



Draft Forest Management Plan 2024–2033

Fact Sheet: Firewood



Better and more efficient use of all wood products taken from our native forests will support continued supply to the domestic firewood market.

The State Government is taking action to preserve our forests with the historic decision to end native logging in our south-west under the next Forest Management Plan (FMP), which commences in 2024.

Under the next FMP, **firewood will still be available**. We will make the most of all timber we remove from our forests, so a wide variety of wood will be on offer.

Public firewood collection areas will still be available.

Firewood is currently made available through different methods, including commercial firewood contracts managed by the Forest Products Commission, and areas of State forest made available by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) where the public can collect firewood.

The *Draft Forest Management Plan 2024-2033* proposes the development of a Public Firewood Management Strategy, as a priority.

DBCA will continue to provide public firewood areas, largely in the south-west, where members of the public are permitted to collect firewood from State forest for domestic use.

Firewood cannot be taken from national parks, nature reserves or conservation parks. It's important to note that firewood should not be taken from other public lands, or private property, without permission.



How much will firewood cost under the new plan?

Firewood will continue to be produced commercially from clearing ahead of approved mining and other operations, such as infrastructure development, and through ecological thinning. The cost of firewood is not determined or prescribed through the FMP.

The process for the sale and purchase of these products will be released following the finalisation and publication of the next FMP.

Further reading

There's more information about public firewood collection areas on our website at dbca.wa.gov.au/parks-and-wildlife-service/firewood.



The management of Western Australia's south-west forests will be outlined in the *Forest Management Plan 2024-2033*.

For more information visit our website at dbca.wa.gov.au/forest-management-plan



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