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

I am shocked to know that within the fringes of protected national parks, private landowners can cut down some of the largest red cedars i have ever seen, only to leave them for fire wood due to hollows etc...this also needs to be addressed...

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

cultural sites and rare threatened species should be on the top of our list of things to protect here in australia and it is astounding that there are still lopp holes and lack of reverence for these incredibly important parts of australian heritage.

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

when are we going to begin large scale hemp and bamboo farming as well as reforesting disused agricultural land with plantation timbers? the beef and dairy industry has a lot to answer for in this regard, there is so much land just sitting there, being further degraded by cattle when i could be reforested for plantation or housing, instead we are encroaching on native unique and wild rare habitats as though they are less valuable and important than what he call prime agricultural land.

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

find degraded paddocks and use them for 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

the possibilities for indigenous employment and social outcomes for non indigenous and indigenous is massive, time spent in nature is proven to reduce stress and increase wellbeing and health.

# 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

preserving old and intact ecosystems should be of highest priority in these changing times, we are a critical point now, and there are so many solutions! we just need to organise ourselves toward them.