



Research Under the Forest Grower Levy

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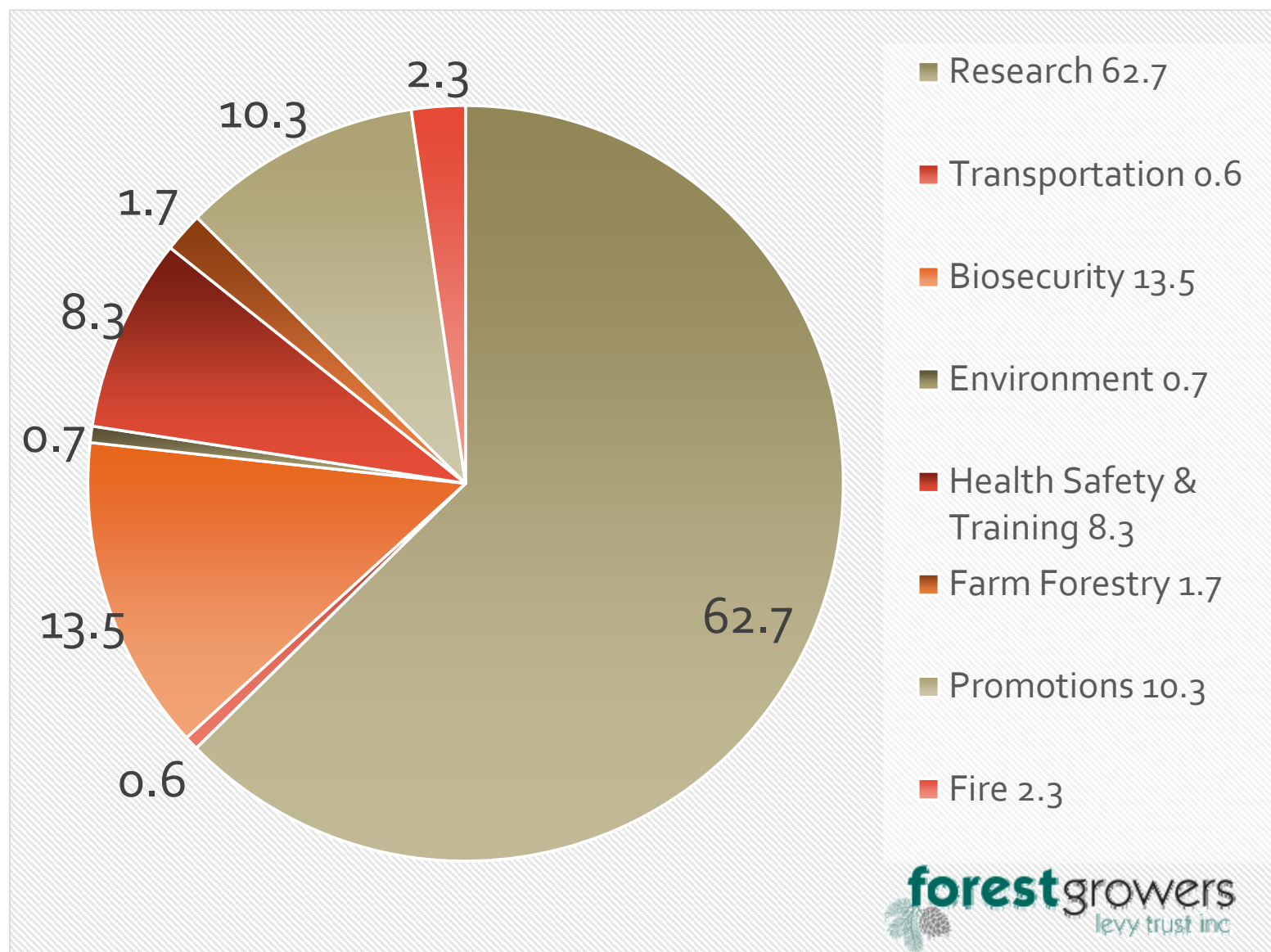
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The Levy

