

SAFE LOG TRANSPORTATION IN THE NORTHLAND FORESTRY REGION

Memorandum of Understanding between members of the Northland Wood Council

Purpose

This memorandum of understanding between members of the Northland Wood Council (NWC) confirms agreed log transport safety standards, technology and information sharing arrangements between NWC member companies. The objective of this MOU is to provide for a high level of safety performance of log transport operations across NWC member's Northlands forest operations.

Scope

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Log transport activities within the Northland Wood Council forest operations in the Northland region.

Understandings and Agreements

- All logging trucks will be fitted with GPS technology.
- Logging truck supplier to NWC members will have a policy to systematically monitor the speed of all trucks in their employ including corrective actions for breaches of imposed speed restrictions.
- NWC will work with their respective logging truck suppliers to progressively implement Electronic Stability Control systems into new trailers as they are put into service.
- From 1 July 2018, the standard logging twitch will no longer be approved by for use in NWC operations as the primary load restraint mechanism for securing and tensioning loads in Northland. Log transport suppliers will use approved alternatives such as recoilless twitches, winches, ratchets or other equivalent approved devices.
- NWC will work with its log transport suppliers to identify and implement new technology and processes that improves or enhances health and safety performance, logistical performance and efficiencies as they become available.
- NWC members will share incident investigation reports (where legally able), information, and collaborate on regional log transport safety initiatives to continuously improve the safety performance of log transport operations in the Northland region.

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