

# Public submission

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Hello, my name is Neil Warren, I have worked at Gelletly Red Gum Firewood in Barham NSW for 7 years as a docker operator.

We have been informed that the future of forestry work may be in jeopardy.

Unfortunately, 5 towns and a large number of businesses would be heavily affected, hundreds of people losing jobs, friends and relations visits would slow down.

My partner works in a local pub in Barham and says at least 80% of her clientele would be affected.

What we are and have been doing is taking great pride and care in our work in the forests and wildlife.

I have an elderly Aboriginal friend who I take for a drive through the forest and our work, he was brought up in mission in Deniliquin and said we do exactly the same as his ancestors, thinning out the bush so it can be enjoyed, not just by workers, campers, hunters, fishing.

We live in a beautiful part of the country and don't want it to die from people that don't understand the important job we do looking after our forest.

Signed.

Neil Warren.