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

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To the NSW Koala enquiry.

I, Alan Roberts, live on 53ha property where koala feed trees (including Tallowwood, Grey Gum and others grow). Its altitude ranges from ~80m to 400m ASL and includes Rainforest. Each year there are roaming male Koalas and some years there are a breeding pair of koalas.

Even though there appears to be enough feed to support koalas, when they are here they roam over the whole property which makes me wonder about their survival even though it is heavily treed.

I have partaken in koala surveys in public native forests to the south, namely Gibberagee and Braemar where evidence of far more substantial Koala colonies than there are on this place has been recorded and the data is on the NEFA web site. So when I am careful to provide habitat here and NSW forestry continues, despite evidence, to breach their threatened species licence and remove core koala habitat it deeply disturbs me.

We need a proactive plan to firstly leave what koala habitat exists still and to establish the Great Koala National Park.

You have my backing to do this. Please don't let another innocent species go extinct.

Yours Sincerely

Alan