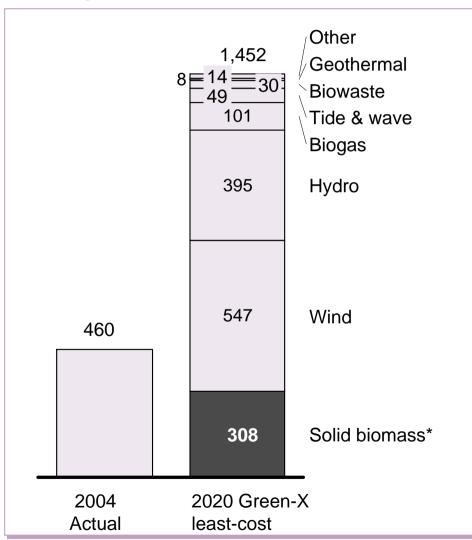
Source: Renewable energy road map, Green-X

#### Solid biomass will need to play a critical role to meet the RES targets

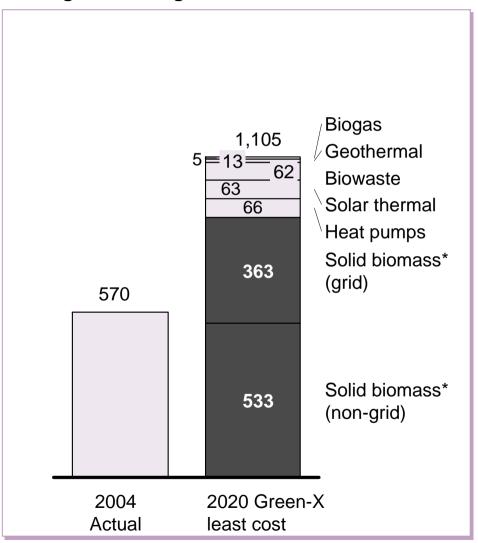
TWh energy output, EU-25



#### **Electricity**



#### **Heating and cooling**



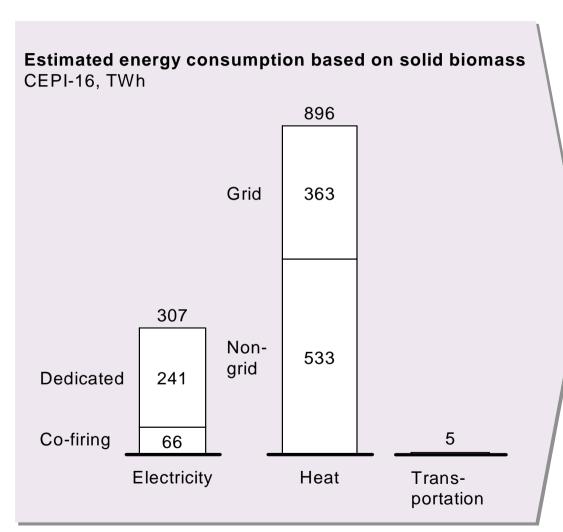
Source: Green-X economic analysis of reaching a 20% share of RES in 2020

<sup>\*</sup> Both forest and other solid biomass

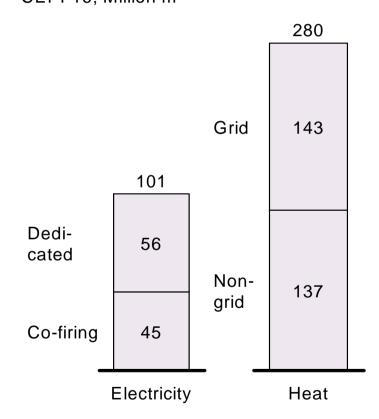
## The EU targets translated in wood terms







Estimated demand for forest biomass and recovered wood CEPI-16: Million m<sup>3\*</sup>



