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

There is way too much evidence of past and current forestry practices not adhering to minimal sustainability requirements in regard to cut timber quotas, fauna habitat protection laws and guidelines, endangered species protection criteria etc the whole industry is a farce! Led by criminals who should be prosecuted for their negligence.

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

More training needed, as current practices do not reflect or match such knowledge since none of these values are taken seriously by the industry.

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

Bamboo Hemp Plantation Alternatives Time to Think outside the box!

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? More corrupt logging practices to denude even more land and raze what remnants are left to plant inappropriate trees in poorly managed plantations Nah Further robbing the public of their forest ecosystemservices

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

Yes include more up to date forest management models, and she them. Action and evaluation and Enforcement to achieve real environmental outcomes. Better Kate than never. Get some intelligent people into the industry who can do the maths!!! Current forest practices are unviable, destructive and utterly pointless, as the cost to us and the planet makes NO sense to anyone.

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

Climate change mitigation will only start to be a possibility once the State forest logging industry is totally reformed or abolished. If the government can't deliver benefits to the people (from

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logging) then find or create agencies that will manage the forests and use them wisely, while increasing biodiversity. For our forest flora and fauna to continue to exist we need new ways and patterns of forest management that actually work (patchwork mosaics and bio islands) Not carbon markets this is a furphy, you cannot trade carbon!