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

Our environment needs to have a sustainable future and that includes not only plantation trees but the very important native forests. Once logged, we are losing habitat for animals including koalas and many other native animals. New trees take a long time to grow!

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

My objection to logging is primarily the impact on our threatened species and the beauty of our old trees, plus the environmental impact that is caused by old trees being felled.

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

Plantation timber is there for a reason and that is to support housing, etc. This is sustainable practice and by planting more trees, we benefit in multiple ways.

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

as in point 3 above! We can meet industry needs through softwood and hardwood plantations.

## 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

Diverse forest management, particularly Aboriginal models, can enhance the cultural and social value of 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

Forests play an important part in helping us deal with climate change, quite apart from sheltering animals and humans who also use forests in which to walk and enjoy the beauty of the old trees. I strongly object to logging old growth forest but do support a timer industry that uses sustainable practice by planting plantation trees.