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

Logging of NSW public native forests should stop. The health of the forest ecosystem is declining and the status of the forest dependant threatened species is worsening. The logging of these native forest release carbon into our atmosphere and contributed to climate change. Forestry operations are not financially sustainable with annual multi million dollar losses requiring public subsidies.

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

These public native forests are of great value to the people of NSW and Australia and of course include many sites of significant value to first nations people. Protecting native forests from logging will also recognise the value of the forests, the species that depend on them and the cultural value they represent.

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

91% of our timber needs are met by plantations with enough plantation timber and non-timber alternatives to cover the remaining requirements. Given this there is no need to continue with public native forest logging.