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- Q9. **Stakeholder type - Other**
not answered
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not answered
- Q11. **Organisation name** not answered
- Q12. **What is your preferred method of contact?** Email
- Q13. **Would you like to receive further information and updates on IFOA and forestry matters?** No
- Q14. **Can the EPA make your submission public?** Yes, but anonymous
- Q15. **Have you previously engaged with the EPA on forestry issues?** No

Q16. What parts of the draft Coastal IFOA are most important to you? Why?

Important to me is - the protection of the biodiversity of our forest, continued protection of Old Growth forests and Rainforest, protection and health of our waterways, protection of all flora and fauna - especially those under threat from decrease habitat areas. These are important to me because it has an overall impact and the health of our forests and ecosystems and impacts on how these forest can be used and protected into the future. It seems to me that we are entering an age were forest and healthy eco-systems are going to be an important part of the LONG TERM strategy to combat climate change and the overall health of our planet and society.

Q17. What parts of the draft Coastal IFOA do you think have a positive outcome on the management of environmental values or the production of sustainable timber? Why?

No I do not think there is any positive outcome on the management or environmental values within the IFOA

Q18. What parts of the draft Coastal IFOA do you think have a negative outcome on the management of environmental values or the production of sustainable timber? Why?

1 – The logging of old growth forest and rainforest that were once protected under the CAR reserve system. This change will have very long term effects on the larger ecosystem as a whole and will impact on the ability of these forest to regenerate for future use. Protecting old growth and rainforest are extremely important to the health of our forest. 2 – Stream buffers around our headwaters and river systems need to be expanded up to 30m not reduced to 5m. This is vital for the health of our water catchment areas, threatened species and integrity of our forests. 3 – Reduction of the retentions of hollow-bearing tree's impacts on the habitat spaces for our (often endangered) wildlife. We should retain all hollow-bearing trees through the forest and also retain the next largest tree's in the forest to increase the retention rate. 4 – We need to restore pre-logging surveys within the forests to identify all threatened flora and fauna species. Once identified we need to have mechanisms in place to ensure that what is found is in fact protected. To do this successfully it will need to be done by independent experts. 5 – The increased wood commitments from the NENSW is outrages and explains why there is such a large roll back on environmental protections, most notably the logging of old growth forests and rainforest in the CAR reserve system and the decrease of the stream buffer zones.

Q19. What are your views on the effectiveness of the combination of permanent environmental protections at the regional, landscape and operational scales (multi-scale protection)?

I have none

Q20. In your opinion, would the draft Coastal IFOA be effective in managing environmental values and a sustainable timber industry? Why?

No I do not think that the draft Coastal IFOA will be effective in managing environmental values or contribute to a sustainable timber industry. The draft IFOA has a very short term vision of what it means to sustainably manage a forest. The combination of the roll back of environmental protections and the increase in wood commitments means that the biodiversity of our forest are under threat impacting on the long term feasibility of the timber industry.

Q21. General comments

Please these are our forest for this generation and the next 7 generations to come. We need a long term strategy to protect and utilise our forests for ourselves and the for the flora and fauna that make up the forest over a long time period. Using the forest in this way is going to further deplete what little we have left.

Q22. Attach your supporting documents (Document 1) not answered

Q23. Attach your supporting documents (Document 2) not answered

Q24. Attach your supporting documents (Document 3) not answered
