# Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement Third Five-Yearly Review 2007 – 2012

Joint Australian and Tasmanian Government summary document





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#### 1. Introduction

The Tasmanian Government together with the Australian Government are inviting public comments on the implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement (RFA) for the reporting period 2007 to 2012, as part of the third five-yearly review. Five-yearly reviews are required under clause 45 of the RFA.

While the third five-yearly review was due in 2012, the previous Tasmanian and Australian governments delayed initiation of the review in the context of settling implementation arrangements for the Tasmanian Forests Agreement. The current Tasmanian and Australian governments have, however, agreed to progress the review to preserve the integrity of the RFA five-yearly reporting framework and to ensure five-yearly implementation data is publicly available. The *Implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement 2012* report (the Implementation Report) has been prepared.

In order to complement the previous two five-yearly reviews of the RFA, this review only considers data from the period June 2006 to June 2011. Data from June 2011 to June 2016 will be considered in the fourth five-yearly review due in 2017.

This summary document seeks to assist parties wishing to make a submission and provides information about the Tasmanian RFA, the review process and a summary of the Tasmanian and Australian governments' progress in implementing the Tasmanian RFA in the third five-yearly reporting period.

Members of the public are invited to provide their comments on the implementation of the Tasmanian RFA for the third five-yearly reporting period. The six-week public comments period closes on 29 May 2015and information on how to lodge a submission is provided on page 10.

An independent reviewer, Dr Glen Kile, has been appointed to undertake the review. Dr Kile will analyse the Implementation Report *Implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement 2012* report, stakeholder comments and other relevant information to prepare a review report containing recommendations for consideration by both governments. The review report will then be tabled in the Australian Parliament and made publicly available.

The Tasmanian and Australian governments will then jointly prepare a response to the review report, which will also be made publicly available. The response will be prepared

in the context of the extension of the RFA due to be negotiated in 2015, and will include an overview of the extension process agreed by the two governments, consistent with clause 8 of the RFA.

In undertaking this review, the Tasmanian and Australian governments are committed to ensuring the RFA is durable and continues to deliver effective sustainable forest management, forest industry and conservation outcomes.

#### 2. About the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement

The Tasmanian RFA was signed in November 1997 by the then Prime Minister of Australia and Premier of Tasmania. The RFA provides a 20-year framework for the sustainable management and use of Tasmania's forests. It seeks to balance the competing economic, social and environmental demands on Tasmania's forests, by setting milestones and commitments for forest use that deliver:

- certainty of resource access and supply to industry to underpin investment confidence
- ecologically sustainable forest management to ensure forests are appropriately managed and regenerated
- a Comprehensive Adequate and Representative reserve system to provide for the protection of Australia's forest biodiversity, wilderness and old-growth forests.

The Tasmanian Comprehensive Regional Assessment (CRA) informed the development of the Tasmanian RFA, and provided information needed to make long-term decisions about sustainable forest use and management in Tasmania. The CRA involved over 50 projects progressed in 1995-1996 to evaluate the economic, social and environmental values of Tasmania's forests, and included extensive consultation with the community about how they value and use their forests. Some of the reports associated with the Tasmanian CRA are available from the Australian Government Department of Agriculture website: www.agriculture.gov.au.

In recognition of the CRA conducted prior to the signing of the Tasmanian RFA, and the environmental protection delivered by the Comprehensive Adequate and Representative reserve system and ecologically sustainable forest management system, Part 3 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* and the requirement to licence wood exports under the *Export Control Act 1982* do not apply to forestry operations in the Tasmanian RFA region. As a result, the signing of the Tasmanian RFA removed the Australian Government from day-to-day forest management and substantially reduced regulatory duplication for the forestry sector.

The 20-year RFA has resulted in continuous improvement in forest use and management in Tasmania. It has resulted in an improved forest management system, an increased area of forest in the conservation estate and has provided a framework for increased industry certainty in resource access.

#### 3. Previous five-yearly reviews of the Tasmanian RFA

It is a requirement of clause 45 of the Tasmanian RFA that its performance is reviewed every five years, to assess progress in implementing its specified milestones and commitments. The first and second five-yearly reviews of the RFA occurred in 2002 and 2007 respectively.

#### First five-yearly RFA review

The first five-yearly review of implementation of the RFA was completed in 2002 by the then Tasmanian Resource Planning and Development Commission (RPDC). The first review was for the reporting period 1997 to 2002 and reported on data from the period June 1996 to June 2001 (the data cut-off for RFA five-yearly reviews is 30 June in the year preceding the review publication to enable time to collate, analyse and adequately document the data).

The RPDC considered that the Parties to the RFA (the Tasmanian and Australian governments) had made "substantial progress with implementing the RFA". In providing its Final Recommendations Report, the RPDC made 30 recommendations to the governments where further progress or improvements were needed.

In May 2005, the Tasmanian and Australian governments signed a Supplementary Tasmanian RFA, termed the Tasmanian Community Forest Agreement (TCFA), which contained amended and additional commitments for the RFA. The TCFA represented the full and final response on behalf of both governments to the RPDC Report.

#### Second five-yearly RFA review

The second five-yearly review was undertaken in 2007 by the independent reviewer Mr John Ramsay. This review was for the reporting period 2002 to 2007 and reported on data from the period June 2001 to June 2006. It considered the implementation of recommendations for the first five-yearly review and the additional commitments entered into in the TCFA. Mr Ramsay made an additional 43 recommendations to the governments in his report of February 2008, which is available at: www.stategrowth.tas.gov.au.

#### 4. Third five-yearly review of the Tasmanian RFA

The third five-yearly review of the Tasmanian RFA formally commenced in April 2015 with the signing of *Scoping Agreement for the review of progress with implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement*. The Scoping Agreement sets out the arrangements agreed by the Tasmanian and Australian governments for undertaking this review.

While the third five-yearly review was due in 2012, for the reporting period 2007-2012, the then Tasmanian and Australian governments did not commence the review, pending the outcomes of the stakeholders' Tasmanian Forests Agreement and the subsequent Tasmanian Forests Intergovernmental Agreement (TFIGA).

