

Water Stewardship Policy

Purpose

Water is a critical resource throughout B&G Foods' business, from agricultural fields to manufacturing facilities to the products our consumers enjoy. Because we recognize the importance to B&G Foods and to the environment of responsible water stewardship, we continually look for opportunities to reduce total water usage, the risks relating to water scarcity and the impact of our operations and key supply chains on water quality. In addition to water conservation, we strive to ensure that our manufacturing facilities achieve and maintain the highest standards for the waste water we discharge to the natural environment and municipal treatment facilities. We carefully consider our responsibilities to our employees, customers, consumers, investors, the communities in which we operate, other stakeholders and the global community in addressing water stewardship.

Our Commitment

To achieve our water stewardship objectives, we are committed to:

- periodically assessing the regulatory, reputational, environmental and financial risk associated with our water usage and providing meaningful disclosure about the risk and our strategy to mitigate the risk;
- acting as an advocate for water stewardship and engaging stakeholders and other organizations in furtherance of our goals;
- considering water impacts in business planning and decision-making;
- striving to use water efficiently, minimize water loss, prevent pollution, and promote water recycling and responsible waste water disposal;
- setting meaningful goals relating to water stewardship in line with best practices and consistent with our operational needs;
- engaging our agricultural and manufacturing suppliers as partners in responsible water stewardship, setting clear expectations and seeking demonstrable improvements; and
- complying with all applicable legal and regulatory requirements with respect to water quality and consumption in our communities.

Our Commitment in Action

Water stewardship is a company-wide priority, but the need for and impact of responsible water usage is felt most acutely at our Green Giant manufacturing facility in Irapuato, Mexico, which is located in an area of water scarcity and whose operations traditionally require heavy water usage. Our other facilities are less water intensive. At our Irapuato facility, we have undertaken various efforts to reduce water used in sanitation and within the manufacturing process. Several years ago, the facility installed a reverse osmosis system to reclaim discharged water from its wastewater treatment plant, which reclaims millions of gallons of water each year.

Green Giant Mexico also encourages its contract growers to reduce their water use through conversion from flood, or gravity, irrigation to drip irrigation. Flood irrigation is the movement of water through earthen canals or furrows, with water delivery occurring in between rows of crops. Drip irrigation is precise application of water through tubes or irrigation tape, with water applied through small holes directly at the root of the crops.

Governance, Accountability and Transparency

Governance and Accountability. B&G Foods' management-level Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Committee shall be responsible for overseeing our company's water stewardship efforts and ensuring compliance with this Policy. Our Chief Compliance Officer, as Chair of the Corporate Social Responsibility and Sustainability Committee, shall not less than annually report on our company's water stewardship efforts to the Risk Committee of our Board of Directors.

Transparency. B&G Foods is committed to reporting to our investors, customers, consumers, supply chain partners and the general public as to our water stewardship efforts, including our water use, risks relating to water quality and scarcity, water stewardship goals and progress against our goals.

Effective Date

This Policy is effective as of June 13, 2018.