

ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY 2010

The Mount Buller and Mount Stirling Alpine Resort Management Board (ARMB) will manage the Resort's natural and cultural values in an ecologically sustainable framework that protects, enhances and restores those values. The ARMB aims to be a leader in environmental management and will strive to embrace new environmental technologies.

The ARMB is responsible for the protection, enhancement and restoration of the natural and cultural heritage of the Resorts. As such it is committed to sustainable management practices which achieve compatibility between the operation and development of the Resorts and the natural and culturally significant values of the local environment. To fulfill this commitment the ARMB ensures that proper consideration is given to the care and protection of the flora and fauna, land, water, air, cultural and landscape values of the Resorts by:

Implementation

1. Striving for continual improvement of environmental management and for the prevention of pollution through the implementation of this environmental policy. Incorporating environmental provisions into business, planning and operating procedures and ensuring all costs associated with meeting environmental objectives and implementing actions are budgeted.

Review

2. Annually reviewing environmental objectives and actions by applying a systematic environmental risk assessment procedure and developing annual programs for the implementation of those objectives and actions listed in the Environmental Management Plan (EMP).

Compliance

3. Complying with all relevant environmental legislation and regulations and with other requirements to which the ARMB formally subscribes.

Awareness

4. Promoting environmental awareness and improved performance by ensuring all ARMB personnel and contractors are aware of this policy and the actions outlined in the EMP.

Partnerships and Consultation

5. Consulting and involving the community in environmental management of the Resorts by entering into partnerships and fostering strong relationships with all stakeholders, including other relevant agencies, land managers and the wider community.

Communication

6. Communicating environmental programs and educating the public and stakeholders by publishing and promoting this policy and annual objectives and actions.

Promotion

7. Promoting a greater understanding of the values of the Resorts through education, interpretation and support of research.