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**Tasmanian Community Forest Agreement Industry Development  
 Program Expenditure**

**Table 1: Tasmanian Forest Industry Development Program**

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Grant title</b>	<b>Final disbursements (ex GST)</b>
A.G. & G.R. Padgett Pty Ltd	Purchase of one high-wide excavators for regrowth thinning.	\$87,750.00
A.G. & G.R. Padgett Pty Ltd	Purchase of a second high-wide excavators for regrowth thinning.	\$97,500.00
Allen Brittain Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment.	\$136,175.00
Andrew Lette Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting and haulage equipment.	\$939,250.00
Andrew Lette Pty Ltd	Purchase of two skidders and an excavator for use in plantations.	\$225,880.85
Aprin Logging	Traditional harvesting re-tooling through the purchase of new equipment to process smaller diameter re-growth timbers.	\$630,259.50
Aprin Logging	Mulcher re-forestation project including purchase of 6 mulching machines and other equipment.	\$421,688.87
Australian Paper	Purchase and installation of three natural gas boilers to replace oil and LP gas at the Wesley Vale pulp and paper mill.	\$1,267,500.00
AW Harvesting P/L	Purchase of new equipment to process plantation timber.	\$125,960.00
B.R. & K.F. Muskett and Sons Pty Ltd (replaced by BIS Industrial Logistics)	Construction of a woodchipping facility as part of an integrated wood processing facility.	\$5,620,681.27
Berwick Excavator Hire Pty Ltd	Purchase of new mechanical harvesting equipment.	\$213,967.00

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Britton Timbers	Purchase & installation of new equipment for dry mill facilities including reconditioner, kilns, docker, dust extraction system, LOSP treatment plant, semi automatic racking machine and forklift truck.	\$717,308.30
Britton Timbers	Act of Grace payment to assist the company to meet tax liabilities on special compensation grants that they received from the Tasmanian Government to compensate them for the loss of logging areas reserved under the TCFA.	\$850,000.00
Buffalo Valley Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of hardwood thinning equipment, including feller buncher, processor, forwarder & excavator.	\$399,425.00
Buffalo Valley Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of native regrowth thinning equipment, including feller buncher, processors & forwarder.	\$853,320.00
Casegrande Lumber P/L	Upgrade harvesting equipment to harvest regrowth and plantation forests.	\$343,937.10
Casegrande Lumber P/L	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment.	\$1,117,173.20
Chatwin Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of Tigercat 822 fellerbuncher	\$212,903.42
CJR Excavations	Purchase of an excavator to assist with heaping of logging debris and scarification of soil, and construction of tracks for access for vermin control.	\$51,285.00
CK Forest Management P/L (replaced by Tasmanian Forest Contractors Association)	Purchase of a mechanical harvesting simulator.	\$14,300.00

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CK Forest Management Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanised logging equipment for old growth/regrowth operation, including falling head & guarding package & cut-off saw.	\$119,112.50
Corinna Timbers	Act of Grace payment to assist the company to meet tax liabilities on special compensation grants that they received from the Tasmanian Government to compensate them for the loss of logging areas reserved under the TCFA.	\$73,719.80
D.M. & S.J. Iles P/L	Purchase of a purpose-built falling machine and processing machine, an on-site chipper and bins to assist in the transfer from old-growth forests to thinning of native forest regrowth and plantations.	\$347,887.66
Eastern Tiers Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment.	\$410,751.90
Fielding Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment to assist in the move from native forests to plantations.	\$211,250.00
Forest & Forest Industries Council (replaced by FIAT as agent for administering the grant)	Upgrade of hand-held computers for use with the electronic log docket system.	\$110,075.86
Forest Enterprises Australia Ltd	Purchase of plant & equipment, mobile equipment and a range of supporting civil, building and electrical work upgrades to upgrade sawmill & kiln drying plant.	\$7,067,125.00
G & W Harvesting P/L	Purchase & installation of SATCO harvesting/processing head & boom fitted to a Komatsu base, drying kiln, electric sawmill & chipper.	\$501,085.20
GM Logging P/L	Purchase of mechanical harvesting head to assist in diversifying the operation to include plantation timber.	\$54,600.00