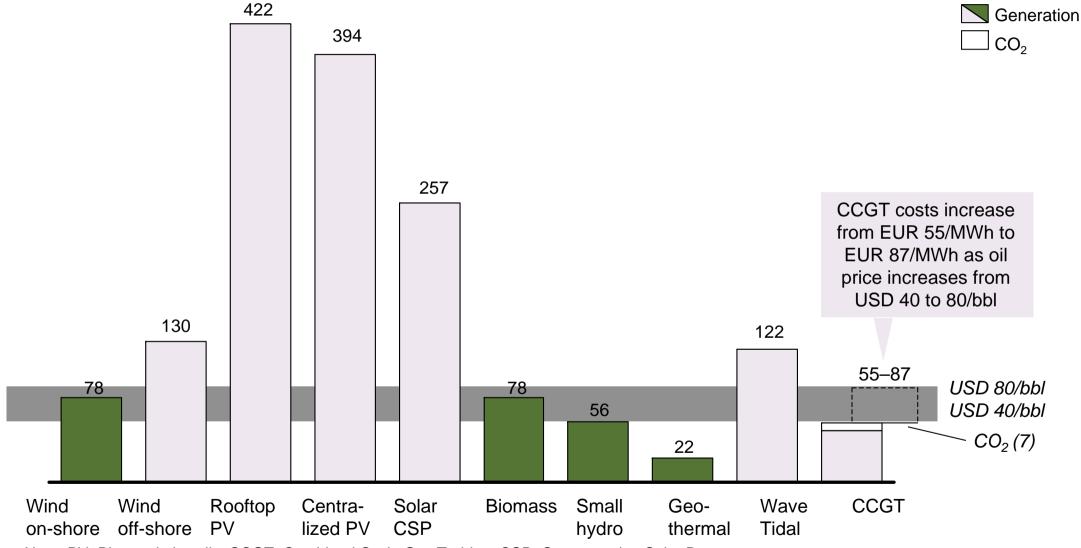
<sup>\*</sup> Based on total primary energy input from Green-X report on least cost scenario: 1 million m Source: Green-X; team analysis

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> equals 0.17 Mtoe (2 MWh/m <sup>3</sup>)

### Why biomass? And why soon?

2005 full generation cost in EUR/MWh\*





Note: PV=Photovoltaic cells; CCGT=Combined Cycle Gas Turbine; CSP=Concentrating Solar Power

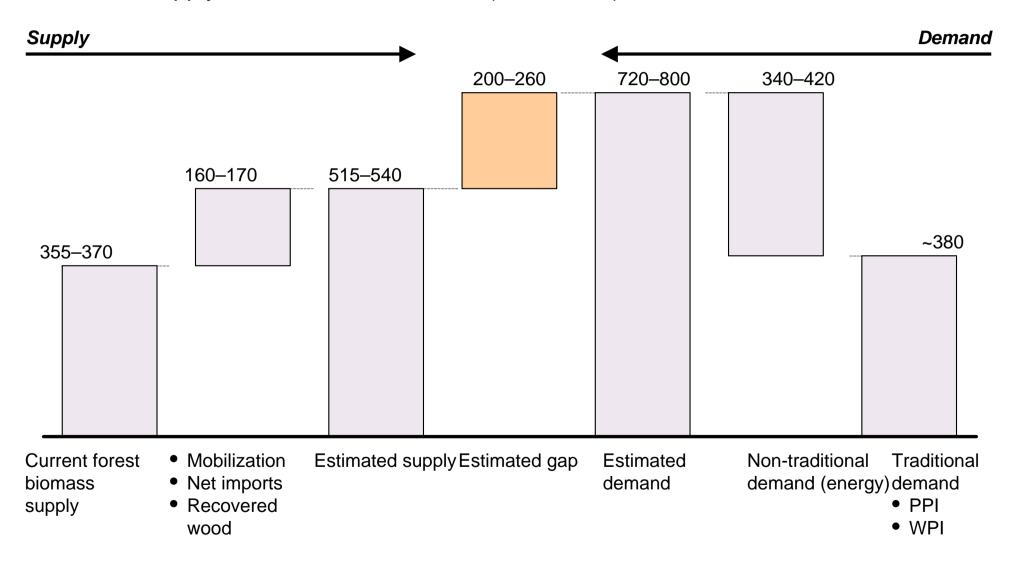
\* Includes capital costs, O&M, fuel, and CO2 cost at 20 EUR/ton; best available technology at average location

