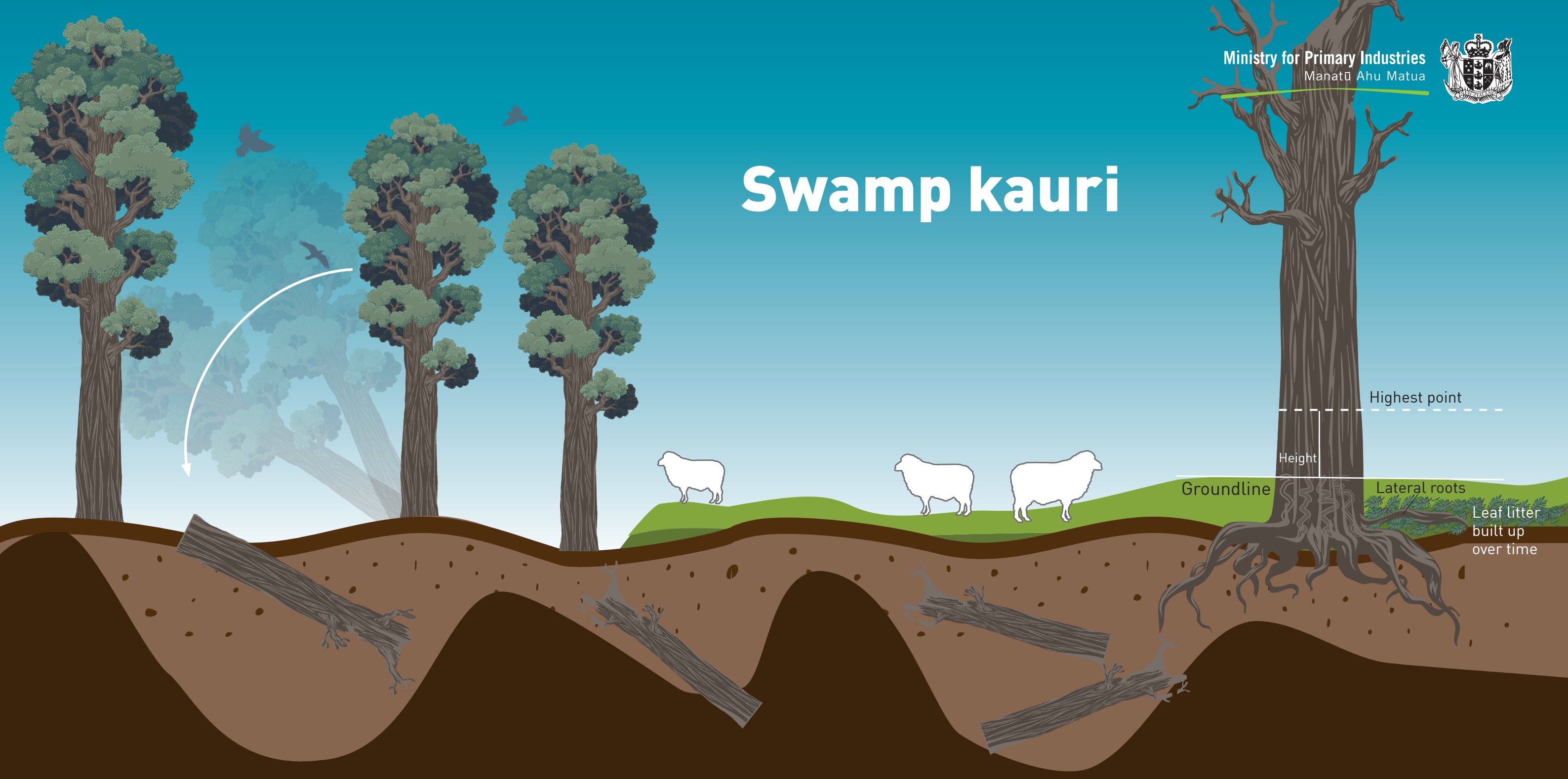




Swamp kauri



Swamp kauri was formed when kauri trees fell into soils ideal for preservation. These were generally lowland bogs, where sediments protected the wood from exposure and decay or sometimes in the soil between old sand dunes.



Due to logging, gum digging and land clearance the majority of swamp kauri is now found in areas used for farming.



A kauri stump is the lower part of a trunk, with or without roots, that is partially in the ground. It can't be any taller at its highest point than its width at ground line. The ground line can be difficult to find on some swamp kauri stumps – if the tree grew on a hill or if a layer of leaves built up around the base over time, then the ground line will be higher.