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

I am writing to express my strong support for an end to native forest logging and to advocate for a future built on sustainable plantations. The current practices of logging native forests are not only unsustainable but also detrimental to our environment and wildlife.

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

The alarming rate of native forest logging is pushing species like the Greater Glider and Koala towards extinction. Such practices can hardly be described as sustainable when they threaten the very existence of our unique fauna. It is crucial that we prioritize the protection of these species and their habitats.

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

I'm concerned about native forest logging at a time when we cannot afford to lose these carbon sinks, and ecosystems for flora and fauna just hanging on.

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

Any timber needs should to be sourced from existing plantations.

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**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**

In order to ensure the survival of habitats, both private and public lands need to be managed with consideration for future generations, and the survival of our native flora and fauna.

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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**

Healthy forests play a vital role in our ecosystem. They help sequester carbon, purify our water, provide crucial habitat for wildlife, and enhance fire management strategies. Additionally, forests offer recreational opportunities and foster a spiritual connection to nature. Logging native forests compromises all these essential values, leading to a decline in biodiversity and the health of our planet.

It is time to shift our focus toward sustainable plantation practices that can provide the necessary resources without sacrificing our natural heritage. By investing in these alternatives, we can ensure a balanced approach that supports both economic needs and environmental integrity.