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

Native timber logging by forestry has involved the court system ++ due to infringements by loggers and numerous stop work orders being needed. It would be better to completely avoid native forest logging and rely only on plantation timber. Our forests are recovering and do not benefit from this aspect of state forest management.

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

Very frustrated that Kiwarrak and Bulga forest were not protected and are being logged right now! Bulga is an old growth forest and kiwarrak has a mountain bike park and large koala population

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

Native forest logging is not making a significant contribution to timber for housing. It should be stopped altogether

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

Plantations make good sense and landowners should have incentives to invest in tree crops

## 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

We know we live in a country with a lot of fire. First Nations incorporated fire into their care of country. We need to relearn and look at science for helping forests be safer

# 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

This is important but not if it becomes green washing. The risks for forests and fire needs to be a big focus, as they are a potential carbon sink but can release carbon through fire