

- Five-year forest and fire service contracts in Victoria
- Australian Forest Industries ForestFit™ Memorandum of Understanding
- Masterclass program
- Professional Freight Task Management Program
- Native timber industry campaign



Australian Forest Contractors Association

A MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIR

For more than 20 years AFCA has represented forest contracting businesses by serving as a credible, trustworthy, and effective partner for industry and government.

AFCA continues to provide influential advocacy nationally while working on ways to assist you to improve business practices, capabilities, and opportunities. We continue to work on projects such as ForestFit™, Professional Freight Task Management training and the development of sustainable contract clauses to support your negotiations.

Like you, I am finding it harder to make ends meet with rising costs. Each year, I reflect on how AFCA supports my business. Beyond keeping me informed about important issues and enabling networking with other contracting businesses, I realise:

- Without AFCA, we would lack representation regarding future laws, regulations and contractual obligations, leaving us trying to deal with this individually.
- Government agencies could change safety, environmental, and infrastructure laws without our input. AFCA keeps me informed and represents my interests.
- Despite politicians acknowledging our industry's contributions to the Australian economy, sustainability, carbon sequestration and rural employment, we must remind their advisors every election cycle. I don't have the time or connections, so who will do that?
- Members benefit from free HR advice from the QTA and access to high-level mentoring through the "Masterclass" program.
- The establishment of the internationally recognised ForestFit™ Standards and Certification scheme
 demonstrates to everyone the professionalism and importance of our part of the supply chain. As a
 member you gain discounted access to ForestFit™ which supports business improvement and training
 tailored for forest contracting businesses.

These efforts require your continued financial support through membership. By banding together with our members and sponsors, AFCA can use its increasing numbers and statistics to strengthen our advocacy work by representing a significant portion of the national supply chain.



Adan Taylor, CPA
GMT Logging Pty Ltd
Chair, AFCA Board of Directors

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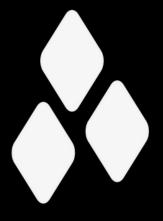
ABOUT AFCA

Our diverse membership covers businesses from all parts of the forest management industry including silviculture, harvesting, haulage, and civil works. AFCA ensures that members, the forest industry supply chain and government bodies stay informed about the latest advancements and best practices for a sustainable and thriving forest industry.

At AFCA our goal is to provide a value-adding advantage for members through meaningful collaboration across industry, influential advocacy to government and impactful products and services. Since 2002, AFCA has been working to improve forest contracting business outcomes and the sustainability of our working forests.

Representing your interests, AFCA actively engages with government bodies, industry stakeholders and the community to shape policies and initiatives that foster positive change. Through our advocacy efforts we aim to create an environment that supports the growth and success of our members and the industry as a whole.

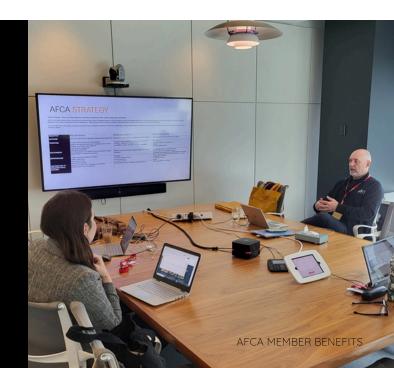
Becoming an AFCA member offers a unique opportunity to provide input into industry and government initiatives that directly impact your business. The strong partnerships between AFCA, our members, the forest industry supply chain and all levels of government creates a powerful network that drives innovation, sustainability, and long-term success. As a member, you will benefit from this network, gaining access to valuable industry insights, networking opportunities and a seat at the tables that are shaping the future of the forest industry.



AFCA is a lean member-funded organisation governed by a volunteer Board of Directors who are supported by our General Manager, Tim Lester.

Tim brings more than two decades of experience in government and industry, focusing on natural resource management, sustainable agriculture, biosecurity, and rural innovation.

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RECENT ACHIEVEMENTS

More control over your business

- Development of the ForestFit[™] Standard and Certification scheme to provide forest contracting businesses a way to reduce duplication in audits and assessments, which means less downtime.
- Commitment of 8 leading growers to the Australian Forest Industries ForestFit™ Memorandum of Understanding to ensure your investments in business practice and performance are recognised.

Safety first

 Development and rolling out the Professional Freight Task Management program to improve safety for truck drivers.

Skills for success

• Successfully ran the first AFCA Masterclass series to support current and emerging business leaders improve critical skills for business success.

Recognising achievements

 Over 200 contractors inducted into the industry Hall Of Fame since 2002.



MEMBER FEES

Join us in our mission to support and promote a viable forest industry and a sustainable future. Contact us today should you have any queries regarding membership and how AFCA can help elevate your business and amplify your influence within the forest contracting community.

Harvest	and/	or	haulage
Production	tonnes	per	annum

Less than 100K \$1375

Between 100K-250k \$2430

Between 250-500k \$3780

More than 500k \$5285

Subcontractor

Sole provider subcontracting to \$975 forest contracting businesses.

Affliate

Individuals either active or retired \$340 who are working in or supporting forest products industries.

Silviculture

Establishing, growing and/or ensuring \$1375 health, and quality of forests.

\$1375

Civil

Constructing, managing and/or maintaining infrastructure projects within the forest.

Minor Forest Products

Production of firewood, biomass, \$1375 woodchip and/or other products.

Supporter

Supply chain (eg) forest growers, \$1375 managers, mills, processors, education and research institutions and other supporting organisations.

