

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

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Manufacturing Division

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Timber Supply Chain Log of Claims

1. Expand timber plantations.

2. Manage existing timber supply better through:

- a. Utilising Indigenous cultural knowledge**
- b. Creating a NSW Forestry Industry Advisory Council**
- c. Creating a Forestry Coordinator-General**
- d. Not exporting timber that can be processed in Australian mills**
- e. Providing assistance with freight costs in the medium term.**

3. Set-up an industry innovation fund and link access to it (and all government grants) to the creation of secure jobs.

4. Commit that any changes to the hardwood sector will be linked to maintaining supply and on the basis of participants creating permanent jobs.

5. Require NSW timber to be used in all appropriate state government projects.

6. Commit to an industry-wide skills audit and an industry assistance package that prioritises secure jobs.