The Tasmanian and Australian governments have agreed, however, that it is important to proceed with the review based on this period in order to:

- preserve the integrity of the five-year reporting framework, such that there is no gap in the five-year reporting process and no inconsistent reporting period that would compromise trend analyses;
- ensure that data that was prepared at the end of the reporting period is made publicly available;
- ensure that Tasmanian RFA progress data aligns with the *State of the Forests Tasmania 2012* report (which reports on data from 2006-2011); and
- ensure that RFA progress data from June 2006 to June 2011 is independently reviewed.

Consistent with previous reviews, the Tasmanian and Australian governments have jointly prepared a report on progress with the implementation of the Tasmanian RFA, the *Implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement 2012* covering the five year period since the previous review, based on data collected from the period June 2006 to June 2011. Members of the public are invited to provide their comments on the Implementation Report (details on how to lodge a submission are provided on page 9).

#### Key events outside of scope for the third five-yearly review

In providing a submission to this review, members of the public should note that events that took place after the data collection period (2006-2011) will not be reported on in this review, and instead be reported on as part of the fourth five-yearly RFA review, anticipated for 2017. Therefore, changes to the Tasmanian forestry industry as a result of the 2013 Australian Government election and the 2014 Tasmanian Government election are out-of-scope for this review period. To clarify, a timeline of key events that are **outside of scope** for this review period are.

• **On 7 August 2011:** The then Prime Minister of Australia and Premier of Tasmania signed the *Tasmanian Forests Intergovernmental Agreement*.

- **On 22 November 2012:** The *Tasmanian Forest Agreement 2012* was signed by its signatories, who included representatives of the forestry industry, union and environment groups.
- **On 2 May 2013:** The then Prime Minister of Australia and Premier of Tasmania signed the *Tasmanian Forests Intergovernmental Agreement*. The Agreement builds on the *Tasmanian Forests Intergovernmental Agreement 2011* and supported the Tasmanian Forests Agreement Legislation 2013.
- On 3 June 2013: The *Tasmanian Forests Agreement Act 2013* commenced. The Act provided for a Special Council (a body made up of selected industry and environment stakeholders), and a staged process of reserving 515 000 hectares of forests, contingent on a series of Durability Reports (reviews of milestones requiring submission to, and acceptance of, the Tasmanian Parliament).
- **On 24 June 2013:** At its 37th session in Phnom Penh, Cambodia, the World Heritage Committee accepted the Australian Government's proposal to add more than 170 000 hectares to the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area.
- On 22 October 2014: The Forestry (Rebuilding the Forest Industry) Act 2014 commenced. This repealed the *Tasmanian Forests Agreement Act 2013* and replaced the staged reservation process with a new category of Crown land (Future Potential Production Forest Land).

#### 4.1. Reporting on the Implementation of the Tasmanian RFA

The report *Implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement 2012* is structured into four parts:

- Part 1 commitments of the original Tasmanian RFA
- Part 2 recommendations made by the RPDC in the first five-yearly review in 2002
- Part 3 commitments made in the 2005 TCFA
- Part 4 recommendations made in the second five-yearly review in 2007.

A summary review is included at the front of the Implementation Report to assist readers browse the progress made on milestones and commitments in the Tasmanian RFA (included at Appendix 1 of this Summary Document). The main body of the Implementation Report provides greater detail about progress in achieving each milestone or commitment by the Tasmanian and Australian governments. Commitments that were completed prior to the 2007 Review have been included in the Implementation Report to maintain the integrity and flow of the document; however they are not in the scope for review.

#### Summary of progress in implementing the Tasmanian RFA

The Implementation Report identifies that Tasmania has a fully integrated and strategic forest management system in place, which includes appropriate monitoring

systems and provides appropriate mechanisms for continuous improvement. This is a requirement of the Tasmanian RFA.

To this end, the commitments and milestones in the RFA and TCFA as at 2012 have been largely met. However changes in circumstances or subsequent intergovernmental agreements made some previous actions or recommendations obsolete, or delayed their delivery. These are described in more detail in the Implementation Report.

Specifically, Tables 1 to 4 of the summary table (included at Appendix 1) summarise progress made towards RFA commitments and milestones. Of the 237 specific actions, commitments and recommendations reviewed in the Implementation Report, 197 (83%) have been completed, implemented or superseded. Implementation of a further 29 (12%) have been largely progressed but not yet completed.

#### Other supporting documents

The Implementation Report should be read in conjunction with the *State of the Forests Tasmania 2012* report, prepared and published by the Forest Practices Authority in cooperation and consultation with the Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment, Forestry Tasmania, the Department of Infrastructure, Energy and Resources, Private Forests Tasmania and the Australian Government Department of Agriculture. The *State of the Forests Tasmania 2012* report was prepared to satisfy the requirement under clause 45 of the Tasmanian RFA to take account of trends in the agreed Sustainability Indicators for Tasmanian forests, for the five-yearly review.

In addition, the report *Sustainable high quality eucalypt sawlog supply from Tasmania's Permanent Timber Production Zone Land review no. 4*, prepared and published by Forestry Tasmania in March 2014, meets the requirements of clause 98 of the Tasmanian RFA. This review was also due in 2012, but was similarly delayed pending the outcomes of the Tasmanian Forests Agreement and TFIGA.

#### 5. The extension of the Tasmania RFA

The Tasmanian and Australian governments consider that the Tasmanian RFA is the right mechanism to balance the competing economic, environmental and social demands on Tasmania's forests. Clause 8 of the Tasmanian RFA states that "the process for extending the duration of this Agreement will be agreed by the Parties [to the Tasmanian RFA] as part of the third five-yearly review...".

The Tasmanian and Australian governments have now agreed that a formal extension process will commence after the independent review report has been finalised and submitted for government consideration. The outcomes of the third five-yearly review will be a key consideration for the governments in negotiating an extended Tasmanian RFA.

In extending the Tasmanian RFA, the Tasmanian and Australian government's plan to establish a 20-year rolling life for the Tasmanian RFA to provide certainty for Tasmania's forest industry and the broader community. This is expected to be achieved by extending the Tasmanian RFA by 20-years initially, then by five years following the successful completion and implementation of each future five-yearly review. Practical and affordable improvements—to ensure the Tasmanian RFA remains effective and credible in the long-term—will also be considered.

In extending the Tasmanian RFA, the governments intend to:

- maintain the RFA framework and the fundamental intent of the Tasmanian RFA;
- maintain the existing Comprehensive, Adequate and Representative forest reserve system; and
- continue the regular reviews of the RFA.