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Gunns Ltd	Purchase of a moulder for the production of parquetry flooring and other products.	\$105,461.86
Gunns Ltd	Installation of a wall frame line to produce pre-made wall frames from lower quality logs.	\$6,606.60
H & K Timber Pty Ltd	Refurbishment of building and purchase of equipment for roof truss manufacture, timber dressing, sales and storage.	\$79,778.40
Howells Logging Co Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting a processing equipment to assist in the transfer from old-growth forest to regrowth forests and plantations.	\$212,225.00
ITC	Drymill optimising docker at Mowbray mill (docking machine, dust extraction, sorting table, and associated equipment)	\$94,356.60
ITC	Transport of secondhand Head Rig from Murrindindi (ITC) to Southwood. (including refurbishment of head rig, extension to building electrical upgrade and steel works)	\$208,813.00
ITC	Replacement of boiler at the company's Mowbray mill.	\$660,237.00
Kaym P/L	Purchase of a Timberjack forwarder & a Skel log trailer with rear barrier.	\$152,750.00
K-Mac Forestry Systems P/L	Purchase of new feller buncher, pre-tracking excavator & processing head.	\$374,946.00
Koppers Wood Products P/L	Purchase & install infeed docking station (total project cost shown in TSI 3). Purchase and install second peeler.	\$136,866.60
Les Walkden Enterprises Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment, an infield chipper and a wood recycler.	\$759,712.20
LNG joint venture	Construction and operation of a natural gas liquefaction plant and refuelling infrastructure for use by timber harvesting contractors.	\$6,565,000.00
M C Cartage Enterprises Pty Ltd	Purchase of two Caterpillar 322B excavators	\$65,000.00
McKay Timber	Upgrading mills at Glenorchy, installation of a sapwood treatment plant, mechanical racking machine and finger jointer to enable processing of	\$1,763,124.02

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	smaller logs.	
McKay Timber	Upgrading mills at Glenorchy, installation of a sapwood treatment plant, mechanical racking machine and finger jointer to enable processing of smaller logs.	\$108,213.97
Morgan Timbers (Tas) P/L	Upgrade mill equipment, including optimising docking saw, drying kilns & end-matcher. Training, marketing and community involvement.	\$240,488.23
North West Softwoods Pty Ltd (now trading as Gillies Harvesting)	Purchase of a harvesting machine to enable the company to dispense with manual harvesting.	\$165,525.45
Nothrop Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase new mechanical harvesting equipment to assist transition from old-growth forests to plantations.	\$186,875.00
Paper Australia Pty Ltd	Upgrade the receiving facility at the Burnie paper mill to enable the company to accept pulp from Maryvale instead of from overseas.	\$605,764.90
Paper Australia Pty Ltd	Installation of new winding equipment to enable the production of wider diameter reels at the Wesley Vale mill.	\$281,947.83
Perotti Brothers Enterprises Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment for thinning eucalypt plantations to promote the production of high-value sawlogs and veneer logs.	\$540,764.55
Riella Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment.	\$209,169.03
RJ & J Bishop P/L	Upgrade harvesting equipment to improve native forest and pulpwood log recovery in regrowth forests.	\$90,789.08
Saunders Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of new mechanical harvesting equipment and haulage equipment	\$761,949.55
Select Logging P/L	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment to thin native re-growth forest.	\$74,750.00

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Southcape Harvesters Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment.	\$255,696.13
Statewide Forest Services Pty Ltd	Purchase of electric pruners to improve the safety and efficiency of plantation pruning operations.	\$9,376.90
Ta Ann Tasmania Pty Ltd	Establishment of a rotary peeled veneer mill near Smithton.	\$10,386,811.50
Tasmanian Eucalypt and Native Seeds Pty Ltd	Purchase of electric pruners to improve the safety and efficiency of plantation pruning operations.	\$8,710.00
Tasmanian Mechanical Harvesting	Purchase of excavators and skidder for mechanical harvesting operations	\$429,377.00
University of Tasmania & Industry	Undertake a "whole-of-industry" research programme to achieve widespread adoption of value-adding technology applicable to the changed nature of the market and resource base faced by the Tasmanian hardwood products industry	\$910,000.00
Whiteline Timber Products	Purchase & installation of vacuum & kilns. Modification of green sawmilling facility to cut smaller end logs.	\$386,750.00
Whitestone Consultants (Porta Mouldings Pty Ltd)	Build a new air-drying factory at Bridgewater and investigate the feasibility of moving operations from Melbourne to Bridgewater.	\$1,140,425.00
Wildcat Contracting Pty Ltd	Purchase of a felling head processor.	\$49,730.00
Wilson Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment for harvesting small-diameter regrowth logs.	\$308,040.20
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$51,557,904.03</b>

**Table 2: Tasmanian Country Sawmills Assistance Program**

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Grant title</b>	<b>Final disbursements (ex GST)</b>
Bakes Sawmill P/L	Purchase of moulder, finger jointer, press, docking system and shed.	\$55,687.25