Source: Public data and client workshops; McKinsey analysis based on interviews

# With current assumptions we see a gap between supply and demand of more than 200 million m<sup>3</sup> wood by 2020



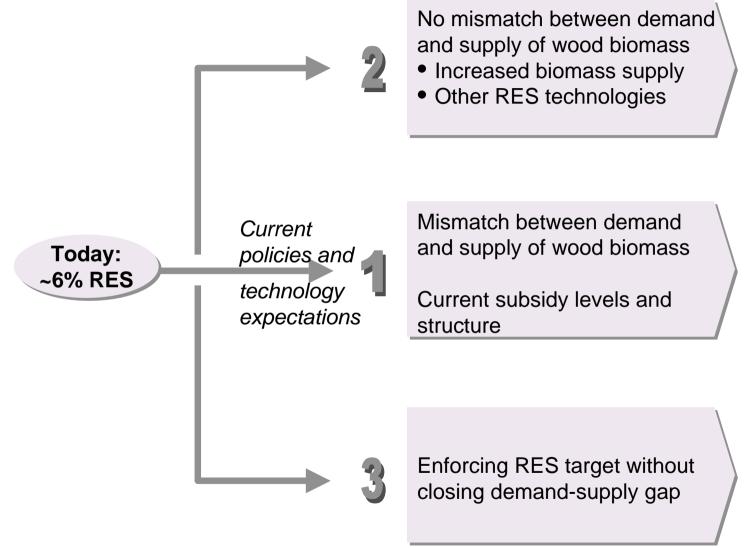
CEPI-16, wood supply and demand; million m<sup>3</sup> (under bark); 2020



Source: McKinsey/Pöyry team analysis

#### Three main scenarios as result of efforts to reach 20% RES





- Some cost increase (regional mismatches/transportation)
- Limited impact on PPI
- Rough costs involved
  - Increasing supply of energy crops1.5-2.0 billion EUR/year
  - Non-biomass RES: 4-6 X
- Significant increase in cost of biomass (incl. pulpwood and logs)
- Some risk to paper industry competitiveness
- Significant risk of bio-energy not being fully produced (240 TWh or 8% of RES target)
- Large increases in wood cost (energy-content pricing)
- Significant part of EU PPI (and wood products) globally uncompetitive
- Rough cost of additional bio-energy incentives: 8-11 x

Source: McKinsey/Pöyry team analysis

#### Brief conclusions from scenario modeling



If current RES roadmap assumptions remain and no actions are taken, the estimated future fiber demand-supply mismatch is worrisome

Cost increases could compromise the viability of plans to reach the RES targets or threaten the competitiveness of the European paper industry (or both)

The way for the energy sector to reach RES targets (and specifically, to fulfill its needs of biomass) should be a key issue in future impact assessment of politically set support systems

### The pulp and paper industry is part of the solution



The PPI is already a substantial participant in bio-energy production...

| Share of country primary bio-energy production Percent; Mtoe |    |     |  |
|--|----|-----|--|
| SR   | 71 | 0.3 |  |
| FI   | 68 | 7.4 |  |
| BE   | 62 | 0.4 |  |
| SE   | 60 | 7.5 |  |
| PT   | 32 | 2.7 |  |
| CZ   | 24 | 1.4 |  |
| AT   | 21 | 3.3 |  |
| ES   | 20 | 4.1 |  |
| PL   | 12 | 4.1 |  |
| FR   | 11 | 9.7 |  |
| DE   | 10 | 6.1 |  |
| UK   | 6  | 0.7 |  |
| NL 2   |    | 0.7 |  |
| IT 1   |    | 0.9 |  |