#### 6. How to make a submission

You are invited to submit comments on the implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement. These comments may be made in the context of the commitment from both governments to extend the Tasmanian RFA. All comments must be received by the Department of State Growth by close of business on 29 May 2015.

You can send your submission and a completed cover sheet (accessed from the Department of State Growth website <u>http://www.stategrowth.tas.gov.au/forestry/rfa</u>) by email to Review.RFA@stategrowth.tas.gov.au or by post to:

ATTN: Tasmanian RFA Review Department of State Growth GPO Box 536 Hobart

Phone Enquiries can be made to (03) 61663499

Please note that submissions received after close of business on 29 May 2015may not be accepted. Submissions received without a completed cover sheet will not be accepted. All submissions may be made publicly available, unless otherwise advised on the cover sheet, and should address the scope of the Review.

### Appendix 1 Implementation of the Tasmanian Regional Forest Agreement 2012 – Summary Table

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
8	The State and the Commonwealth to jointly determine the process for extending the RFA	Not yet due
22(a) (b)	Commonwealth to seek passage of legislation that includes the provision of an RFA	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
23(a)	The Commonwealth to prepare a policy outline for RFA legislation, which will include provisions as specified in clause 22	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
23(c)	The Commonwealth to introduce legislation to provide certainty to the provisions specified in clause 22	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
24(a) & 51	The State undertakes to manage areas in the CAR Reserve System identified in Attachment 6, with the exception of Commonwealth-owned or – leased land, on the basis outlined in that Attachment and in accordance with the relevant objectives set out in Attachment 7	Ongoing commitment has been met
	The Parties will take action to establish the CAR reserve system and to manage the CAR values in a regional context consistent with the management objectives specified in Attachment 7	Ongoing commitment has been met
24(b)	The State to proclaim such new reserves having categories provided by existing legislation	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
24(c)	The State to introduce legislation to establish required new categories of the revised public land classification system	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
24(d)	Where any new reserves are to be included in a category specified in Attachment 7 that is not already provided for by existing legislation, Tasmania undertakes to proclaim such new reserves	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
26	The Parties agree to the management of National Estate values as set out in Attachment 1	Ongoing commitment has been met
32	Any new or revised recovery plans will be jointly prepared and funded and implemented cooperatively	Ongoing commitment has been met
33	Multiple-species recovery plans will be developed where appropriate	Ongoing commitment has been met
34	The Commonwealth will continue to consult with the State on the preparation of threat-abatement plans for key threatening processes	Ongoing commitment has been met

## Table 1 – RFA Commitments and Milestones

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
35	Commonwealth to adopt State recovery plans where they meet the requirements of Commonwealth legislation	Ongoing commitment has been met
36	National recovery plans and threat-abatement plans will be prepared jointly with other governments where possible	Ongoing commitment has been met
37	The Parties will consult on the priorities for listing threatening species, forest communities and threatening processes, and in the preparation of all recovery plans and threat-abatement plans	Ongoing commitment has been met
39	The State and the Commonwealth to jointly participate in further World Heritage assessment of the relevant themes	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
40	The Commonwealth agrees that it will give full consideration to potential social and economic consequences of any World Heritage nomination of places in Tasmania and that any such nomination will only occur after the fullest consultation and agreement with the State	Not yet required
41	World Heritage nomination to be drawn from the Dedicated Reserve System	Not yet required
42	The Parties agree:	Not yet required
	<ul> <li>that before any World Heritage nomination of any part of the Forest Estate is made, all necessary management arrangements, including joint policy coordination arrangements and a statutory management plan under the relevant Tasmanian legislation, will be in place; and</li> <li>that prior to any World Heritage nomination, all related funding issues will be resolved to the satisfaction of both Parties</li> </ul>	
44	The State and the Commonwealth to provide each other with written reports detailing the achievements of milestones	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
45	The State and the Commonwealth to review the performance of the RFA	First and second review completed, Third review to be undertaken
48	CAR Reserve System is to be established for the purpose of ensuring long-term conservation and protection as per Attachment 6 and Attachment 8	Substantially completed
51	The Parties agree that they will establish the CAR Reserve System on the Public Land described in Attachment 6 and manage that system to maintain the CAR Values of that land in a regional context consistent with the management objectives for each element of the reserve system as specified in Attachment 7	Ongoing commitment has been met
52	The State will consult with the Commonwealth prior to rejecting any recommendations of the Resource Planning and Development Commission in regard to tenure to be applied to those reserves listed in Attachment 6 sections 1.7 and 1.8	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
53	All Deferred Forest Lands not included in the CAR reserve system other than those specified in Attachment 6 will be removed from the Register of Deferred Forest Land and added to the Register of Multiple-use Forest Land	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
54	The Commonwealth has requested, and the State has agreed, postponement of any harvesting in the Savage River pipeline corridor. Accordingly the Parties agree: to postpone any harvesting and associated forest roading in the area as shown in map 1, and that this area will continue to be included in the calculation of sustainable yield of special- species timber; and that uses other than timber production will continue to be managed in accordance with clause 78 of the Agreement.	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
55 (a-e)	The Parties agree that:	(a) and (b)
	<ul> <li>(a) during the first four years of this Agreement, the State will review its resource estimates for deep red myrtle available for supply to the furniture and craft industries, in terms of volume, quality and economic accessibility, and will publish a report of the findings;</li> </ul>	completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review (c) – (e) Completed prior to 2007 five- yearly review
	<ul> <li>(b) the State will arrange for the review described at (a) above to be independently audited by an auditor agreed by the Parties, and for a report by the auditor to be published;</li> </ul>	yearly review
	<ul> <li>(c) the further management of the Savage River Pipeline corridor will be considered by the State prior to the first Five-Yearly review of this Agreement in the light of the report and the audit described at subclauses (a) and (b) above;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(d) if the resource review and audit confirm the availability, outside the Savage River Pipeline corridor, of adequate resource of acceptable quality and economic accessibility, to maintain a supply of at least 4,500 cubic metres per year of deep red myrtle, for the remainder of the term of the Agreement, then harvesting and associated forest roading within the area will be further postponed for that period; and</li> </ul>	
	(e) in the alternative, the area will be further considered by the State to ensure the availability of deep red myrtle for the period.	
56	The Commonwealth agrees that those areas of the Buckland Military Training Area leased by the Commonwealth from the State and not required for the CAR Reserve System will remain available to the State for timber production purposes, including plantation development	Ongoing commitment has been met
57	The Parties agree that any changes to those elements of the CAR reserve system in Informal reserves, will occur only in accordance with this agreement, will maintain the level of protection of identified values at the regional scale and that information on all such changes will be publicly available and provided to the person or body conducting the five-yearly review described in clause 45 for incorporation into the review process	Ongoing commitment has been met

