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

Current operations are not sustainable and are declining in yield whilst the estimates for future timber harvest are overestimated

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

Threatened species contained within native forests will continue to be ever more vulnerable if native logging continues Maintaining our native forests has global, national and First Nations value worth preserving

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

Demand is dropping and too many trees are turned into wood chips There are substitutes presently available to replace our current use of hardwoods

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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**

Plantations already provide 91% of Australia's log production

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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**

The Forestry Corporation operates at a loss which runs into tens of millions of dollars whereas First Nations Ranger programs have been hugely successful

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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**

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Ending native logging will make a significant contribution to meeting our emissions targets