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

Native forest logging is unsustainable. This is a very limited resource. The forests are worth a lot more as healthy forests with old growth trees. Australia is in the middle of an extinction crisis- all native forests left must be protected from all logging

Logging increases fire threat, erosion, water way pollution & penetration of weeds when forests are already stressed by climate change.

The yield from public forests has decreased by 40% since 2010--> they've already been logged, there aren't enough trees left. Time to leave the native forests to regenerate

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

Tourism and health benefits are worth far more to NSW/Australia than logging

Australian bush is critical to the "Australian" identity AND to the brand "Australia" on a global level. Tourists come to see healthy thriving forests

Mental health has declined in Australia, native forests are an invaluable resource for nature connection

Colonialism has impacted First Nations people horrifically. First Nations people need access to Country

We need to STOP the extinction crisis affecting Australia. All creatures living in forests deserve to have their homes protected. They can't just go somewhere else. The forest is their home. Too much land has already been cleared. The remaining forest must be protected

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

Native forest logging is only a small part of the total log production

Half the logs taken from native forests in 2023 were turned into woodchip- this is obscene.

Market demand is falling

there are other products that can be used

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

a higher proportion of harvested logs from plantations should be kept as saw & veneer logs rather than exporting as woodchip

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

Healthy state forests are crucial for First Nations & Non First Nations people State forests are HOMES for numerous plant, animal & fungal species

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the native forest hardwood of the Forestry Corp operates at a loss - it costs the people of NSW money for them to trash our native forests - that is insane

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

Its a no-brainer to end native forest logging