...and can be a key enabler for reaching future RES targets



Source: CEPI bio-energy survey; SBB; McKinsey/Pöyry team analysis

## The key enabler



#### Bio-energy producer

~25% of European bio-energy currently produced within the FBI

In addition, the FBI has:

The infrastructure

Biomass generation and sourcing

The locations

organizations in place

Network of installed assets that can be used

The efficiency

The highest possible efficiency of using heat  The FBI sources almost 400 million m<sup>3</sup> of wood today

 Chemical pulp mills have large cost advantages to produce 2<sup>nd</sup> generation biofuels

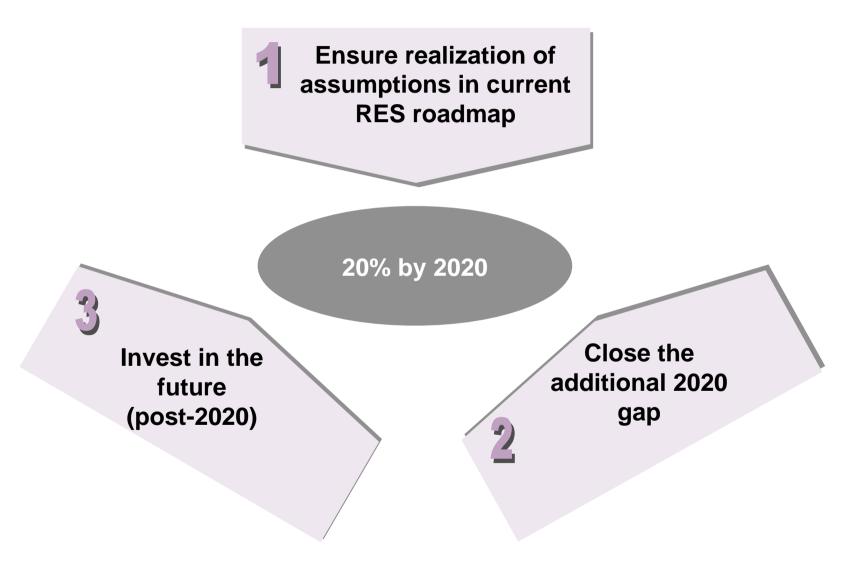
 Cost efficiency in producing wood pellets at saw mills or pulp mills

 Large installed base of Combined Heat & Power plants give generation efficiency of 85-90% (vs ~35% in coal condense plants)

Source: CEPI bio-energy survey; SBB; McKinsey/Pöyry team analysis

# Adequate conditions are needed





#### Ensure realization of assumptions in current RES roadmap



- Accelerate policies to increase energy efficiency in consumption (20% target needs to be met)
- Accelerate policies to increase energy efficiency in generation, e.g., through stronger incentive systems for high-efficiency generation (e.g., PPI) and ensuring predicted increase in CHP
- Accelerate the development of other renewable energy sources (e.g., wind) to take at least the share of generation foreseen in the Commissions' RES roadmap
- Ensure implementation of planned land use for biomass (10 million ha)
- Support the development of 2<sup>nd</sup> generation biofuels
- Harmonize policies that classify black liquor as biomass

#### Further biomass actions to avoid the additional 2020 gap



#### Maximize sourcing of wood/RP in EU

- Mobilise, mobilise, mobilise

- Develop forest management practices that better use European forests potential (sustainably)
- Ensure better recovery of wood, e.g., through banning land fill of recovered wood
- Ensure sufficient land for energy crops and optimize the efficiency of that
  - Ensure actions (as recommended by the EEA), to free up land for efficient energy crop production (6 million ha above what is already planned for in the EC roadmap)
  - Do not encourage the use of land for 1st generation biofuels
    - No import barriers for sustainably produced biofuels
    - No support systems for growing 1st generation feedstock
  - Ensure attractiveness to grow energy crops, e.g., through development of supporting financial instruments and premiering high-yield crops
- Actively work on increasing and facilitating overseas supplies of raw material and biomass
  - Support planting of forests outside the EU
  - Simplify process for CDM permits in forestry
  - Work to remove or reduce existing export tariffs on wood
- Adopt a principle of resource efficiency (in line with the Waste Hierarchy)

