

**Submission
No 131**

**INQUIRY INTO KOALA POPULATIONS AND HABITAT IN
NEW SOUTH WALES**

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Dear members of the Committee,

Koala populations are in decline consequent to our/legislative failure to protect their habitats. Their remaining habitat must be protected, coalesced and restored. More and inviolable 'Koala hubs' must be designated and protected.

I ask the committee to prioritise solutions which prevent ongoing habitat destruction. If we can continue with business as usual we will lose this beautiful creature to transient benefits.

Please recommend for adoption radical changes to protect these vital habitats and restore our native forests. This may be politically difficult and not be without upheaval for some but without courageous leadership we will lose this wonderful creature.

Yours Sincerely, Richard Horton

(I consent to making my name and submission public).