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

I have been bushwalking across the great divide for 50 years.

It is clear from habitat loss and the dramatically increasing number of threatened species that current and future logging operations in native forests are NOT sustainable. I want to see koalas, greater gliders and other threatened species survive for future generations.

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

See answer to Q1

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

I am a keen home renovator but do NOT under any circumstances use timber from native forests. These are precious places of which we have stewardship. The task of government is to create jobs in re-forestation and sustainable building products.

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

First Nations heritage, connections to forest areas and management models need more respect and consideration.

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

Mitigating climate risks needs a much higher priority. That means, among other things, keeping all native forests to ensure wildlife survives harsher and changed climate conditions.