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D.J & P.H. Blair & Sons	Upgrade of sawmill to enable timber lengths to be gangnailed together.	\$17,712.50
G.L. & V.N. Barber P/L	Purchase new primary breaking down equipment to process low grade regrowth sawlogs.	\$487,500.00
Gondwana Forest Products	Purchase of kilns, bandsaw mill, twin edger, slabmaster, forklift & 4WD truck/forwarder.	\$48,620.26
Goshen Sawmill	Purchase & installation of mill waste wood chipper.	\$33,386.60
Huon Valley Timber	Purchase of new sawing equipment, edger, moulder, kiln, reconditioning chamber and other items to add value to native timbers.	\$57,122.10
I. & J. Kelly	Installation of a glue-laminating plant to add value to short logs.	\$306,132.30
Kelly Gang Timbers	Purchase and installation of a twin edger and associated equipment to add value to lower quality logs.	\$121,985.21
Low Impact Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of portable sawmill, kiln and other equipment to develop a sawmilling business to complement existing logging operations.	\$26,193.70
Maclaine Enterprises	Extension & renovation of existing kilns. Purchase of new equipment to process smaller logs.	\$147,557.82
Mathews Timber Pty Ltd	Purchase of new drying and sawing equipment to enable the company to move from large old growth logs to smaller logs.	\$175,014.19
McKay Investments	Upgrade St Helens sawmill.	\$727,967.50
Mirragong	Purchase of new kiln and reconditioner	\$155,179.88
Phillips Sawmill	Upgrade the company's sawmill facilities at Geeveston.	\$84,498.98
R.A. & L.E. Cunningham (Blue Tier)	Purchase of kiln, planer, generator, forwarder and other equipment to add value to sawmill wastes.	\$59,859.65
Smart Timber Solutions Pty Ltd	Upgrade sawmill to assist processing of lower grade logs and plantation logs.	\$369,219.25

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Stronach Timber Industries	Install a new band saw, multi-rip saw and ancillary equipment for the production of pallets for local and overseas markets.	\$319,149.31
Tasmanian Timber (Longford Sawmill)	Installation of kilns, moulders, edgers and other equipment to add value to sawn timber purchased from St Leonards Sawmill.	\$440,037.00
Torenius Timber P/L	Install new six-head moulder	\$45,500.00
Torenius Timber P/L	Purchase of end-matcher & reconditioning chamber. Upgrade of green timber sorting area.	\$18,117.50
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$3,696,441.00</b>



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**Table 3: Tasmanian Softwood Industry Development Program**

<b>Grantee</b>	<b>Grant title</b>	<b>Final disbursements (ex GST)</b>
Auspine	Purchase of up to 150,000 cubic metres of sawlogs from Strahan, Flinders Island and King Island.	\$585,000.00
Branxholm Sawmill	Replace all current sawmilling equipment with a new log processing line to increase capacity from 22,000 tonnes to 35,000 tonnes per annum.	\$232,705.45
Chris Hall Investments Pty Ltd	Purchase of a forwarder, excavator, felling head and feller buncher for harvesting in softwood plantations.	\$438,120.84
Forest Enterprises Australia	Installation of a treatment plant to enable chemical treatment of pine products at the company's Bell Bay mill.	\$225,365.40
K.J. & B. Mahnken Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment for use in softwood plantations.	\$1,477,042.16
Kevin Morgan P/L	Purchase of new harvesting equipment, including 3 harvester heads and 2 harvesters.	\$677,328.60
Koppers Wood Products	Purchase and install an infeed docking station to facilitate docking of longer lengths of pine. Install second peeler which has already been purchased.	\$129,846.60
Mechanised Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of a forwarder, harvester and excavator for use in thinning of softwood plantations.	\$433,225.00
Mechanised Logging Pty Ltd	Purchase of a new harvester for use in the Scottsdale region.	\$227,635.00
Norske Skog	Upgrading the bleaching plant at the Boyer mill.	\$1,917,500.00
Norske Skog	Expansion of thermomechanical pulping capacity at the Boyer Mill.	\$6,054,326.20
Statewide Forest Services	Purchase of harvesting equipment.	\$88,805.60

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Timberlands [on behalf of Softwood Tasmania (Operator) Pty Ltd]	Two phosphate fertiliser applications in pine plantations at ages 4-8 and again after first thinning to increase sawlog production.	\$610,500.80
Timberlands [on behalf of Softwood Tasmania (Operator) Pty Ltd]	Mechanical waste thinning of 1,983 hectares of pine plantations to improve forest growth and increase sawlog production.	\$128,176.75
Timberlands [on behalf of Softwood Tasmania (Operator) Pty Ltd]	Chemical and mechanical treatment of pine plantations to remove wildling pine and eucalypt seedlings.	\$309,947.40
Wright's Harvesting Pty Ltd	Purchase of mechanical harvesting equipment.	\$96,721.30
<b>Total</b>		<b>\$13,632,247.10</b>