

Giant Tree Policy



Sustainable Timber Tasmania is responsible for land management and wood production in Tasmania's Permanent Timber Production Zone (PTPZ).

Background

Tasmania's Giant Trees are amongst the largest trees in the world and are of national and international significance. Giant Trees are defined as trees that are at least 85 metres tall or at least 280 cubic metres estimated stem volume. Based on current known examples, trees of this volume are generally at least 5 metres in diameter at chest height.

Most Giant Trees are reserved in Tasmania's extensive World Heritage areas, National Parks and other conservation reserves. Sustainable Timber Tasmania acknowledges the natural and cultural value of the Giant Trees in Tasmania.

Objective

Sustainable Timber Tasmania will seek to identify, manage and protect Giant Trees in Tasmania's Permanent Timber Production Zone. Under this policy, Sustainable Timber Tasmania will:

- Implement measures aimed at protecting currently known Giant Trees;
- Undertake surveys to identify any Giant Trees within coupes in the Three Year Plan that have the potential to contain these trees;
- Maintain records of all Giant Trees identified on PTPZ land.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Steve Whiteley".

Steve Whiteley
Chief Executive Officer
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