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

Logging native hardwood trees hasn't worked to retain anywhere near enough trees to grow out to old age, providing essential habitat. And these old age trees need sufficient adjacent trees to provide them shelter and to provide cover for the animals that inhabit them.

Also logging operations invariably introduce a cornucopia of exotic weeds that are left free to spread far and wide, becoming the costly problem of other landowners, and their seed bank to remain in the soil for years, decades even.

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

Hardwood logging nsw mostly occurs within upper water catchments, thus affecting water quality and weed spread all the way down to the coast.

Plus these areas are usually steep and fragile exacerbating the problem

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

Hardwood poles are better replaced with non combustible alternatives. And if price is the driving factor use H4, H5 pine.

As for housing construction hardwood is rarely if ever used for scantling, occasionally used for structural larger structural members (easily replaced by pine, which builders prefer due to price and weight) and for decking. Decking timbers are invariably small in dimension so easily sourced from smaller logs thus younger trees - move this supply away from state forests to better support private forestry on flatter already-cleared more marginal lands

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

Expand the plantation industry but away from upper water catchments and slopes - and only on already-cleared land

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

Forestry corporation nsw doesn't make meaningful profit and has been show time and time again to breach it's obligations. It cares nil about the weeds it introduces.

It has a culture of recklessness and is not fit for purpose. Other than those that make money from its behaviour the community at large has no respect for it.

It must go.