



# Forestry in South Africa

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# ***FSA's Mission Statement***

**"To serve the interests of all South African timber growers in a manner that will enhance the long-term sustainability and profitability of their activities and which will promote the growth and development of the Forestry Industry"**

# Who Are FSA's Members?

MEMBER DESCRIPTION	NUMBER	HECTARES
<b>(1): Corporate Companies</b>		
Private	7	612 600
Ex-SAFCOL	5	143 300
SAFCOL (KLF)	1	130 000
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>885 900</b>
<b>(2): Commercial Enterprises</b>		
Timber Farmers	1 300	297 102
Timber Co-ops	4	23 600
<b>SUB-TOTAL</b>	<b>1 304</b>	<b>320 702</b>
<b>(3): Emergent Growers</b>	<b>20 000</b>	<b>45 000</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>21 317</b>	<b>1 251 600*</b>

**\* TOTAL PLANTED AREA = 1 281 519: FSA MEMBERS 97.7%**

# WFGD and WSLG

- **Progress in strategy since April 08**
  - Inputs of Forestry Branch
- **Grateful for opportunities to engage**
  - November 2008

# ***Water Issues***

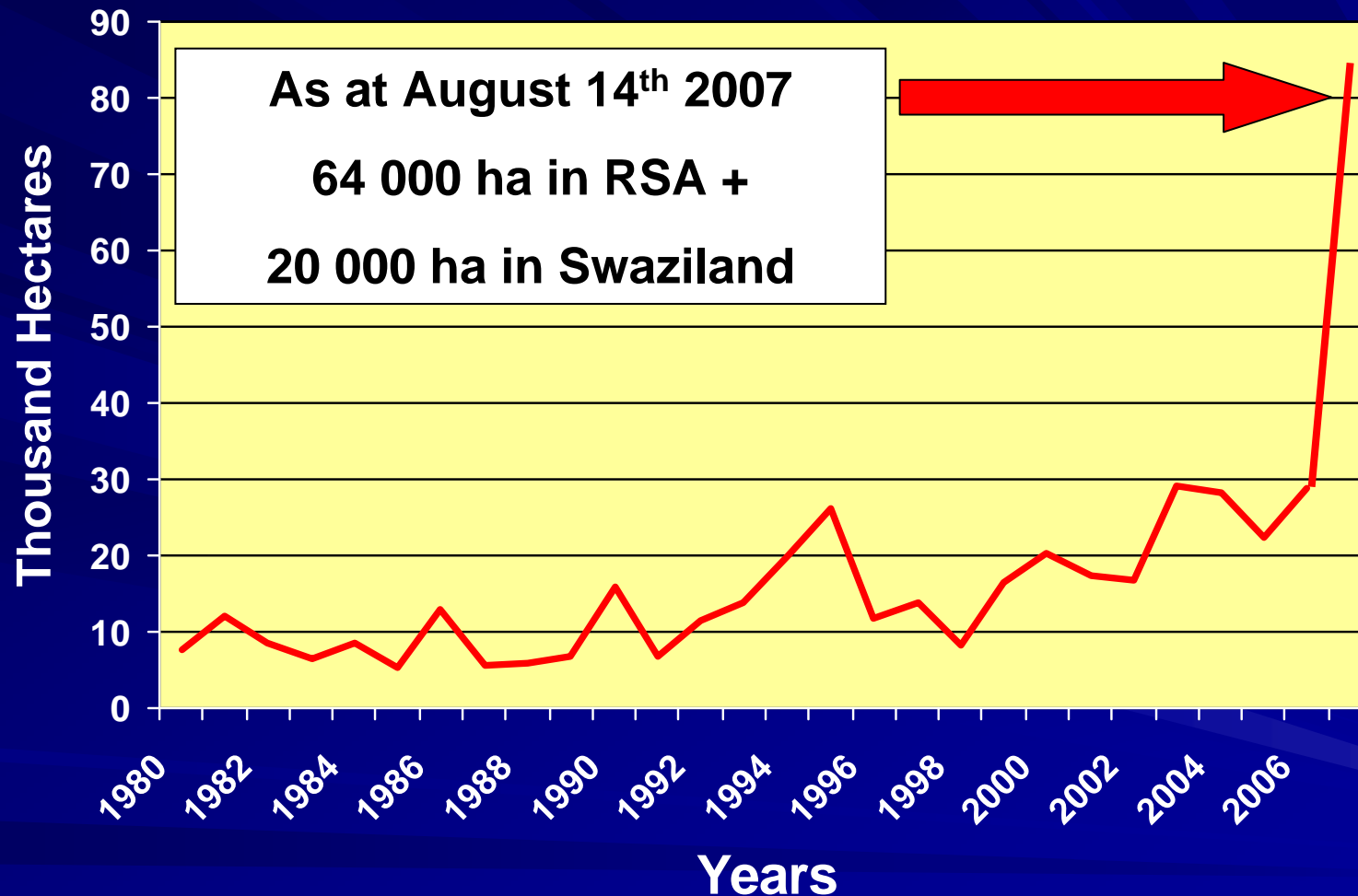
## **■ Water Issues**

- **Water tariff negotiations**
- **Catchment moratoriums**
- **Genus exchange policy**
- **Area exchange policy**
- **General authorisations**
- **Water Allocation Reform**
- **Water tribunal rulings**

