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

We believe it is time to stop logging public native forests. The damage is causing extinctions of native animal species and degrading tree species.

It is unsustainable, and a cost to taxpayers.

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

We need to protect native forests for wildlife, recreation, water yields and to take up carbon emissions.

We can meet our timber needs from existing plantations or by planting particular timber species on vacant land.

Aboriginal Heritage sites are being damaged or destroyed, this is unacceptable.

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

There is a future for plantations independent of native forests and certainly the timber is needed but not at the expense of Native vegetation.

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

Sate Forests role should be to maximize planting of suitable varieties on private already cleared land or on State land but not to the detriment of other species.

Aboriginal forest management should be encouraged on suitable land and fully supported according to the local peoples wishes.