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

I believe that current forestry operations are financially unsustainable - operating at a loss at the expense of the people it's taking resources from.

Forestry operations are working against sustaining the life of animals destroying habitat and driving species to extinction and putting the carbon cycle out of balance, decreasing the areas of the planet that are inhabitable by humans.

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

I think invoking the housing crisis sounds like an excuse keep logging. I've never heard of stateforest sourced wood being cited as a potential solution to easing peoples housing woes among the plethora of obvious and sensible solutions.

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

I believe plantations are on track to meet timber supply needs and that government intervention should be directed towards reduced wastage in the form of material re-use and quality standards in goods (to reduce the amount of throw-away quality goods)

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

State forests need to move as quickly as possible to get out of the way of indigenous expertise.

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

Forests capture and store carbon, keeping the planet cool and livable. Logging stops this process, removes habitat, drives up temperatures, increases fires which burn more forests and accelerates the process exponentially.