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

the current forestry operations is not sustainable. We need to stop logging native forests and keep old growth to sequester carbon and provide habitat for our unique wildlife.

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

forests are much needed refuges for our local wildlife and ecosystems. These forests are a huge part of the indigenous culture and we must protect them and take care of country

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

We don't need to log native forest for timber for housing. We need to stop clearing land for houses and build more space and energy efficient housing on the land we have already cleared. We can be supplied with high quality timber from plantations.

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

we need to invest in hardwood plantations on already cleared land as we shift away from a meat heavy diet and no longer need these farm lands for cattle and sheep.

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

healthy native resources provide water sources and carbon sequester goals. We need to follow the traditional owners leadership and this will increase economic value through tourism, job creation and recreational opportunities.

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

logging in native forests releases large amounts of carbon plus all the carbon released to do it. With healthy forests we can help reverse climate change and provide habitat for our beautiful wildlife. Its a win-win!