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

To the reader,

I live on a small 'sustainable' beef farm in rural Victoria, and am in Landcare, Farmers for Climate Action, the local CFA, and I love the where I live - the countryside. Nature is in my heart. I feel well when the my garden and paddocks are healthy, and both domestic and native animals and plants are thriving. I fear the big wind storms and increasing lightning, and extremes of temperatures that I am convinced, are due to human over-population and dependence on fossil fuels.

I realise that logging and land clearing for production of food and housing, has produced a vibrant country and great wealth for some. However the data on logging, and the data on climate change is undeniable and EVERYONE HAS TO ACT IMMEDIATELY to stop the dying of our planet. I want NSW to realise it MUST STOP LOGGING its state forests, immediately. It is the right thing to do. Our politicians across the whole country must be courageous. I wish you to be courageous and do everything in your power, and more, to end logging THIS YEAR in NSW. And not to fiddle with semantics as I see Victoria is doing, as they replace logging with planned burning and forest thinning - which is logging by deception.

I want NSW and all states in Australia to look for true paths to enhance biodiversity, true paths to increase soil moisture, true paths to lowering our carbon footprint, and some of this must come from desisting logging and land clearing.

Thank you for reading this plea.