# Identified actions could possibly avoid the gap in 2020 – but most solutions are outside the PPI



**Potential** 

| "Close to I | home"  | effect 2020<br>Million m <sup>3</sup> |
|-------------|--|---------------------------------------|
|             | Continued aggressive energy-efficiency measures in PPI, e.g., replacing old recovery and multifuel boilers | ~10                                   |
|             | Additional mobilization of round wood and residue  | 30–35                                 |
|             | Other measures, e.g., • Lobby for removing existing export tariffs • Decrease landfill of recovered wood   | 5–10                                  |
|             | Import more biofuels; efficient use of land for first generation biofuels                                  | 50-80                                 |
|             | Free up additional land to grow more energy crops (estimated 6 million ha)                                 | 115–175                               |
| Outside     | PPI  | Up to 310                             |

#### Invest in the future (post-2020)



- 2<sup>nd</sup> generation biofuels kicks in as user of wood
- 60-80% reduction of CO<sub>2</sub> required by 2050

- Accelerate policies to encourage afforestation within EU
- Develop sustainable long-term growth of European forest resources
- Focus R&D efforts on the efficient use of raw materials and energy sources. Support the development of new technologies in biomass-based power generation. Support the development of other renewable-energy technologies

## In a nutshell, RES policies should:



- Be realistic and fact based. Have an overall EU view.
- Have an integrated view on forestry, agriculture and trade, biomass and biofuels.
- Focus on efficiency of tax payers money, land use, biomass use and energy production.
- Ensure sustainable production and use of bioenergy and avoid conflicts between different uses of biomass.
- Acknowledge the FBI as key enabler.
- Focus on mobilising biomass a key opportunity.



