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

Currently NSW Foresty Corporations industrial logging is not sustainable and runs at a loss to tax payers. Please end Native forest logging in NSW now. State forests that have been converted to monoculture tree crops need restoration, regeneration and re- wilding, especially all water courses, steep slopes and connective wildlife corridors.

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

These are the values I want to see our State forests managed for.

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

More investment into a transition to hemp alternatives and Afro forestry and new plantations on already cleared private lands.

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

The conversion of our public native forests to so called plantation has caused ecological harm. These harms need to cease and be rectified.

Hemp and hempcrete and alternative building materials need to be used. More tiny homes nestled in the environment and no more clear fell of native vegetation for subdivisions of wall to wall large houses. Retrofit our existing footprint first.

No clearing of native vegetation for new softwood plantations.

Private land agro-forestry or plantations on already cleared land.

# 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

Currently NSW Forestry Corporation has no social licence and a legacy of environmental breaches and damage and fines in our native forests. No roll for them now in our native forests. Greater collaboration and partnerships with with traditional custodians and homeland elders, citizen scientists, community landcare, supported by government and peer reviewed science, to restore native forests.

Forestry Corporation can manage softwood plantations and transition their workers to forest restoration and management for ecological purposes and into a hemp or other industries.

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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

The science is clear and I support it being adopted to guide management.

We should not need to have markets for carbon to put a value on protecting our public native forests for their ability to draw down and store carbon.

Australia and the World need to urgently address climate change mitigation measures. Currently the NSW Government is failing by not creating our Great Koala National Park, as promised, prior to their election. The proposed area is being intensively industrially logged for mostly low value timber products and forest waste. Then a cocktail of chemicals in our water catchments. The delaying tactics involve talkfests on how to make a profit out of carbon offsets schemes that allow more carbon polluters to keep polluting.

Please stop logging our native forests now.

Carbon schemes for when turning cleared land into a new forest that will not be logged in the future.