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

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To conserve biodiversity we need to manage a mosaic of public and private lands sensibly. State Forests are a valuable community resource - not just as a source of timber but also for recreational and ecological reasons. I think that the time has come for State Forests lands to be managed with a priority for nature conservation. To this end:

- o An end to public native forest logging.
- o Immediate expansion of the plantation estate, with a goal of a 100% plantation-based timber industry.
- o Government transition plans for communities impacted by transition out of native forest logging.
- o Transfer of the most ecologically significant state forests into the national parks estate.