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
58	<ul> <li>The State will continue, with respect to private land, to:</li> <li>(a) ensure that private forest owners comply with the Forest Practices Code for harvesting and regeneration operations;</li> </ul>	Ongoing commitment has been met
	<ul> <li>(b) develop adequate mechanisms to protect nature conservation and catchment values; and</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>(c) undertake the initiatives specified in Attachments 9, 10 and 11</li> </ul>	
59	The State agrees to implement a process to facilitate the voluntary participation by private landowners to protect CAR values on private land	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
60	The State agrees to adopt the Permanent Native Forest Estate policy framework in Attachment 9	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
64	The State agrees to amend its forest management systems to reflect the undertakings in this Agreement, particularly those in Attachment 10	Some completed prior to 2002 and 2007 five-yearly reviews. Others progressed and ongoing commitments met
69	Prior to the first five-yearly review, the State will, where practical, assess the species listed in Attachment 2 (Part B) and determine management requirements in accordance with clause 96	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
70	Actions in agreed recovery plans or threat-abatement plans will be implemented in accordance with timelines in Plan or as soon as possible thereafter	Ongoing commitment has been met
71	Any changes to the Priority Species in Attachment 2 or altered management prescriptions for Priority Species will be in accordance with processes in clause 96	Ongoing commitment has been met
72	Public reporting and consultation opportunities provided through the processes outlined in Attachment 11 will continue	Ongoing commitment has been met
73	The State will implement the range of reporting and consultative mechanisms in Attachment 11	Ongoing commitment has been met
74	The Parties agree to cooperate in implementing the specified actions in the Employment and Industries Development Strategy (Attachment 12)	Ongoing commitment has been met
79	The Parties recognise that, subject to clauses 80, 81 and 82, mineral exploration and mining can occur in the parts of the CAR reserve system identified in Attachment 6	Ongoing commitment has been met
80	Mineral exploration proposals in CAR reserves to be referred to the Mineral Exploration Working Group	Ongoing commitment has been met
81	All mining activities in CAR reserves will be subject to environmental impact assessment and environmental management conditions	Ongoing commitment has been met

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
82	In parts of the CAR reserve system with high-quality wilderness value, measures will be taken to minimise the effects of mining exploration and mining activities on wilderness values. Any rehabilitation will aim to restore the site to wilderness condition.	Ongoing commitment has been met
83	Tasmania will introduce legislation to replace the <i>Aboriginal Relics Act</i> after consultation with the Tasmanian Aboriginal Community	Progressed but not yet completed
87	The State confirms its commitments under the Competition Principles Agreement, which provides that legislation relevant to the allocation and pricing of hardwood logs from State forests will be reviewed before the 31 <sup>st</sup> December 1999. Competitive neutrality principles will be taken into account in any changes following the review.	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
89	Relevant research reports will be made publicly available wherever practicable	Ongoing commitment has been met
90	Commonwealth and Tasmania to provide each other with access to data as per Attachment 14 (The Parties recognise that the implementation and monitoring of this Agreement depends on appropriate mutual access to and accreditation of relevant information owned and held by each of them and have agreed to provide such access and accreditation for the term of this Agreement in accordance with the practices and procedures specified in Attachment 14)	Mostly completed prior to 2002 five- yearly review. Some ongoing commitment's met
91	The Parties agree to develop and establish by the first of December 1999 an appropriate, practical and cost effective set of Sustainability Indicators	Completed prior to the 2002 five-yearly review
93	The State agrees, within five years of the date of this Agreement, to further develop it Forest Management Systems and processes through the development of EMSs in accordance with the principles laid out in Attachment 5 and acknowledges that its objective for State Forest is system certification comparable with the ISO 14000 series.	Completed for State forest prior to the 2002 five-yearly review.
94	The State agrees to publish and make publicly available, its: Annual compliance audits of the implementation of the <i>Forest</i> <i>Practices Act 1985 (Tas.)</i> , Forest Practices Code and its code of reserve management specified in Attachment 10.9.	Ongoing commitment has been met
96	The State agrees that any changes to Priority Species, including new or altered management prescriptions, will provide for the maintenance of the species, be scientifically sound, be endorsed by the Threatened Species Scientific Advisory Committee and will also take note of public comment.	Ongoing commitment has been met
97	The State agrees to maintain and update databases of management prescriptions and responses to disturbance for threatened species and use these as the basis for management of the species. Updated contents of the databases to be periodically available for public comment.	Ongoing commitment has been met

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
98	The State agrees to undertake a review of sustainable high- quality sawlog levels from public land to reflect changes in forest inventory and new intensive management initiatives.	Completed for the 2002 and 2007 five- yearly reviews.
99	The State agrees to undertake by 30 April 1998 a review of pricing and allocation policies for commercial government- owned forestry operations	Completed prior to the 2002 five-yearly review
100	The Commonwealth will provide \$20 million for the Private CAR Reserve system	Partly provided. Superseded by TCFA
101 (i)	Commonwealth to provide \$57 million for intensive forest management initiatives	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
101 (ii)	Commonwealth to provide \$13 million for employment and industry development initiatives, as per Attachment 12	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
101 (iii)	Commonwealth to provide \$10 million for infrastructure development initiatives, as per Attachment 12	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
101 (iv)	Commonwealth to provide \$10 million for protecting conservation values on private land, as per Attachment 8	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 1.6	The Parties agree, by the 31 December 1998, to jointly fund and accredit for land management purposes digital maps at resolution of 1:100 000 of the boundaries of all lands in Tasmania listed on the Register of the National Estate.	Partially met – No longer required
Att 6.2	The CAR reserve system on Public Land, not including values managed by prescription, will total 2,700,000 ha, comprising 2,304,000ha of existing reserves and 396,000 ha of additional reserves	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 6.5	The State will finalise boundaries on 1:25 000 maps to enable gazettal, referred to clause 24 of the agreement. Finalisation will include identifying the best management boundaries.	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 6.17	Forestry Tasmania will identify those Informal Reserve areas on State forest on Management Decision Classification maps as protection zones and manage the areas for the protection of the CAR values identified, subject to field verification of the existence and extent of those values. These informal reserves will be included in new and revised Forest Management Plans by the year 2000.	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 6.18	Any changes to Informal Reserve boundaries to be in accordance with clause 57	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 6.20	Management plans with public participation for Commonwealth informal reserves to be completed by 2000	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att. 6.21	Certain communities will be protected on public land outside of reserves	Ongoing commitment has been met

