

## **Domini Forest Project**

## **Investment Beliefs and Principles**

As of December 31, 2022

These two documents acknowledge Domini's beliefs in the overall role of systemic risks and rewards in investment and our commitment to manage the role of forest-related challenges in this context.

Preparation of these beliefs statements were among the first steps we took as we confronted the challenges of a system-level approach and then later as we implemented our decision to focus on forests and related lands in that context. We view these as documents that provide a foundation upon which our specific practices can be built. In addition, they serve as a framework within which our initiatives can be evaluated for their consistency and effectiveness.

# Our Investment Beliefs and Principles Formalized in 2017

#### **Our Beliefs**

- Investments have system-level impact on finance, society and the environment. Investors have an ethical obligation to acknowledge these consequences.
- Investors that strengthen the resilience and integrity of those critical systems create lasting value. Investors that fail to do so cause harm.
- Long-term investment performance depends upon the above principles.

### **Our Objectives**

- To serve our clients' financial well-being while preserving and enhancing the environment and society through responsible asset management.
- To measure and report our financial, societal and environmental impacts.

#### **Our Strategies**

- Setting Standards: As *investors*, we participate in capital markets using financial, social, and environmental standards in all of our investment decisions.
- Engagement: As *owners*, we engage with issuers, civil society organizations, and policymakers to create financial, environmental, and societal value.
- Community Investing: As *neighbors*, we seek to help build strong, sustainable communities by directing capital to where it is needed most.

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# Our Forest-related Investment Beliefs and Principles Formalized in 2019, Updated in 2022.

#### Our Forest-related Investment Beliefs

- Societies and economies, and therefore businesses and investments, are built on stable and healthy environmental systems with respect to climate and biodiversity.
- Forests and related lands provide substantial value to investors and corporations with regard to stable and healthy environmental systems
- Investors' policies and practices can impact forests and related lands either positively or negatively.
- Corporations and investors can act effectively to preserve, measure, and enhance the value they derive from these lands.

### **Our Forest-related Effectiveness Principles**

- Base our investments, engagements, and other investment-related decisions on a holistic understanding of corporations' and investors' dependence and impact on the long-term value and services of forests and related lands.
- Work to create a positive systems dynamic that enhances the value of forests and related lands.
- Identify, monitor, and report on our direct and indirect impacts on forests and related lands, with an emphasis on climate, biodiversity, and Indigenous peoples.
- Share our principles and processes with investors, investees, and the financial community to promote holistic, long-term policies and practices regarding forests and related lands,

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