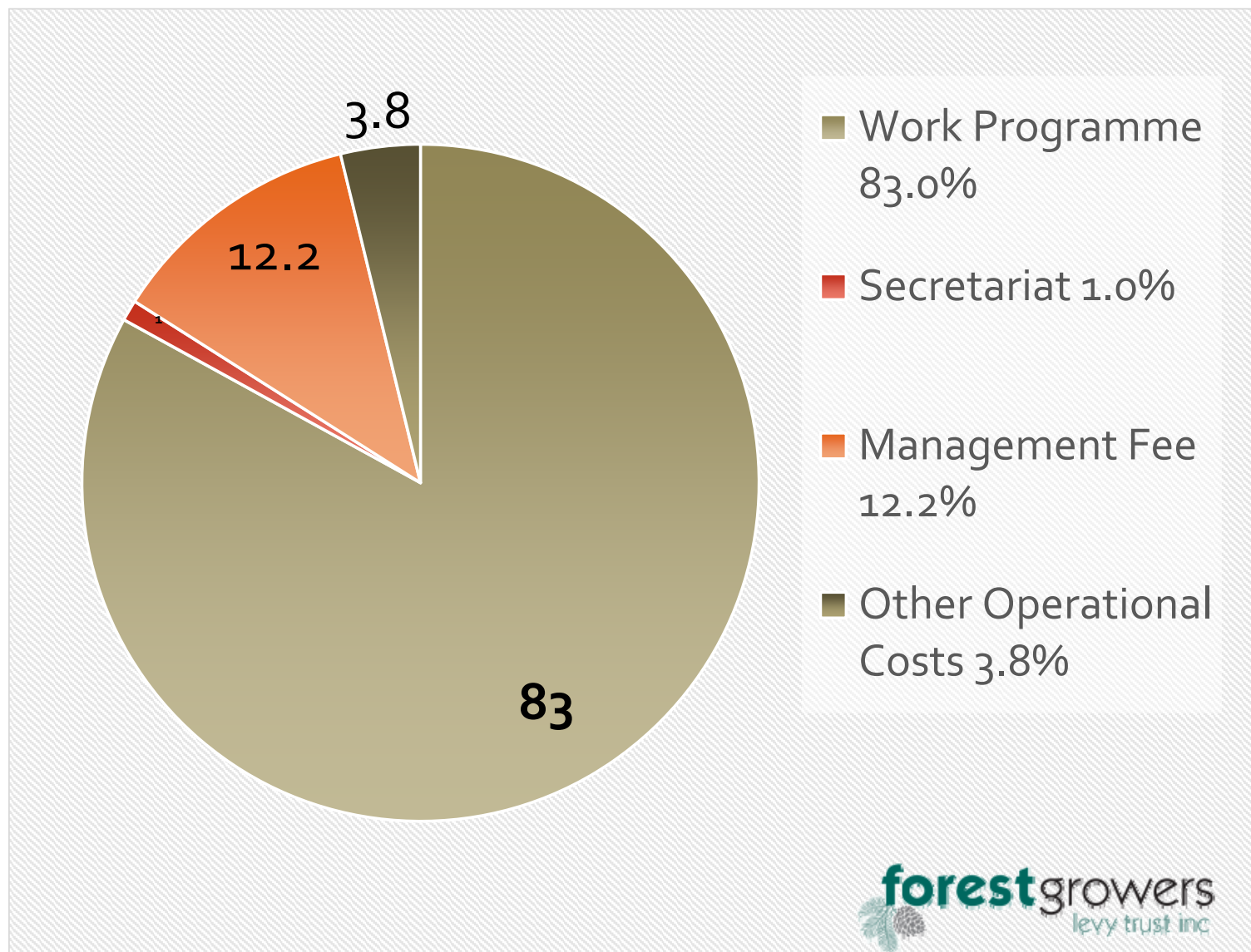
- Budget is a continual balancing act. 2017 at over \$10m against projected levy income of \$8.1m
- Further projects recently approved
- Half way to next referendum
- FFA and SME representation has had specific attention

Expenditure by work programme

(2016 Actual)



Total Expenditure breakdown (2016 Actual)



