

**Submission  
No 69**

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

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Dear New South Wales Legislative Council,

This submission acknowledges the Nyangbul people of the Bundjalung Nation as the actual owners of the land I call home. Thank you for the work you do. Your commitment to the state of New South Wales is admirable.

With recent enhanced global warming and associated climate change effects taking Australia's weather conditions to new decimating effects (the country's bushfires of 2019-2020), this submission implores your committee to cease the logging and deforestation of public native forests.

Pivoting to well-managed, privatised boutique forests as a growing industry is a transition that would ensure the commercial needs of forest's raw, timber materials are still met. Financial incentives could give business owners greater motivation to work in this industry.

New South Wales' state forests are quite literally the life-breath for respiring humans and animals. The health of forests ensures all humans in New South Wales can live well, free, harmonious lives.

If logging rules and regulations continue to be broken by the Forestry Corporation, climate change effects will be accelerated. As such, the safety of ALL NSW residents' lives is put into jeopardy.

#### SUMMARY

This submission kindly asks your Council to enact the following:

- Forbid the Forestry Corporation from logging public native forests.
- Provide business incentives for a private, boutique logging industry to develop.
- Implement ecologically sustainable practices, such that enhanced global warming effects are ameliorated.

Yours candidly,

Matthew McBurney