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

- Continued forestry operations are not sustainable financially - NSW taxpayers are propping up Forestry Corp NSW, as they are running at a huge loss of millions every year.
- Neither are they sustainable environmentally - logging of native forest and forests managed as plantation where endangered species reside, is leading to extinction of species such as koala and greater glider. Many areas managed as plantation are not true plantation.

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

- The government knows that our forests contain endangered species, some more so than others. Not enough is done to protect those species. It is well documented that koalas need connectivity between areas, as they home range over a large area. Koalas are also territorial, so saying that "there is enough forest nearby" is not good enough. Koalas, and many other species are either killed, or made homeless by industrial logging practices.
- I fully support proper consultation with local indigenous elders and mob, and the adoption of protocols as determined by them to care for the ongoing care of the forests

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

- Perhaps planting true plantations eg planting on already cleared ground. NOT thinning native forest until it becomes "plantation". Or clear felling native forest to plant "plantation".

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

There are many areas that are currently manages as "plantation" that are actually native forest that has had repeated thinning and some seed scattered. These areas are better left standing to, in time, return to healthy habitat forest.

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

- I fully support an end to native forest logging
- I fully support and end to logging state forest areas managed as "plantation" that have significant populations of endangered fauna and flora
- I fully support an end to logging state forest areas managed as "plantation" that are needed for connectivity

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

We need healthy forests for our health - physical, emotional, mental and spiritual. For our survival as a species. For oxygen, carbon storage, clean waterways, habitat for species, shade, fire management etc