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Topic 1. Sustainability of current and future forestry operations in NSW

It is clear that logging of native forests is environmentally destructive, threatening the viability of native species such as the greater glider, koalas and numerous bird species. It is not economically viable without substantial taxpayer subsidy, meaning that taxpayers are funding the destruction of the natural environment for no economic gain. NSW Forestry have been repeatedly prosecuted by the EPA for illegal logging operations, for which they receive only token sanctions. Indeed they have been described in articles on ABC News as rogue operators.