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
Att. 6.22, 24	Deferred Forest Land not required for the CAR Reserve system to be removed from the Register of Deferred Forest and entered on the Register of Multiple-Use Forests	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 6.23	Referral of certain Deferred Forest Land to the Public Land Use Commissioner for recommendations on tenure and management	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 8.1	The program will commence after prioritisation of the CAR values and implementation arrangements are established and will continue for an agreed period. Any extension to this would require the agreement of the Parties.	Program ceased in 2006
Att 8.2	Participation in the program by private landowners will be voluntary and no non–voluntary instruments will be used to achieve protection of CAR values on Private Land without proper compensation being paid.	Program ceased in 2006
Att 8.3	The program will seek to maximise agreed CAR values on private lands in a cost-effective manner	Program ceased in 2006
Att 8.18	A variety of commitments were made with respect to a Strategic Plan, identification of priorities, Advisory Committees, and implementation of the CAR Private Reserves Program	Program ceased in 2006
Att 9.5	Appropriate action will be taken by the State if the area of any Forest Community within an IBRA (Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation of Australia) region decreases to a level approaching the nominated minimum level for that region. The State will conduct a formal review of the area of Forest Communities within each IBRA region on a five-yearly basis and report on the findings in the 5 yearly review of the Agreement.	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 9.8	The State will, in addition, in respect of Private Land introduce by the year 1999 mechanisms to encourage native vegetation retention and management including the protection of riparian vegetation, consistent with the agreed outcomes of the national Vegetation Initiative as set out in the Tasmanian Partnership Agreement.	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 9.11	The State agrees that the Permanent Native Forest Estate Policy will be reviewed	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
Att 10.1	Implementation of the State Policy Setting New Standards for Water Quality	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 10.2	Developing a State policy on integrated catchment management	Not to be progressed
Att 10.3	Developing and implementing a Threatened Species Protection Strategy	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 10.4	Implementing the Historic Cultural Heritage Act 1995	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 10.5	Developing new legislation in relation to Aboriginal cultural heritage	Progressed but not yet completed

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
Att 10.6	Further develop and apply flexible silvicultural systems on public land to promote the sustainable production of special timbers.	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 10.7	Development of a range of State-wide policies covering fire management, nature-based tourism, recreation, cultural heritage and forest pest and disease management	Completed since 2002 five-yearly review
Att 10.8.	The State to ensure that management plans are implemented: - for all State forest and National parks; and - for all other formal reserves	Completed for State forest prior to 2002 five-yearly review, further progressed for other reserves
Att 10.9	Implementing, as a high priority, the mechanisms for improving transparency and independence of the Forest Practices Board	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review with further measures implemented since 2002
Att 10.10	Continue to resource the Forest Practices System and maintain appropriate contributions from industry	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 10.11	Develop and implement a code of practice for reserve management	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review. Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 10.12	Ensure that Forest Practices Plans specify best-practice reforestation standards and provide for monitoring Where endangered species have been identified on private land, the plan includes appropriate management prescriptions for those species	Ongoing commitment has been met Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 10.13	Management plans for Formal and Informal reserves identify the CAR values identified in the CRA and actions to manage those values	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 11.1	The State to complete and publish silvicultural guidelines for the management of commercial forest types	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 11.2	The State to publish a description of the methods of calculating sustainable yield on public land, including for special-species timber sawlogs	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 11.3	Relevant State agencies to include in their annual reports a report on outcomes of the compliance audits for codes of practice, and the monitoring of forest regeneration success and trends. See also #41	Ongoing commitment has been met
Att 11.4	The State to release a document describing the Management Decision Classification System	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review

Clause	Commitment and Milestone	Status at June 2011
Att 11.5	The State to prepare and release a revised manual for the Management Decision Classification System, including prescription guidelines for special management zones	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 14.2.5	Latest versions of all jointly owned data—listed in Schedule 1 of Attachment #14—to be exchanged	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 14.3	The State and the Commonwealth to delete all copies of data that they do not own but were provided for RFA purposes, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by the respective data owners	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review
Att 14.4.1	The State and the Commonwealth to list and archive data used for RFA purposes	Completed prior to 2002 five-yearly review

## Table 2 – 2002 RFA Review Recommendations

	Recommendation (abbreviated)	Status at June 2011
3.1	The State continues to improve forest community mapping	Ongoing commitment has been met
3.2	The State reserves areas currently vested in the Hydro- Electric Corporation and identified in the RFA as indicative reserves	Progressed but not yet completed
3.3	The Parties commit to designing a program that provides for the long term future of the Private Forest Reserve Program and provides for the future financial resources for management, monitoring and reporting of properties conserved	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review but superseded by TCFA
3.4	That the State provides the RFA Private Forest Reserve Program with basic forest type and coverage information for areas being assessed under the Private Timber Reserve approval process.	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review but superseded by TCFA
3.5	The Parties clarify the commitment in Clause 39 of the RFA	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
3.6	The State makes known its decision on future access to the deep red myrtle resource in the Savage River Pipeline corridor	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
4.1	The State improves the accountability of the Forest Practices System	Ongoing commitment has been met
4.2	The State completes the Nature Conservation Strategy and commences implementation	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review

