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

I am appalled by footage of the logging of our native forests leaving our iconic native animals without a home that is, if they are not killed in the process.

We need to have a forestry industry of plantations of tree species which are needed for housing and other sectors.

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

Our native forests have a great environmental and Aboriginal culture value. These areas must be retained and the current logging must be stopped.

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

Hardwood and softwood plantations need to be carefully managed in order to meet the demands of the industries listed above.

We need to leave our native forests alone as they have been crucial for our wildlife for thousands of years.

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

I support managed softwood and hardwood plantations for our future needs.

## 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

Our Indigenous peoples have a unique bond with our natural world. Through their traditions, they have maintained a diverse landscape which we seem to be destroying at an alarming rate. We need to protect our native forests and not destroy 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

The survival of our native forests is the key to combating climate change. We are destroying old growth forests which help us by absorbing carbon dioxide.

By logging our native forests, it is severely hampering our fight against climate change.

This logging has to stop now and we need to rely solely on plantation timbers for our needs.