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

Native forest logging isn't sustainable. If native animals must lose their homes that take over 80 years to grow, the earth is left dry and devoid of trees due to way modern loggers log, reducing any chances of survival of that forest due to the now heat it's exposed to, and the water ways the water flows to now polluted from the tree loss, exposed soils, and without the trees to hold that moisture in from the rains our rivers don't flow as deep or as clean .. it's absolutely not sustainable.

Not to mention any argument that we log because we need timber for products.. most housing is made of gyprock, cement, plastics, glass and metal.. the only timber is pine used in homes! Not native timber!! Mulch is not a good reason to log native forests! It used to be a side product to tree lopping in suburbia!! Now it's an entire industry!

And why are we choosing to subsidise such any industry that does more damage than good in our world? The fact that majority of forestry members are ex loggers, ex coal and ex gas company employees and share holders only makes me more sure we aren't running anything but a racket to fasten our need to buy oxygen, (highly likely recycled water) and only be able to show our kids pictures of 'the animals our small amount of forests once homed'.

The fact the tax payers are paying the fines for forestry's 'i think over 300 failures/mistakes/blatant disregard to laws to protect native animals n water ways' clearly shows mis management of Australian tax payers funds!

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

Way to many to comment here, you already know our koalas need our forests, especially in the cooler areas or those with big canopy's to reduce the heat for their survival.

But we have one of the most unique, and gorgeous greater gliders that specifically need old trees to survive and again require the forests with old thick canopies to ensure they don't die from heat. We have rare birds, plants and no one has even researched our pristine river systems that get affected too, we have platypus groups living in the deeper parts of the local rivers AND frog species only found there too. When do you decide there is simply too much at stake?

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

Load of shit! Bamboo for toilet paper, that is sustainable (grows fast), fake and recycled timber can be used (if you dare to change stupid outdated building laws to allow this), construction rarely use old native timber as it's too expensive and requires different set of tools to be able to drill into it, transport .. tell me what transport use native timber please (I don't know the link to this please), retail, only a small few can afford native timber in their home or for cabinet making. So the need would be low, not the level they are raping our forests as we speak!

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

Private native forestry is privately owned. Currently we see forestry or private corps buying a bush block, then clearing it all and reselling it as cleared to new farmers. I think harsher rules need to apply so no one can simply clear all their land, only selected trees by qualified forest ecologist's should be allowed and it should be by % too along with nature wild life checks to ensure say a koala family isn't displaced. Private or state same should apply.

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 love the eco tourism use of state forests. Big mtb family and friends, hikers, camping, and give the local indigenous rights to help or manage all of them. So cultural connections are kept and the land and the animals in it is always the the priority. Charge a fee to use or camp if need to, to not need to ever log again!

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

Simple! Stop native forest logging and you achieve it all.

