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

Of course it is sustainable, the industry has been around for 100+ years. There needs to be more markets where 'the leftovers' after producing a sawlog can be utilized.

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

The demand for timber products is increasing. The NSW government wants to build more housing and where is the hardwood timber going to come from if Native Forest timber isn't part of the mix. I would hate to think that imported timber from areas that have less harvesting controls than what we have in NSW would be on the menu to fill the gap. I love my aussie hardwoods as an option for flooring, decking, beams, furniture etc and the product should not become no longer available.

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

The NSW government needs to invest more into hardwood plantations. Private Native Forestry alone is not going to fill the void in meeting timber supply needs.

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

Recreation within State Forests such as camping, hiking, horse riding, bike riding or just walking the dog where else could you go for free and enjoy the great outdoors.