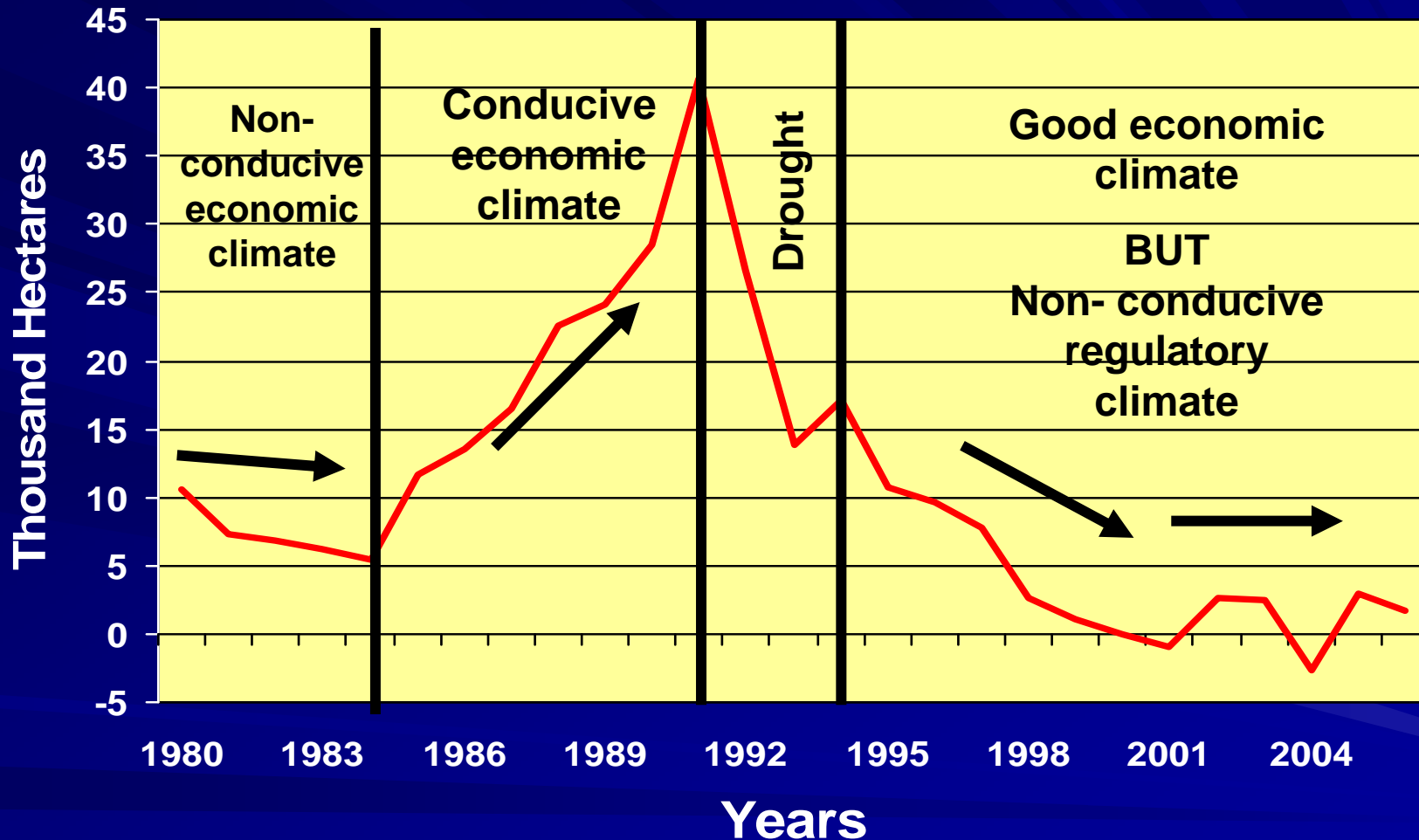
## **■ Afforestation Issues**

- **Streamlining of licensing process**
- **Involvement in LAAC's**
- **Afforestation mapping**

# ***Damage to Plantations by Fires 1980 to 2007***



# ***Net New Afforestation 1980 to 2006***



**The Industry is Stagnating**



# WFGD

- Dams
- Licence applications (document raises the hampering effect)
  - 800 ha (2004)
  - 5 500 ha (2007)
  - 30 000 ha (2008 EC alone)
- Sec 4.8
  - Lowest value (plan to revalue)
  - Entire value chain (in document)
  - Fourth highest Forex earner
  - Almost zero water management costs



# WFGD

- Implementation of water tariffs enacted in accordance with the law and other agreements
- Finalisation and implementation of the waste discharge charge system
- Forestry as the only streamflow reduction activity (been finalised but results highly questionable)
- Retention of existing skilled staff within the Department
- Consider water neutral industries

**THANK YOU**