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

The whole industry is grossly unsustainable in requiring government funding, law exemptions and completely under resourced 'regulation and enforcement' to continue to remove native forests from this state and either reinstate monoculture seedling plantation or nothing at all. The bushland and costs of NSW are the single greatest source of carbon sink that is required to be maintained in order to even get close to managing the environmental crisis created by human overreach in nature.

Topic 2. Environmental and cultural values of forests, including threatened species and Aboriginal cultural heritage values

The biodiversity crisis is significantly catalyzed by the state of NSW continuing to support native forest logging. Studies, surveys, research, planning and enforcement is significantly under resourced and left to NFP environmental organizations to pick up and report on. Losses across the spectrum of biodiversity and cultural heritage are majorly underreported in self funded surveys by Forestry and back by industry and government financial interests in logging, creating a fraudulent and self regulating disaster for the environment.

Topic 3. Demand for timber products, particularly as relates to NSW housing, construction, mining, transport and retail

Plantation hardwood in the myriad clear felled and logged properties and locations across the spectrum of climate in NSW would ease the demand on current native forest sources. Lack of recycling and cheap, hybrid or treated non recyclable products make the business case for reuse and recycling of the masses of time products currently being demolitions and land filled across the state. A significant proportion of the hard wood logged in NSW is used to create cheap chip and pull products, inflating the lack of demand for hard wood.

Topic 4. The future of softwood and hardwood plantations and the continuation of Private Native Forestry in helping meet timber supply needs

Soft wood plantations are managed across the state and can continue so without the need for expansion into native forests.

Hardwood plantations will be required into the future but not at the expense of threatened species and biodiversity loss we are currently seeing.

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Topic 5. The role of State Forests in maximising the delivery of a range of environmental, economic and social outcomes and options for diverse management, including Aboriginal forest management models

An untapped and significant role in managing land across NSW remain in engaging and not fighting environmental organizations with skills, passion and expertise to sort and catalyze the

success and expansion of native forests in NSW. State forests should remain accessible for respectful and planned recreation where most of the flora and fauna can remain healthy and intact whilst the economic and social benefits of native forest recreation flow on to the local towns and communities of rural areas already under mass exodus and financial hardships.

Topic 6. Opportunities to realise carbon and biodiversity benefits and support carbon and biodiversity markets, and mitigate and adapt to climate change risks, including the greenhouse gas emission impacts of different uses of forests and assessment of climate change risks to forests

Support the biodiversity 'market' by keeping the forests intact so old growth can end have a chance of returning to so mammy areas of this state.

Climate risk and emissions can not be reverse alone by native forests and 'banking' them as an offset but they are an area of the greatest potential to mitigate future greenhouse gas levels and sustain life for all creatures on earth. Trees are the lifeblood as much as clean water for all the living of the present and future so should be upheld in the highest regard for their protection.