	Recommendation (abbreviated)	Status at June 2011
4.3	The State completes the Reserve Management Code of Practice, commences implementation and undertakes annual reporting on compliance	Code completed Ongoing commitment has been met
4.4	The Parties complete the preparation of Recovery Plans for all endangered forest-related threatened species. Where species listed under the Tasmanian Act meet the criteria for listing under the Commonwealth Act, both Parties should contribute funding.	Implementation substantially progressed but not yet completed
4.5	The Parties accredit Threatened Species Listing Statements as an alternative to Recovery Plans for listed threatened species, and as providing for adequate management of listed threatened species under the RFA	Agreed under TCFA not to be implemented
4.6	The State provides for the protection of threatened Forest Communities through an appropriate statutory framework	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
4.7	The State provides sufficient resources for implementation of the Threatened Species Strategy	Ongoing commitment has been met
4.8	The State subjects future substantive changes to management prescriptions for Priority Species to public consultation	Ongoing commitment has been met
4.9	The Parties deliver on the outstanding National Estate commitments contained in Clause 6 and Table 1, Category 3 of Attachment 1 to the RFA, prior to commencement of the next Five-Yearly review	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
4.10	The Parties prepare a list of relevant research reports at future Five-Yearly reviews	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review and for the third review
4.11	The list of priority research areas in Attachment 13 should be reviewed by the Parties, in consultation with relevant stakeholders	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
4.12	The State develops an environmental management system for reserves and other public lands consistent with Attachment 5 of the RFA prior to the next Five-Yearly review	Progressed but not yet completed
4.13	The Parties encourage the development of environmental management systems in the private forest sector	Ongoing commitment has been met
4.14	The State completes the review of the policy on maintaining a Permanent Forest Estate and amends the policy to increase the levels of retention of native forest, and to ensure that no further forest communities become threatened and that there is no deterioration in the status of any existing threatened forest community	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
4.15	The State implements the Policy on maintaining a Permanent Forest Estate through a legislative framework	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review

	Recommendation (abbreviated)	Status at June 2011
4.16	The Forest Practices Board considers giving effect to the smoke management guidelines during the next review of the Forest Practices Code	Progressed. Code review in progress.
4.17	The State proclaims the Natural Resources Management Act 2002 (Tas) and facilitates regional natural resource management strategies	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
5.1	The Parties develop a process to obtain reliable data to inform social and economic indicators for the community and the performance of the forest based industries relevant to Attachment 12 of the RFA. The sustainability indicators relevant to the social and economic aspects of the industry need to be reviewed when such reliable data becomes available.	Progressed further since 2007 but incomplete
5.2	The Parties clarify the intent of Attachment 12 and that the State prepares an industry development strategy based on that intent providing an industry vision and an action plan to achieve it	Superseded by TCFA and 2007 review recommendation
6.1	The State continues to improve transparency in reporting, and continuously improves the methodology for, the sustainable yield reviews of high quality sawlogs from public lands	Ongoing commitment has been met
6.2	The State develops a strategy for ongoing supply of special species timbers from public lands	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
7.1	That the State finalises its nature based tourism and recreational management policy by 31 March 2003	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
7.2	The State continues to work with the apiary industry to resolve the issues on public land for bee keeping and the leatherwood resource and prepares a plan for management of the leatherwood resource in the southern forests	Ongoing commitment has been met. Plan not developed
9.1	The Parties support ongoing research and development for sustainability indicators	Ongoing commitment has been met

## Table 3 – Tasmanian Community Forest Agreement commitments

TCFA Clause	Commitment	Status at June 2011
3	The Parties to continue to implement the recommendations of the 2002 Five-Yearly Review subject to the exception outlined in clause 5	Substantially completed. See Table 2
5	The Parties agree that Recovery Plans for rare and vulnerable species in Tasmania will continue to be the mechanism for compliance with the Commonwealth <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>	Ongoing commitment has been met

TCFA Clause	Commitment	Status at June 2011
6	The Parties to protect one million hectares of old growth forest – 977,000 hectares on public land, 30,000 hectares minimum on private land	Substantially completed
7	The Parties to add approximately 141,000 hectares of public land to the CAR Reserve System	Substantially completed
8	The Parties agree that all additional protected areas on public land will remain available for mineral exploration and mining under the <i>Mineral Resources Development Act 1995</i>	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
9	The State to finalise boundaries of the new reserves at a scale of 1:25,000	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
10	The State to submit plans of new Formal Reserves to Parliament for approval	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
11	The State to finalise informal reserve boundaries and identify on Management Decision Classification maps and manage these areas for protection of CAR values	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
12	The State to progressively amend Forest Management Plans to include new reserves	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
13	The Commonwealth to protect approximately 500 hectares of Commonwealth owned land as informal reserves. These reserves will be included in new or revised management plans prepared with public participation.	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
14	The State to protect 3900 hectares of old growth forest on unallocated Crown land pending completion of the Crown Land Assessment and Classification Project	Ongoing commitment has been met
15	The State to protect 3500 hectares of old growth forest on Hydro Tasmania vested land pending a review of Hydro Tasmania's infrastructure management needs	Ongoing commitment has been met
15	Hydro Tasmania to covenant 1300 hectares of sub-alpine forest on its freehold land	Progressed but not yet completed
16	<ul> <li>The Parties agree that any changes to those elements of the CAR Reserve System in Informal Reserves:</li> <li>will only occur in accordance with the RFA; and</li> <li>will maintain the level of protection of identified values at</li> </ul>	Ongoing commitment has been met
	<ul> <li>the regional scale; and</li> <li>that information on all such changes will be publicly available.</li> </ul>	
17	The State to maintain records of all changes to informal reserves and net impact on CAR reserve values changes will be recorded	Ongoing commitment has been met
18	The State to provide digital data of new formal and informal reserves to the Commonwealth	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
19	The Parties to ensure access to data continues to be provided in accordance with clause 90 and Attachment 14 of the RFA	Ongoing commitment has been met

TCFA Clause	Commitment	Status at June 2011
20	The Parties to co-operate to improve the protection of Old Growth forest on private land, particularly for forest communities that complement the new reserves on public land	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
21	The Commonwealth to establish, administer and fund a new market-based program to protect and manage up to 45,600 hectares of forested private land, additional to that secured under the Private Forest Reserve Program, targeting old growth forest and under reserved communities	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
21	The Commonwealth to provide up to \$3.6 million to protect up to 2400 hectares of forested land in the Mole Creek area	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
23	The Parties to jointly develop and manage the Forest Conservation Fund program and consult with stakeholders on design and implementation	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
24	The Parties to develop a strategic plan under which the Forest Conservation Fund will be administered	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
25	The State to establish conservation covenants on protected land under Forest Conservation Fund. The Commonwealth to reimburse the State all associated costs.	Ongoing commitment has been met
26	The State to provide monitoring and management support services to owners of covenanted land	Ongoing commitment has been met
26	The Commonwealth to provide \$5.5 million to the State for ongoing monitoring and management support services to owners of covenanted land	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
27	The Parties agree that the Private Forest Reserves Program will continue until 30 June 2006, at which time the Program will cease	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
28	The Parties to negotiate a new financial agreement for the use of the remaining Private Forest Reserves Program NHT funds	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
28	The State to transfer any remaining Private Forest Reserves Program NHT funds to the Forest Conservation Fund program	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
29	The State to transfer any remaining Private Forest Reserves Program State Trust Fund funds to a State Private Property Vegetation Conservation program	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
30	The Parties to jointly fund a package of forest management and operations, industry development and research and development activities for reducing clearfelling of old growth forest on State forest	Funded. Program completed since 2007 five-yearly review
31	The State to publicly report the area of public old growth harvested by silviculture technique each year	Ongoing commitment has been met
32	The State to review progress in achieving safety, regeneration and log supply objectives through the new old growth forest silviculture	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review