### Thank you!

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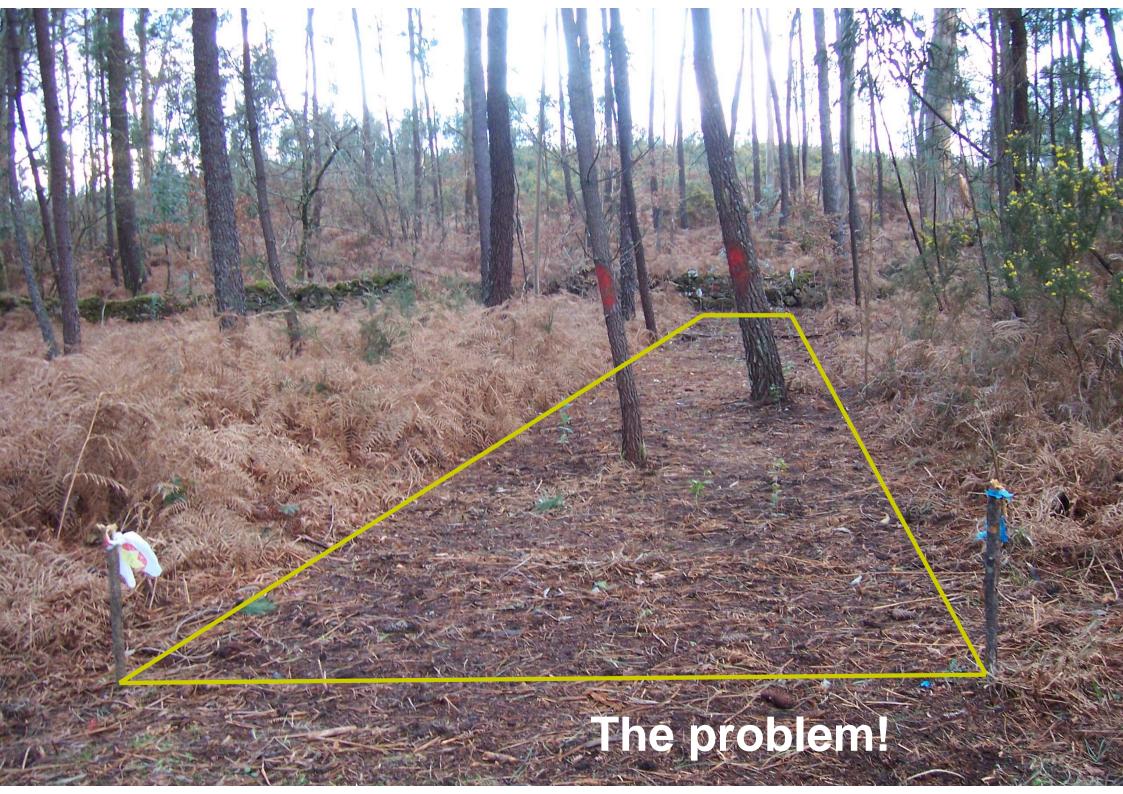
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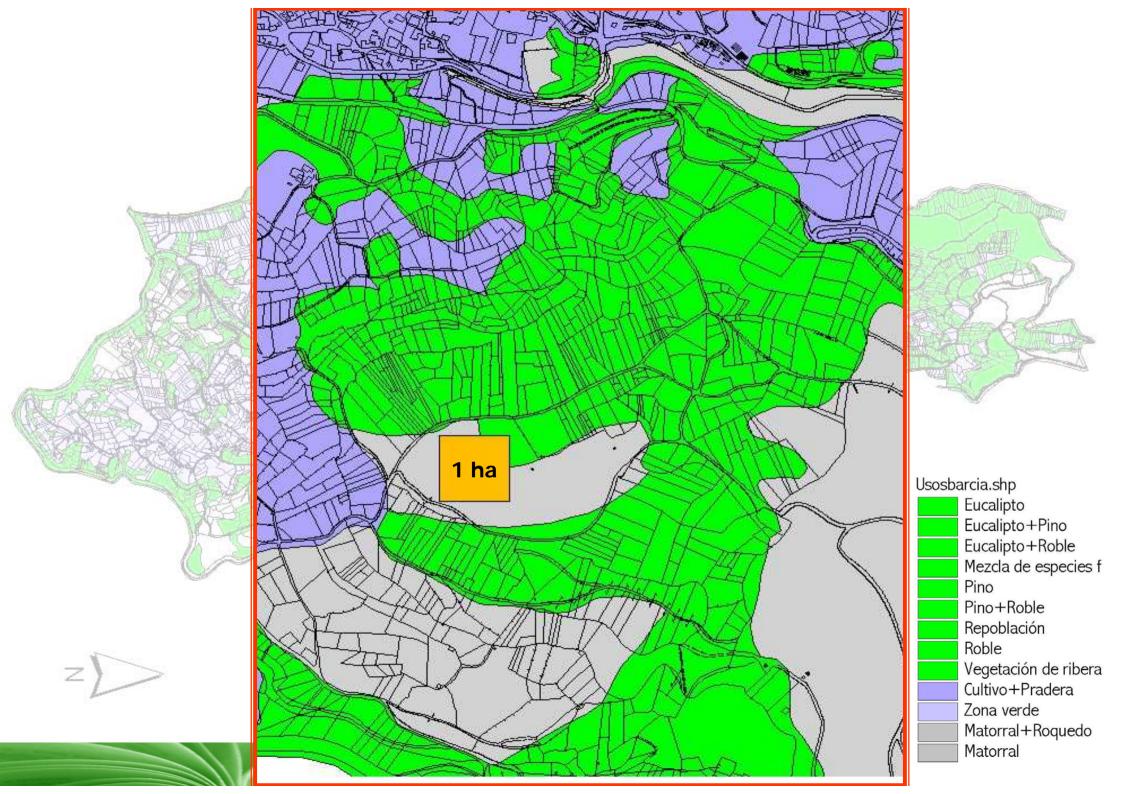
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## The other problem!





