

Sustainable Sourcing of Soybeans from Brazil 2019

At Bunge, we are leveraging over 200 years of experience in the food and agriculture system to meet a growing global demand for food, and doing so in a way that safely delivers harvests to markets while improving the sustainability of the entire production chain. Our approach is based on our ACE Platform – Act, Conserve and Engage.

We believe that for the agricultural sector to grow the safe, quality food needed now and in the future, the natural environment on which it depends must be protected and improved, and the social and economic well-being of growers, their employees and local communities must be supported.

Bunge Sustainability Policy

Bunge is committed to sustainable development and adheres to the following principles:

- We strive to be good citizens by contributing to the economic and social development of the communities where we work;
- We work to achieve a high level of environmental performance by adopting science-based, culturally sensitive and pragmatic best practices and by promoting these practices within our supply chain;
- We partner with companies and organizations to promote and apply sustainable practices; and
- We communicate openly about our activities and maintain a constructive dialogue with stakeholders.

We apply these principles across our operations, pursuing both global and regional goals.

How we are addressing the deforestation issue

Grains & Oilseeds Commitments & Practices

In our grains & oilseeds value chains, Bunge commits to:

- achieve deforestation-free supply worldwide, considering both direct and indirect sourcing,
- employ science-based definitions and cutoff dates for deforestation determined by credible multi-stakeholder processes,
- apply these criteria to our supply chains, in addition to minimum standards of legal compliance,
- respect human rights and indigenous community rights, and apply free, prior and informed consent for land purchases and use,
- enhance traceability to farm and transparency overall,
- ensure respect for legally protected areas,

- publicly disclose progress on our efforts,
- engage in open and productive dialogue with stakeholders.

Bunge's existing global labor policy prohibits forced and child labor and protects freedom of association.

Goal

We aim to reduce progressively any incidents of deforestation in our grain & oilseed supply chains, achieving our goal of deforestation-free supply between 2020-2025.

Traceability & Monitoring

Bunge maintain traceability and monitoring systems that enable the identification of crop origination to the lowest possible unit, and which allow for monitoring of land use change at the level prescribed by a consensus definition and threshold in both direct and third-party supply.

Supplier Management

Bunge implements a supplier management protocol to prioritize engagement and address noncompliance. Farms showing deforestation are "yellow" flagged for further monitoring. Bunge maintains regular communication about its deforestation-free commitment and activities with suppliers. We engage with flagged farmers, as well as third party suppliers, to determine potential paths forward for meeting our requirements. Starting in 2018, Bunge has suspended farms that have not engaged adequately. Starting in 2020, Bunge will suspend farms considering engagement, environmental and other factors in line with our goal of progressive reduction. Details on other supplier qualification requirements, including data on farms suspended due to noncompliance with environmental and labor laws, as well as the Soy Moratorium, can be found on bunge.com.

Transparency & Reporting

At least annually, we communicate quantitative and qualitative information about the application of our policies and progress achieved toward our commitments and goals. Information is publicly available on bunge.com. The company will support efforts to create standardized reporting methodologies for the sector.

Bunge will engage openly and productively with stakeholders, and advocate as a company for common solutions that improve the sustainability of agricultural value chains broadly.

Actions to date: In addition to active participation in the Cerrado Working Group, we do not source beans from deforested areas in Amazon after 2008 (Soy Moratorium). Bunge has engaged with the Soft Commodities Forum, the Accountability Framework initiative, the Cerrado Manifesto Statement of Support coalition, and other groups. Bunge was a lead sponsor, along with the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, of Agroideal.org, a decision support tool for sustainable agriculture developed by The Nature Conservancy and supported by a multi-stakeholder coalition. The company has also partnered to provide incentives for farmers willing to expand their operations over existing cleared areas and avoid further clearance of native vegetation.