

ASL: Association Syndicale Libre du Mt ForchatSIEM: Syndicat Intercommunal des Eaux des MoisesCRPF: Centre Régional de la Propriété Forestiére

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### Geographical situation

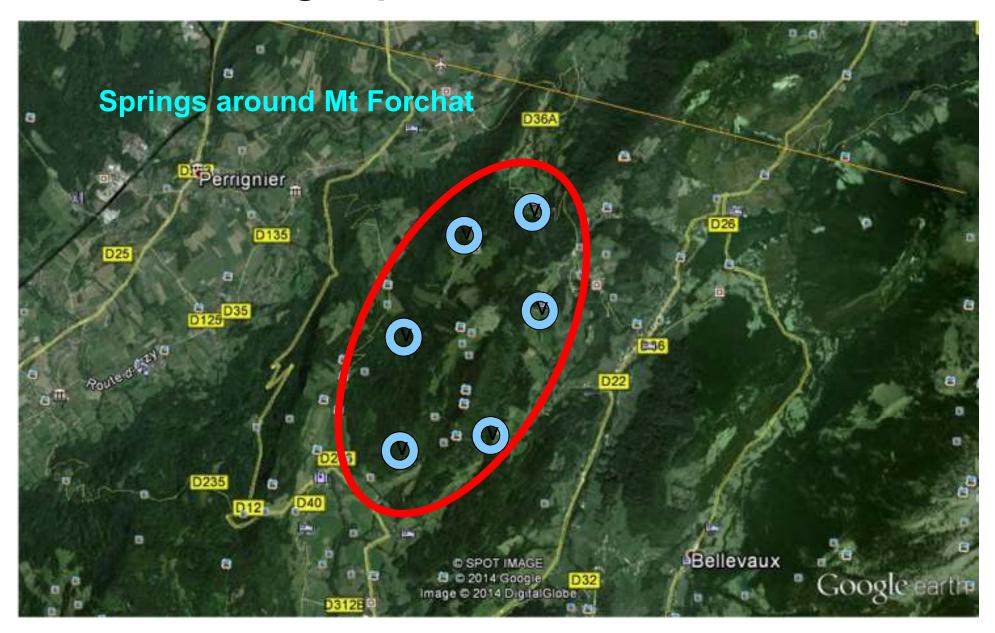
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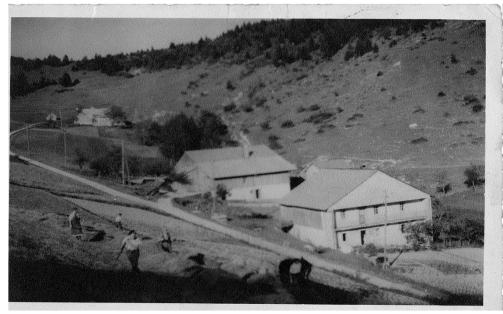
# **Geographical situation**



### History and evolution of the forest around Mt Forchat



**80 years ago**......Habére-Poche: 40 farms. Today: only 2 Mainly Agricultural and pasture . The forest is limited and the altitude and climate limits the progression of the forest.....





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### History and evolution of the forest around Mt Forchat



Change of pasturage to plantation of spruce.....like leeks!!!! AND



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# Today

- 1- Storm of 99 ..... destruction of forests , loss of money over capacity of wood, decrease of the prices.....
- 2- Surfaces of the forest lots is between 0.18 Ha and 13,5 Ha (600 forest owners, total 500 Ha, private forest: 350 Ha)
- 3- Impossibility to owners to exploit lot by lot
- 4- Stress on water coming from an increase of the population around Geneva
- 5- Importance of the springs: Mt Forchat is an hydrological site
- 6- Interests from forest owners and water operators are convergent: synergy
- 7- Creation of an « Association » of private forest owners and SIEM partnership

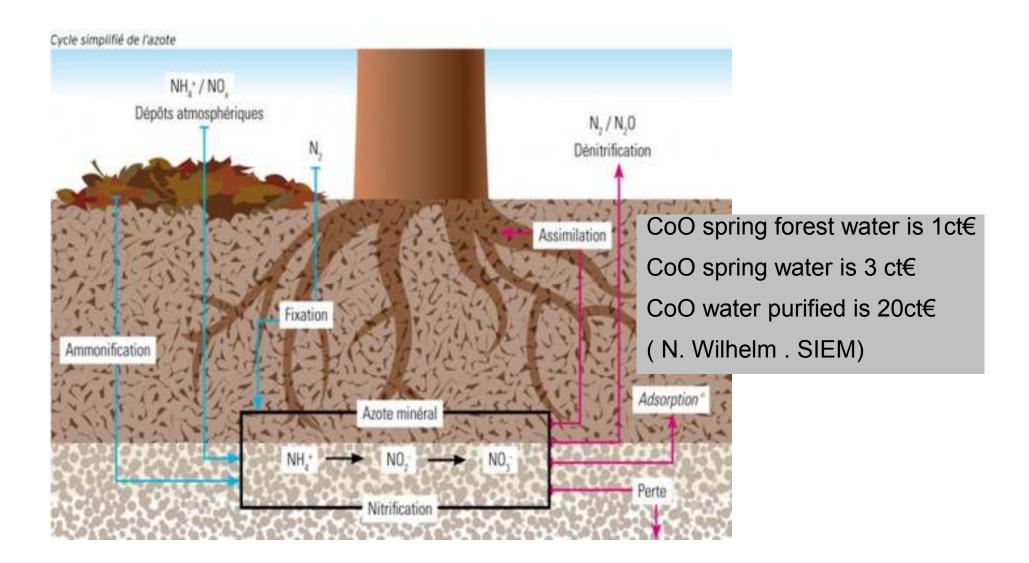
following the Alpeau project and CRPF continous investment

