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

I fully support an end to native forest logging and a future based. on sustainable plantations

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

Logging of native forests is leading to the extinction of species, such as the Greater Glider, the Swift Parrot and the Koala and so cannot be described as sustainable.

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

Logging public native forests is costing the taxpayer millions and leading to permanent damage to our forests. Sustainable plantations and alternative low bushfire risk alternative products are a more practical and environmental alternative.

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

There is no longer any need to log public native forests to build houses.

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

Diverse forest management, particularly Aboriginal models, can enhance the cultural and social value of forests.

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

We need healthy forests for holding carbon, cleaning our water, providing habitat, improving fire management, providing recreation and spiritual connection. Logging native forests damages all these values.