

# FOREST MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES

*“Tolko is committed to professional and sustainable forest management.”*

Forest lands managed by Tolko make an important contribution to the quality of life for many communities by providing a wide range of environmental, social and economic benefits. Our ability to provide raw materials to our manufacturing facilities depends on managing forest resources and respecting all forest values.

Tolko’s Management Team develops strategic direction and provides resources to the Woodlands departments. The Woodlands group, drawing on the input from our employees, stakeholders, Indigenous partners, and members of the public, will develop professional resource plans that demonstrate an innovative and sensitive approach to forest land management.

## **Activities that support these principles are:**

- Maintaining or improving the health and productivity of forest ecosystems and biological diversity;
- Actively promoting stakeholder and public participation through open communication;
- Respecting and recognizing established Indigenous title and rights, and treaty rights;
- Providing for safeguards to the health and safety of employees, contractors, and the public in our Woodlands operations;
- Complying with relevant forest management legislation, policies, and legally binding international conventions or agreements to which Canada is a signatory.
- Evaluating our forest management performance through internal and external audits, reviews, and benchmarking; and,
- Increasing our knowledge and expertise through advances in science and the implementation of adaptive management.