



Tasmanian
Forest
Products
Association

TASMANIAN ELECTION PRIORITIES



Our priorities:

- Housing & Wood Products
- Community Awareness
- Climate Change & Fire Threat
- Timber Trees & Productivity



ABOUT TASMANIAN FORESTRY: Each year, Tasmanian forestry delivers more than \$1.2 billion into our state's economy, employs more than 5,500 Tasmanians, and supports significant further indirect economic activity through the use of Tasmanian timber in the construction, housing and value adding industries.

2025 TASMANIAN ELECTION PRIORITIES



PRIORITY: HOUSING AND WOOD PRODUCTS

Increasing the use of Tasmanian wood in new homes and developments will increase on-island manufacturing capability, capture more carbon, boost employment and deliver more homes.

- Strengthening the current wood encouragement policy framework with the explicit purpose of increasing the use of Tasmanian wood in Government funded procurement practices.
- Work with industry to set short, medium and long term targets for the increased utilisation of Tasmanian wood.
- Commence annual reporting of compliance against targets to ensure utilisation of Tasmanian grown and/or manufactured is maximised.

PRIORITY: PARTNERSHIPS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AWARENESS

To underpin the strength of the forest industry in Tasmania for decades to come, it is critical for the TFPA, as the peak body, to be actively working with all stakeholders to help grow the industry.

- \$75k/yr over four years for TFPA to deliver effective partnerships with government and industry partners.
- \$50k/yr over four years to deliver a community awareness campaign, increasing the understanding of our sustainable forestry industry.

PRIORITY: CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE FIRE THREAT

Our members collectively manage around 400,000ha of land across Tasmania. We already utilise start-of-the-art fire detection and fire-fighting capability on the land we manage, however want to work better with Government across its different land tenure managers. This includes STT and PWS.

- Commit to ensuring private estate owners permanent access to the Tasmanian Government Radio Network through legislative or other means prior to the 2025/26 fire season.
- Develop a workplan between government and industry for a coordinated ground up solution to increase fire detection cameras across land tenures. Noting several large private estate owners have undertaken investments already on their estates.

PRIORITY: TIMBER TREES AND PRODUCTIVITY

Our focus is on planting more trees, doing more with our resource and providing future certainty to the industry.

- No more lock ups of public land, and a commitment to explore mechanisms to increase productivity of the public estate to support jobs and turbo-charge capturing more carbon.
- No deals with minority parties that do not support Forestry.
- Commitment that Hobart Port stays a working port.