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

We must do much more recycling of wooden and paper products. This will really reduce the excessive use of wood products and must be supported by a huge public information campaign as well as improved recycling facilities. Also much more needs to be done to help get used wood to recycling facilities.

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

There is an overwhelming need to protect native forests which will protect endangered species living in them. It's unbearable to think koalas will become endangered unless more is done to protect their habitat.

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

Recycled timber should be given a cost subsidy with native timber facing a cost penalty.

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

Clear felling anywhere must be avoided.

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

I don't know enough about current management of State Forests.

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

I repeat the issues mentioned in points 1 and 3 above.