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

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As a person who has a lifetime in sawmilling and ownership of a large private hardwood forest it is difficult to understand the need for two separate and totally opposing management teams to administer the National Park and State Forest estates.

We as owners of private land have adopted a management plan recognising areas of heritage value and areas for commercial timber production.

It is time State Government realised the benefits of such plan and amalgamated the Parks and Forests under the one Minister, reserving the areas of heritage and scientific value and harvesting the non sensitive areas to provide funding to administer both sections without call on State Government revenue.

The additional benefits are numerous- Reduction of administration costs by amalgamating two departments-Better access to the public by utilising the maintained road system of the forest industry-Reduce the need to charge the public for park access- security of supply to the hardwood timber industry-pluss many more too numerous to show details.

I would be happy to discuss these thoughts further --My name is Terry Carson --