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Federal Court ruling a great result for Tasmania's forestry sector

The Federal Court's ruling to uphold Tasmania's existing Regional Forestry Agreement is a great decision for Tasmania's sustainable forest sector and the thousands of jobs it supports, particularly in regional and rural Tasmania.

We have always stated that we have full confidence in our comprehensive Regional Forest Agreement and will fight to protect Tasmanian businesses, jobs and communities.

With the decision of the Full court of the Federal Court clearly backing our sustainable forest practices, I hope that the Bob Brown Foundation will accept the umpire's decision and cease their destructive protest action that hurts Tasmanian workers and families.

It beggars belief that during the greatest health and economic crisis in a generation, the Bob Brown Foundation have tried to use legal wrangling to kill our sustainably managed forest industry and put thousands of hard working Tasmanians out of a job.

It's now time for the Bob Brown Foundation to cease its green warfare and its green lawfare and respect the umpire's decision.

Tasmanians should be proud of our responsible, sustainable Forest Management which employs thousands of Tasmanians, injects more than \$1.2 billion into our economy and supports communities and families.