TCFA Clause	Commitment	Status at June 2011
33	The Parties agree that, further to clauses 75 to 77 of the RFA, further Intensive Forest Management will be used to mitigate the impact of the new reserves and the reduction in use of clearfelling in old growth forest	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
34	The State to deliver an integrated program of existing plantation productivity improvement, new plantation establishment and enhanced native forest thinning designed to maintain RFA targets for sustainable sawlog supplies from State Forests	Substantially completed
36	The State to deliver management and planning of new reserves on public land	Ongoing commitment has been met
37	The Parties agree that the management of new reserves in north west Tasmania will involve community consultation to maintain access for traditional land uses and to maintain cultural links and uses consistent with conservation values	Ongoing commitment has been met
38	The State to phase out the use of 1080 on State Forest	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
39	The Parties to collaborate on a joint program to accelerate research into and implementation of alternatives to 1080 for browsing animal control on private forest and agricultural lands. The Commonwealth to provide \$4 million	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
41	The State to develop a pilot wallaby management plan for a forested area on Tasmania's mainland	Not to be completed
42	The Commonwealth to progress the regulatory process for the wallaby management plans for Flinders and King Islands and the proposed mainland area referred to in clause 41 under the <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity</i> <i>Conservation Act 1999</i>	Completed for the islands prior to 2007 five-yearly review. Mainland plan not to be progressed
44	The State to deliver low-impact access roading to special timber management units on State forest for selective harvesting and access to leatherwood apiary sites	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
45	<ul> <li>The State to revise the Permanent Forest Estate Policy so that:</li> <li>95 per cent of the 1996 area of native forest will be retained</li> </ul>	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
	<ul> <li>broad scale clearing and conversion of native forest on public land will be phased out by 2010</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>broad scale clearing and conversion of native forest on private land will be phased out by 2015</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>regional biodiversity and water quality values will be protected</li> </ul>	
46	The State to design the approach in clause 45 in consultation with the Commonwealth and publicly release the revised the Permanent Forest Estate Policy	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
48	The State to introduce new statutory mechanisms to Parliament to prevent clearing and conversion of threatened non-forest vegetation communities	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review

TCFA Clause	Commitment	Status at June 2011
48	The Parties to amend the 2003 Natural Heritage Trust 2 Bilateral Agreement consistent with this Clause	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
53	The Parties to jointly manage a program to facilitate industry retooling and investment with the aim to maximise recovery of forest products from use regrowth, plantation and other resource changes	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
54	The Parties to consult with industry to determine priority areas for funding [of the program in clause 53]	Completed prior to 2007 five-yearly review
55	The Parties to provide assistance to country sawmillers and to special species timber mills significantly affected by the new agreed reserves in north-west Tasmania	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
56	The Parties to provide assistance for improved marketing, recovery and value adding for special species timbers	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
58	The State to implement publicly accountable systems for monitoring the impact of residue harvesting for biomass energy plants on biodiversity	Not yet commenced – no proposal
59	The Parties to fund and the State to deliver additional roading and other infrastructure to support implementation of new silviculture in public old growth forests	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
60	The Parties to progress all required assessment processes of the Commonwealth <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i> for a pulp mill in Tasmania	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
62	The Commonwealth to consider giving the Gunns pulp mill project major project status and facilitation of the project at the national level	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
63	The Commonwealth to fund and administer, in cooperation with the State, a \$10 million softwood industry assistance program	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
64	The Commonwealth to consult with the State and the Tasmanian softwood industry to determine priorities for value-added investment	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
66	The Commonwealth to fund [\$4 million] and administer a program to support improved training and skills development throughout the forestry sector	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
67	The Parties to fund the development of forest tourism and visitor facilities focusing on new public land reserves	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
68	The Commonwealth to fund and administer, in cooperation with the State, and subject to any State approval processes, a \$1 million program towards the provision of bushwalking infrastructure in north west Tasmania	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
69	The Commonwealth to provide \$1 million to a catchment water quality program to be developed and delivered in consultation with the State	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review

TCFA Clause	Commitment	Status at June 2011
70	The Parties to support State research into the Tasmanian Devil Facial Tumour Disease through a collaborative partnership	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
71	The Commonwealth to provide \$2 million to specific priority projects [on research into the Tasmanian Devil Facial Tumour Disease] developed in consultation with the State	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
72	The Commonwealth to provide \$2.2 million for a communication program to be delivered in consultation with the State	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
75	The Commonwealth to contribute to the State \$66 million towards intensive forest management activities and \$13 million as a general grant	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
76	<ul> <li>The Commonwealth will contribute:</li> <li>\$2 million towards research into alternatives to clearfelling</li> <li>\$42 million towards support for the hardwood sawmill industry</li> <li>\$4 million towards support for country sawmillers</li> <li>\$2.2 million towards a communication program</li> <li>\$2 million towards tourism and recreation projects</li> </ul>	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
77	The State to contribute \$90 million towards the package	Completed since 2007 five-yearly review
79	The State to provide the Commonwealth with annual acquittal reports and proposed activity statement on IFM program funds	Ongoing commitment has been met

## Table 4 – 2007 Five-Yearly Review Recommendations

	Recommendations	Status at June 2011
1	The State requests FPA to review its monitoring and compliance functions	Completed
2	The State requests FPA to improve availability of Forest Practices Plan information	Completed
3	Parties to encourage industry to complete review of Good Neighbour Charter	Completed
4	The State to consult with signatories to Good Neighbour Charter to encourage reporting on its effectiveness	Completed
5	The State to establish a program for completing management plans or management regime for Nature Conservation Act reserves	Completed
6	The State to provide resources to implement management plan program	Substantially completed
7	Negotiations in relation to management plans with the Tasmanian Aboriginal community to be resolved prior to 30 June 2009	Progressed

