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

Sustainable is exactly what native forest logging is not.

The industry requires large public subsidies yet it destroys a resource that does us all a financial and environmental favour by storing carbon.

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

Koalas, swift parrots, greater gliders, plus untold numbers of other birds, reptiles and mammals face devastation from logging in a nation which is already the world's capital for mammal extinctions. Enough!

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

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

Plantations supply most if the industry now. A little more effort will get it to 100 per cent.

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

State Forests is a heavily subsidised dinosaur that bleeds taxpayers of funds while destroying publicly owned assets ie forests, and most of what lives/d within them.

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

Forests lock carbon. Chopping forests down releases carbon. Simple. Stop chopping them down.