

SUSTAINABLE FOREST MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

TIMBERLANDS

At Western Forest Products (WFP) forests are more than a critical timber resource - they are our heritage and our future. Responsible forest stewardship is essential to our success as a company. WFP is committed to achieving and maintaining sustainable forest management on the public and private forest lands in our care. We aim to be leaders in supplying quality, competitive forest products to global markets through the practice of sustainable forest management.

WFP will ensure that all forest management activities meet or exceed relevant legislation, regulations or policies. WFP will honour all forestry-related international agreements and conventions to which Canada or the US is a signatory.

WFP's Sustainable Forest Management ("SFM") system is based on three major principles consistent with Canadian, US and international forest certification standards. Our forest management will be environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial and economically viable. Under these principles, our company is committed to:

- Manage operations to safeguard the health and safety of employees, contractors and the public;
- Maintain a team of dedicated managers, professional foresters and planners committed to implementing and practicing SFM with respect to all forest and social values;
- Enhance our ability to plan and manage by promoting improved knowledge about the forest and SFM as well as to monitor advances in SFM science and technology and incorporate them where applicable;
- Perform regular, internal and independent audits to ensure conformance with our SFM commitments;
- Maintain and improve all aspects of our SFM system through adaptive management, review and improvement;
- Provide for public participation; and
- Recognize and respect established treaty rights and asserted aboriginal interests, and provide participation opportunities to Indigenous peoples with respect to their rights and interests in SFM within the defined forest areas.

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