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

Hardwood segment of forestry is subsidised by tax payers' money and sustainable.

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

Native forests are home of endangered specises such as koalas and greater gliders. These animals live only in Australia on earth, and we have moral obligation to protect their survival.

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

NSW can get timber from plantations and import hardwood from other countries of less biodiversity.

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

Hardwood plantations are loss making and burden to NSW tax payers.

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 are source of touristic income and also sacred to aboriginal people. We need to protect 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 allow NSW to realise carbon and biodiversity benefits mitigating climate change risks. NSW lag behind other states in this regard.