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**INQUIRY INTO LONG TERM SUSTAINABILITY AND
FUTURE OF THE TIMBER AND FOREST PRODUCTS
INDUSTRY**

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I am really struggling with the fact that I donate money to 'save the koalas' when the state government does not seem to be even trying to do the same.

It is incredibly difficult to try to explain to my son why people cut down trees that koalas live in, because I simply cannot understand.

I can only assume that the differing interpretations of what is 'sustainable' are to blame here, as surely even the most greedy person would understand that logging cannot go on as it has, and needs to be a far more sustainable industry than what it has been to date.

Please stop cutting down what has take hundreds of years to grow, for short term profits and start to think creatively about alternative revenue streams. Understand that exponential economic growth is indeed time limited, and ill informed decisions now may not be easily repaired.