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1. Sustainability of current and future forestry operations in NSW

I'm a Generational Mid North Coast Builder specialising in using our local Timbers. My Family has had a long Connection to the Land.

Native hardwood logging provides the Ultimate Renewable resource, Timber.

As the trees grow, they take in carbon dioxide. The trees get cut down to make an abundance of products. The carbon dioxide is sequestered. The Forest grows back, the Animals come back and the Cycle repeats itself.

This ideally for native forests would be a 40 year cycle. However the incorporation of Hardwood Plantations into National Parks has reduced the supply and put pressure on existing Stock. As has the many mischievous Legal actions caused by the various vocal Anti-Logging Groups.

The Great Koala Park will also put pressure on the supply cycle

If allowed to function properly over that 40 year period Forestry Work will go on forever with benefits to the Society, Environment and Economy.

It's a win all-round.

I can understand People being confronted when they see a freshly cleared Forestry Plantation, But it grows back, the animals return and its just like the surrounding Forest.

I'm concerned that allot of the debate from those opposed Native Logging is based on questionable science and emotion.

One morning a few months ago a bloke from an Environmental group was arguing that the Forest is never the same after being logged, even after growing, back its ruined!

In reality virtually every National Park has been logged at least once.

As for the emotive use of Koalas and other Threatened Species to stop logging. The NSW Forestry Corporation employs allot of very professional People including environmental specialists to look after the Forests and its Inhabitants. No one wants to any creature harmed.

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

See No 1

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

As a Builder I'm heavily reliant on Local Mid North coast Hardwoods across many facets of the Construction Industry. To name a few Structural Timbers, Architectural Features Doors and Windows, Flooring, Cladding etc etc.

Hardwood is totally different from Pine in both its Properties and Uses.

The Construction Industry is totally dependent upon our superior Native Hardwoods.

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

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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

See No1 & 2

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

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