

29 March 2023

Mr Clive Stott

Email: cleanair@cleanairtas.com

Dear Mr Stott

Thank you for your recent email regarding Sustainable Timber Tasmania's (STT) operations in the upper Derwent Valley.

Both tourism and forestry are key to the sustainable growth of the Tasmanian economy, bringing jobs and opportunity to our regions.

The Tasmanian Liberal Government is committed to supporting both in balance, with a number of iconic tourism ventures in Tasmania demonstrating that world class tourism and sustainable forestry can, and do, successfully co-exist.

These include the Tahune Airwalk, Hollybank and Derby mountain bike trails, which are located on or adjacent to forestry land, and have been for a number of years.

Recent forest operations in forestry land adjacent to the Maydena Bike Park are an operational matter for STT, who have been working collaboratively with key stakeholders and the community on this matter.

STT advise that these operations are to conduct roading works only and are expected to be completed by early March. No harvesting activity is occurring or will occur up to or during next month's Enduro World Series round at the Bike Park. Further, none of the current operations are in or around the bike trails which are largely located on land administered by the Parks & Wildlife Service as reserves, not working forests.

STT advise that they will continue their engagement with the local community and other key stakeholders during the coming weeks.

The Tasmanian Government is confident that world class mountain biking, tourism and sustainably managed working forests will continue to successfully co-exist in the Maydena area.

For further information, please contact STT's Stakeholder Engagement Team on (03) 6169 2868 or at stakeholder@sttas.com.au

Yours sincerely

Jeremy Rockliff MP

Premier