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

For a little over fifty years I have been concerned about the environmental damage caused by logging of native forests, for hardwood supply. I was horrified to see the 'moon-scape' of total clear felling south of Eden. Over time Forestry improved significantly on their practices. However over the years I am aware their are concerns of continuing abuse of guidelines. The dollar has more power than doing the right thing. The issue of threatened species is still there.

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

I hope that the plantations (softwood and hardwood) will one day meet these needs. Maybe they do now.

Submission to The Forestry Industry Action Panel, by Robert Grasby,
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Over the years I have heard references that the logging of public native forests for hardwood is subsidised by the taxpayer. I have today sent letters to three government sources with the hope that I can learn details of cost and income.

I am concerned that it may be possible for pro-logging folk to bury the details if public money is being used to damage the environment. I hope your Panel has the expertise and impartiality to discover truth, and reveal it. It is a great shame on our society if public money is involved with paying people to damage the environment. Public money should be used to protect the environment.