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

Native forest logging is unsustainable
Estimations by the Forestry Corporation of the amount of harvestable timber are consistently over estimated
The yield from public native forests has declined by 40% since 2010
Protections for mature trees were removed in 2018 and logging was intensified to try and get more wood from native forests
Logging of native forests reduces biomass and carbon storage, and removing mature trees takes away valuable food sources and hollow bearing trees
174 species in NSW rely on hollows for dens and nests, logging reduces the number of hollows that will be created in native forests
Native forest logging increases fire threat and intensity, erosion and water way pollution, and the penetration of weeds and other invasive species
Native forest logging reduces the function and health of waterways, including streams and rivers