

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC LAND IN
NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Submission to the Inquiry into the Management of Public Lands in New South Wales.

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity to contribute to the “Management of Public Lands Inquiry”.

In regard to the management of State Forests, I am opposed to any logging in old growth forests.

In regard to the management of National Parks, I ask the government to adopt a management model that:

1. has the health and wellbeing of the natural environment as its primary consideration
2. does not allow coal seam gas exploration or extraction
3. does not allow grazing
4. sets recreational activity loads at sustainable levels that have been determined scientifically
5. allows for the introduction of charges for access to facilities needed for activities that are not self-reliant. New user groups demand new sorts of facilities; mountain bike riders want new single track, horse riders want new loop trails and special provisions at camping sites, and shooters will need supervision by park staff. These animal and machine reliant activities add to the cost of the parks but these users are not asked to make any financial contribution to these added costs.
6. allows NPWS staff to formulate and implement feral animal control, invasive weed management and fire management.