### Objectives of the association and partnership

- 1- Sustainable forest management
- 2- Gathering small surface owners to enable profitable trading (exploitation)
- 3- Make a partnership with the water operators to avoid contamination
- 4- Searching a « Forest label » for the water
- 5- Forecast a sustainable forest (selection cutting and natural regeneration
- 6- Selection cutting aims at the protection of the water springs
- 7- Selection cutting induces higher cost of exploitation
- 8- Partnership enable subsidies (grants) from water operators and cancel the gap of exploitation cost.



#### Purification cycle of the water in the forest



## **ASL :** Association Syndicale libre du Mont Forchat

Members: 42

Forest surface: 100 hectares

New members from the starting: 10

New surface: ~40 hectares

Turnover: 5000€/Y for the « ASL »

Planned turnover wood cut 2014~ 35000€

President: M. Bechevet

Vice President : M. Piccot

Tresurer: Mrs. Buttay/ Genoud-Prachex

Secretary:M. Wilhelm – SIEM

Technical/administrative Advisor:

Ms. Schaeffer (CRPF)

### Current actions

- 1- Elaboration of a « PSG » (Forest Management planning) for the members
- 2- Subsidy from Rhône Alpes Region
- **3- Help from CRPF**
- 4- Partnership with SIEM for 5 years (Water operator)
- **5- Elaboration of specifications for woodcutter and extraction workers**
- 6- Organisation of 2 timber yards for ~700 cubic meters
- 7- Following the first works and ..... weather bad conditions and .....

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#### Example:

- Cost for a classical spruce exploitation: 20€/ m3
- Overcost for selection cutting and respect of specs is ~ 6€/m3
- Subsidy is forecasted at 6€/m3
- The overcost is not borne by the forest owners
- But making selection cutting is not easy as the forest is of the same age



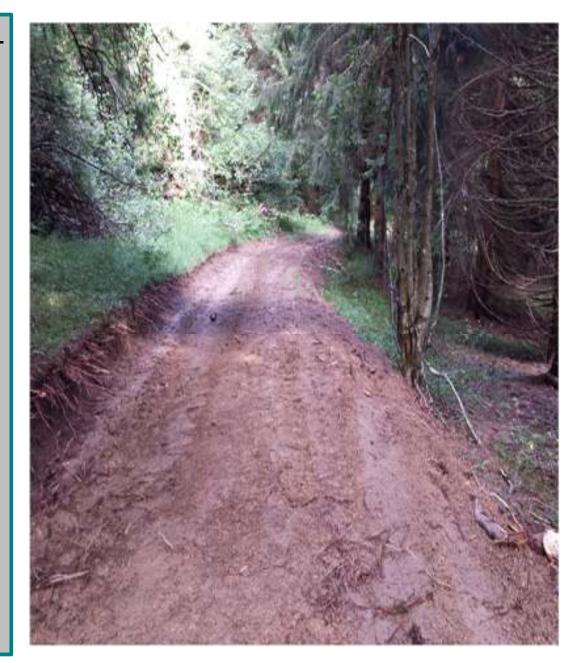
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Main specification of exploitation agreed

#### with the SIEM:

- 1- Selection cutting
- 2- Biological oils
- 3- Exploitation only when the weather is dry
- 4- Leave clean access to the forest
- 4- Taking into account the bark beetle
- 5- Planting with a mix spruce/broad-leaved when the surface is clear cut
- 6- Control of natural regeneration
- 7- Find « good » woodcutter and extraction companies





For the new forest of the next 50 years.....

### and the « Forest label » water

- 1- Organization of the next cutwood (3000 m3 over 5 years)
- 2- New PSG (forest management plan) organization and financing
- 3- Organization of the planting and financing (problem for owners)
- 4- Extending to new members ( potential is 500 Hectares and 600 owners)
- 5- Contract with the water operators of Habere-Poche and Lullin
- 6- Research of European projects for water friendly forest management
- 7- Organization of a partnership with CRPF
- 8- ONF contacts



### And.....

## Many thanks for your kind attention !!!!!!