

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

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With so much of our native forests being destroyed by 200 years of clearing. Then awful destruction during the bushfires of 2019 - 2020 which has driven the native animal population to near extinction, the LAST thing our country needs is the destruction of the remnant bush land. I URGE you to consider the future of our remnant flora and fauna and place a moratorium of n further land clearing and forestry until the country has healed.

The bushfires came after a long drought that caused enormous suffering for the wild life, stock and farming communities, causing further suffering. It is time to stop the destruction and allow nature to heal. If this is not done, the effect upon our unique wild life will be catastrophic. We owe it to future generations to preserve what is left and allow the land and the wildlife to recover.

Regards
Rebecca Stevens.