

**Submission
No 506**

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

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INQUIRY INTO THE MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC LAND IN NSW.

GENERAL PURPOSE STANDING COMMITTEE No. 5.

1. Submissions close on 3rd August, 2012 and must be received by that date.
2. Address to – The Director, General Purpose Standing Committee No. 5, Parliament House, Macquarie Street, Sydney 2000.
3. Please mark your submissions "Formal Submission" at the top of your submission.
4. Refer to the Terms of Reference and write key points. Especially the points that have affected you personally.
5. Refer to the Red Gum Forests and name them if you wish (Milliwa, Moira, Gulpa island etc)
6. Sustainability of the timber industry
7. History of the Industry.
8. Firewood.
9. Roads and Tracks.
10. Use of the forests when you want to use them. Allowing, free entry, fishing, camp fires, dogs horses, 4 wheel drives, camping. No locking of gates.
11. Free trade and commercial sale of timber, firewood.
12. Red Gum Timber for furniture, lasts generations, and is the best you can buy.
13. Red Gum trees to be respected, too much water will rot the roots systems and builds up too much pressure in the limbs and then causes the limbs to drop dangerously from the tree, sometimes causing damage and even death.
14. Gum trees only have a certain lifespan and will grow old and rot and finally fall.
15. Too much water will kill the trees, such as standing in water for long periods of time.
16. Feral animals, weeds such as box thorn, thistles, Patterson's curse and overgrowth of all area's has to be addressed and has not been.
17. Fire will be the most devastating disaster of all time. Massive amount of good timber has been burnt and is the most disgusting waste of the resource.

Millions of dollars in royalties standing in the forest, which could go towards the state of NSW helping to pay off the debt and also many other area's could also contribute while creating jobs for towns and communities close by.

Please write a submission, as this will be our last chance to have our say.

Thank you.

I agree with all ~~of~~ of the above except for some of the 4 wheel drivers who obviously can't drive & leave great wheel holes in the tracks.

I like to go camping, fishing & woodcutting in the Milliwa, Moira & Gulpa Island. My small dogs love to go with me for a swim, smell the smells & go for a walk with me.

The forests have been maintained extremely well

by forests NSW & generated millions of dollars per year for the NSW Government. I doubt National Parks will generate much needed income for NSW NOW!!

National Parks may possibly deplete the Forests with overwatering, not enough thinning & leaving enough debris to create an extreme FIRE HAZARD which, is in turn following a very Green Policy, as has happened in the past around Sydney & in the Snowy Mountains etc, in the past fifteen years approximately. History indicates that the forests - Red Gum - expanded with the intervention & good forestry practice enabling them to grow & expand. Continuing environmental - so called - fads decreases accessibility to go camping, go fishing & stop firewood collection.

Many people in this area have wood heaters & rely on sustainable wood collection, which it seems that some powers to be would stop!!

Our only other means of heating at this moment in time is bottled gas & electric heating, which is out of reach for a lot of people.

Weeds in the forests is also a problem - Horehound is another one in some areas.
Re-instate Forests NSW to properly manage & sustain
OUR FORESTS.
GLEN SUTTON