

GLENDAL ODGERS

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

Stop logging old growth forests. And protect the habitat of koalas and greater gliders and other threatened species.

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

Critical native forests are being turned into low value products. They are not making a profit yet the damage to vital habitat is not reversible. It takes many decades to make a hollow that an animal can live in.

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

Green steel can replace timber products in NSW housing and construction.

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

Wood chip is a low grade product. NSW does not make a profit out of timber. We are subsidising a few jobs for the wrong reasons. Retraining of forestry workers is the solution.

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

Tourism is the economic future for the mid north coast not forestry. This will provide sustainable economic and social outcomes for our region.

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

Protecting the forest is vital for minimising carbon emissions in the environment. Protect the forests and help the ecosystem and minimise climate change.