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To: Andrew Constance MP  
Member for Bega

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Dear Sir

I am writing to you out of concern for the proposed logging of the lake adjoining Corunna Lake. It's disturbing that the industry is so short of saw logs that it has to harvest in such sensitive areas. This forest forms the backdrop to Guluga and is the scenic backdrop to Corunna Lake.

The State Government has the cart before the horse. It has given approval for wood supply and shown a willingness to roll over the Regional Forest Agreements before the 'comprehensive review' and after the Auditor-General and Natural Resources Commission have identified problems with future saw log supply, in short, cutting down trees faster than they're growing back. Asking industry to re-tool for smaller logs and proposing to halve stream bed reserves surely is an admission of failure and an indicator of mismanagement.

The work of Professor David Lindenmeyer shows clearly that when environmental accounting is used, the trees are worth more in the ground. Logging areas like the forest around Corunna Lake makes no ecological or commercial sense.

Yours sincerely,