

# GROUP WATER POLICY

## OUR VISION

At Anglo American we recognize that through our world class assets, operational excellence and resolute commitment to safe and sustainable mining, we can become the leading global mining company. Water is fundamental requirement for our operations and future development. We must therefore recognize our role and responsibility in water by making informed sustainable and value protecting decisions as a business and stakeholder.

As such our preferred future is to be a Responsible Water Steward, by maximising the value from water resources while seeking to achieve no long-term net harm where we operate.

## OUR PRINCIPLES

Underpinning our preferred future there are five fundamental principles:

- **Our people** – building capacity, compliance to simple non-negotiable standards and driving water resilience within our operations;
- **Our process** – Imbedding water efficiency while striving for sustainable water security throughout our business;
- **Our stakeholders** – recognizing water as an environmental and human right whilst identifying, developing and implementing collaborative solutions with our stakeholders;
- **Our supply chain** – understanding and responding to the water risks and opportunities within our supply chain;
- **Informing public policy** – contributing our skills and knowledge to the development of socially and environmentally responsible public policy.

## OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Through the implementation of these policies we will achieve our strategic ambition:

### **Securing water without compromising water resources and other users**

- Facilitate and encourage water reuse/recycling and fit-for-purpose use;
- Drive compliance with Group standards and regulations as a minimum;
- Develop sustainable water security projects and practices where we operate.

### **Proactively engaging to build capacity for effective water partnerships**

- Play a catalyst role for local water management;
- Share knowledge, build capacity and establish common outcomes;
- Embed an internal culture of water conservation.

### **Minimising risk to protect and enhance value, while not externalising our impacts**

- Identification and proactive management of water risk and opportunity;
- Integration of water into long term business and sustainable mine closure planning;
- Understanding and internalising the water implications of climate change.

### **Buffering operations against external water demand, costs and potential climate change**

- Integration of water value into business decisions;
- Monitoring and performance measurement for water in and around our business;
- Developing and investing in technology and innovation to further water performance;
- Optimising business water use efficiency and striving to prevent water resource degradation.