	Recommendations	Status at June 2011
8	The State to progress other management planning matters concurrent with Aboriginal negotiations	Progressed
9	The Parties at minimum maintain but also consider increasing reserve funding	Not progressed
10	The State ensures compliance audits of the Tasmanian Reserve Code of Practice and public reporting of results	Progressed
11	The Parties to request FPA to review mechanisms for ensuring harvesting operations do not impact on formal reserve boundaries	Completed
12	The Parties prepare and publish Listing Statements or Advice for all forest related threatened species and new species at time of listing.	Progressed
13	The Parties make the Listing Statements or Advice publicly available on an appropriate internet site as each is completed.	Ongoing commitment has been met
14	The Parties continue to complete Recovery Plans for forest- related endangered species with priority to those already in preparation	Progressed
15	The Parties to review RFA commitments with a view to removing duplication and ensuring consistency between Commonwealth and State listing processes with up to date lists being made publicly available	Progressed
16	The State in consultation with the Commonwealth review the forest practices system processes for threatened species	Completed
17	The Parties continue to improve knowledge on threatened species and efficacy of management prescriptions, including explicit monitoring programs	Ongoing commitment has been met
18	The Parties consider the need to amend the RFA to reflect the 2006 amendments to the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999	Will be considered as part of the RFA renewal
19	The State completes Water Management Plans under the Water Management Act 1999 in accordance with its commitments under the National Water Initiative Implementation Plan	Progressed
20	The State continues to invest in research into the impacts of forestry practices on hydrological cycles in Tasmanian catchments	Ongoing commitment has been met
21	The State completes the development of its computer model for impacts of forestry practices on hydrological cycles	Completed
22	The State ensures public access to information supporting the water model	Ongoing commitment has been met
23	The State ensures Water Management Plans provide a risk based approach to water management	Ongoing commitment has been met
24	The State to request the FPA to consider the inclusion of measures in the Forest Practices Code to manage impacts on water yield to meet Water Management Plan objectives	Completed

	Recommendations	Status at June 2011
25	The State completes and implements an EMS for all reserves under the <i>Nature Conservation Act 2002</i>	Progressed
26	The State ensures the state-wide fire policy management framework takes account of plantations, drought and climate change impacts	Completed
27	The State ensures that policies in the fire management policy framework on all tenures are made publicly available	Ongoing commitment has been met
28	The Parties improve the collection and reporting of relevant climate change data to assist understanding of carbon and climate change issues	Ongoing commitment has been met
29	The State requests the FPA to report on success of forest regeneration on public and private land	Completed
30	The Parties to confirm commitment to management of national estate values	Completed
31	The Parties consider amending the RFA to reflect the changes in the Commonwealth legislation related to the national estate and national heritage lists	Will be considered as part of the RFA renewal
32	The State examines places on the National Estate Register to determine the ongoing status of any properties or values	Completed
33	The State request the FPA to review and revise the Forest Practices Archaeological Manual in relation to matters other than Aboriginal heritage and make revisions as required to take account of new Tasmanian Aboriginal heritage legislation	Progressed
34	The State ensures that Forestry Tasmania makes available reports and documentation on review of sustainable high quality sawlog supply for public comment at the next review	Progressed
35	The State reviews and identifies indicators to track sawlog quality	Completed
36	The State completes the special species supply strategy	Completed
37	The Parties commence process to identify the issues relevant to the extension of the RFA in advance of the third Review	Not progressed
38	The Parties facilitate preparation by industry of an updated development strategy	Completed
39	The Parties review and revise Attachment 12 of the RFA	Not progressed
40	The Parties continue a broad community education program on forests, forestry and importance of the industry	Ongoing commitment has been met
41	The State to complete the plan for the future of the apiary industry	Progressed
42	The Parties to identify major RFA and TCFA program financial commitments and undertake financial and performance audits and publish results	Substantially complete
43	The Parties review the availability and reliability of social and economic data and indicators for inclusion in the next Five-Yearly review	Progressed

## Acronyms

ABARES	Australian Bureau of Agricultural and Resource Economics and Sciences
AFS	Australian Forestry Standard
CAR	Comprehensive, Adequate and Representative
CGT	Capital Gains Tax
CRA	Comprehensive Regional Assessment
CRC	Cooperative Research Centre
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
Cwth	Commonwealth
CLAC	Crown Land Assessment and Classification Project
dbh	Diameter Breast Height
DPIWE	Department of Primary Industries, Water and Environment
DIIWE	(Tas) (now DPIPWE)
DPIPWE	Department of Primary Industries, Parks, Water and Environment
	(Tas)
EIMP	Environmental Impact Management Plan
EMS	Environmental Management System
EPBC	Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation
ESFM	Ecologically Sustainable Forest Management
FCF	Forest Conservation Fund
FFIC	Forests and Forest Industry Council of Tasmania
FPA	Forest Practices Authority
FSC	Forest Stewardship Council
FWPA	Forest and Wood Products Australia
IBRA	Interim Biogeographic Regionalisation for Australia
IFM	Intensive Forest Management
ISO	International Standards Organisation
JANIS	Joint Australia and New Zealand Environment and Conservation
0, 110	Council / Ministerial Council on Fisheries, Forestry and Aquaculture
	<u>National Forest Policy Statement Implementation Sub-committee</u>
MDC	Management Decision Classification
MVEP	Monitoring Vegetation Extent Project
NHL	National Heritage List
NHT	Natural Heritage Trust
NRM	Natural Resource Management
PEFC	Program for the Endorsement of Forest Certification schemes
PFRP	Private Forest Reserves Program
PEV	Protected Environmental Values
PFT	Private Forests Tasmania
PLCP	Private Land Conservation Program
RAA	Reserve Activity Assessment
RFA	Regional Forest Agreement
RPDC	Resource Planning and Development Commission
TAFE	Technical and Further Education
Tas	Tasmania(n)TASVEG Tasmanian Vegetation Management Strategy
TCFA	Tasmanian Community Forest Agreement
TCSAP	Tasmanian Country Sawmillers Assistance Program
TFIDP	Tasmanian Forest Industry Development Program
TSIDP	Tasmanian Softwood Industry Development Program
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