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

My family and I work in timber milling. The logs come from sustainably managed forests. There are rules and regulations for logging and timber production.

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

The timber industry is part of the culture and local identity in our region. Equally, the forests and the environment is part of the region's identity. They are not mutually exclusive.

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

Log supply changes with weather and site access. Demand for sawn timber has not changed, it is always in demand.

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

Private native forests make part of the mills log supply. The mill cuts some plantation wood, but for different products. The plantation wood is younger and smaller.

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

State forests are managed for a range of outcomes. The rules and regulations set by the government are designed to manage this.

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

Managing the state forests as they are managed, logging of small areas and letting the forest regrow mitigates climate and environmental risk