

SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONS

Environment, Energy and Science Group – Environment Protection Authority

1. *In response to your statement “the IFOA also includes a requirement where koala high-use areas identified under the former IFOAs have to be protected permanently for the first time”.*
 - a. *Could you provide a table of the State Forests where such koala high use areas have been identified and the areas that will be permanently protected?*
 - b. *What is the total area of protected Koala high use areas?*

Response:

- a. As part of the planning process for future forestry operations, the Coastal IFOA requires Forestry Corporation of NSW to examine historic harvesting records to identify the location of past koala high-use areas.

The table below lists the koala high use areas that have been identified from historic records to date, this list will increase as future forestry operations are planned under the Coastal IFOA.

State Forest	Koala Exclusion Zone (hectares)
Bagawa State Forest	2.3
Bald Knob State Forest	1.5
Banyabba State Forest	2.5
Beaury State Forest	4.1
Bellangry State Forest	7.3
Boambee State Forest	5.9
Bowman State Forest	0.5
Braemar State Forest	1.7
Buckra Bendinni State Forest	0.5
Bulahdelah State Forest	5
Bulga State Forest	6.1
Cairncross State Forest	5.8
Camira State Forest	14.9
Cherry Tree State Forest	0.4
Clouds Creek State Forest	2.7
Cowarra State Forest	3
Donaldson State Forest	11.6
Ellis State Forest	12.5
Girard State Forest	8.1
Gladstone State Forest	1.2

State Forest	Koala Exclusion Zone (hectares)
Gundar State Forest	0.4
Ingalba State Forest	0.6
Irishman State Forest	0.4
Koreelah State Forest	2
Marengo State Forest	5.6
Middle Brother State Forest	7.6
Moonpar State Forest	3.6
Mount Marsh State Forest	5.4
Nana Creek State Forest	1.1
Nerong State Forest	0.4
Newry State Forest	0.7
Orara West State Forest	2
Pine Creek State Forest	5.7
Richmond Range State Forest	2.5
Royal Camp State Forest	14.7
Sugarloaf State Forest	1
Tamban State Forest	0.7
Tuckers Nob State Forest	0.9
Wang Wauk State Forest	26.8
Wild Cattle Creek State Forest	34
Woodenbong State Forest	0.7

- b. The area of koala high use areas to be permanently protected is identified progressively as forestry operations are planned under the Coastal IFOA.

2. *In response to your statement "habitat corridors, stream corridors, old-growth forests, rainforests" having protection. Can forestry put roads through these areas?*

Response:

Yes, however the IFOA sets specific controls around their construction, maintenance and use. This is to ensure other alternatives are considered first, and if roads are required, then potential impacts are minimised to the greatest extent possible.

Attachments

1	Department of Planning, Industry and Environment organisational structure charts
2	Conserving koalas in Campbelltown and Wollondilly LGAs