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Forestry and timber production

Objective

To facilitate the establishment, management and harvesting of plantations and the harvesting of timber from native forests.

Strategies

Identify areas that may be suitably used and developed for plantation timber production.

Promote the establishment of softwood and hardwood plantations on predominantly cleared land, as well as other areas that are subject to or contributing to land and water degradation.

Ensure protection of water quality and soil.

Ensure timber production in native forests is conducted in a sustainable manner.

Conduct timber production (except agroforestry, windbreaks and commercial plantations of 5 hectares or less) in accordance with the *Code of Practice for Timber Production* (Department of Environment and Primary Industries, 2014).

Ensure Victoria's greenhouse sinks are protected and enhanced by controlling land clearing, containing the growth of urban areas and supporting revegetation programs.

Policy documents

Consider as relevant:

- *Code of Practice for Timber Production* (Department of Environment and Primary Industries, 2014)