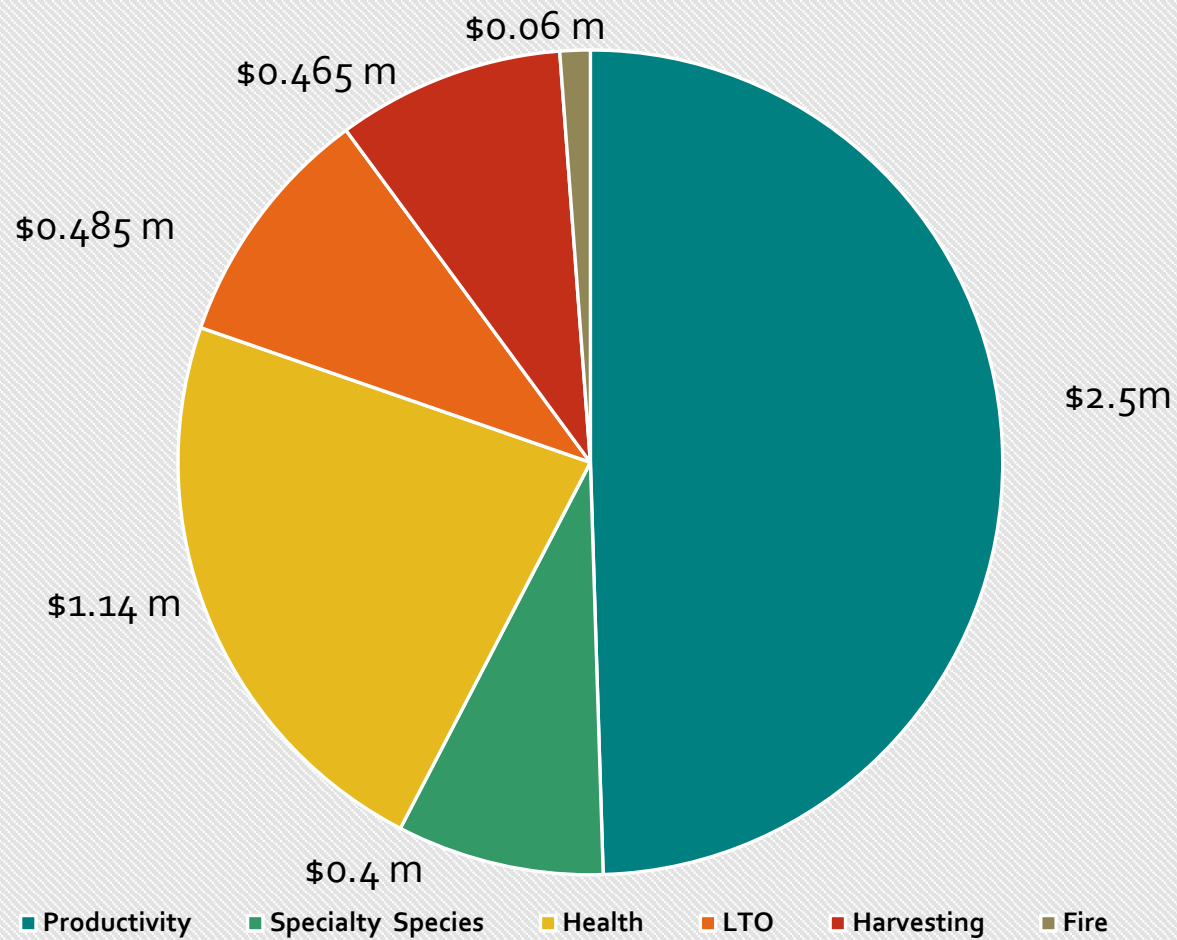
Strategic Objective

Improve the profitability of growing forests on a sustainable basis:

- **Protect forest assets and markets from adverse factors**
- **Improve productivity and fibre uniformity**
- **Sustain and enhance forestry's license to operate**
- **Improve efficiency and safety in operations**
- **Species for diversity of sites and markets**

Research

2017 Budget



2016 \$4.6 m

2017 \$5.10 m

GCFF Observations

- Single biggest levy investment - \$1.6m per year
- Gold rating by MBIE very significant achievement
- High level of industry engagement
- Increased FGLT funding - \$ 0.90m in 2017
- Findings are being implemented – but need to increase
- Challenge is small grower uptake
- What follows GCFF ?