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## INDEPENDENT FORESTRY PANEL NSW SUBMISSION

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission to the panel.

My family is horrified at the number of native animals that are being put on the endangered list, such as koalas. But there are many more. Our native animals are facing dire threats from all directions. Many varieties of native creatures live in these forests - they have anywhere else to go.

There are too many people, too many farmers clearing land, too many houses being built, too much development – all without a care for the preservation of our native wildlife.

Logging of native forests must end if we want our children and our children's children to enjoy the wildlife that we have enjoyed over many years.

Our forests also have cultural heritage values that form part of Aboriginal stories; and this must be respected.

If logging in native forests continues, because increasing numbers of Australians are demanding timber products for housing and construction, mining and transport – our native animals will die out.

Our precious wildlife must be protected from the avalanche of development; our native animals will continue to suffer and die because of this unbridled native forest logging.

The native forests themselves – the habitats - are already under threat from increasing numbers of bushfires due to our changing climate. We cannot allow our native animals to become extinct.

I urge the panel to make the preservation and protection of our native species a priority.

Yours sincerely Jan Kendall

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