

## *Permanent Forest Estate Policy Statement*

Norske Skog is one of the world's leading suppliers of wood-containing printing paper. The Norske Skog Boyer Mill is part of the Norske Skog Global group. We manufacture newsprint, improved newsprint & light weight coated products at our site at Boyer, Tasmania, Australia.

Norske Skog Boyer sustainably manages forests to provide a long term, high quality supply of fibre to the mill.

Norske Skog is committed to:

- Supporting the maintenance of a permanent native forest estate in Tasmania to ensure that we maintain our resource base for all its various conservation, production and amenity values;
- Complying with the relevant State and Commonwealth legislation including the Tasmanian Government Policy for Maintaining a Permanent Native Forest Estate 2016;
- Complying with the requirements of the Australian Forestry Standard and the Forest Stewardship Council regarding conversion of native forest;
- Consulting with interested stakeholders regarding conversion of native forest.

Norske Skog will not:

- Undertake broad scale conversion of native forest to plantation. Norske Skog may still undertake small scale conversion where conversion:
  - Entails a very limited portion of the forest management unit; and
  - Does not occur on high conservation value forest areas; and
  - Will enable clear, substantial, additional, secure, long-term conservation benefits across the forest management unit.
- Convert viable examples of:
  - Threatened forest ecosystems;
  - Old growth forest that is rare or depleted within a forest ecosystem;
  - Important habitat of threatened species; or
  - Indigenous forest in riparian zones.
- Convert primary, degraded primary and mature secondary forests to create tree plantations;
- Convert threatened or endangered ecosystems to create tree plantations.



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