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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?** Yes
- Q14. **Can the EPA make your submission public?** Yes
- Q15. **Have you previously engaged with the EPA on forestry issues?** Yes
- Q16. **What parts of the draft Coastal IFOA are most important to you? Why?**
Climate change and forest dieback make future timber resources increasingly uncertain—an issue highlighted in the the Natural Resources Commission report but ignored in the IFOA.
- 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?**
I am not aware of any aspect which would have a positive outcome except for the NSW Government's wish to meet unrealistic wood supplies for a few short years. This would have a disastrous outcome.

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?

Destroying what is left of the ecological values of state forests and logging protected areas to meet wood supply is not the action of a responsible Government. One of the recommendations in Ewan Waller's report into the RFA consultation was that the Government conduct a review of the logging industry considering climate change, conservation, socio-economic issues and support for the logging industry. This is the least the community can expect.

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)?

The new IFOA will heighten the impacts of logging on threatened species, and exacerbate key threatening processes such as the loss of hollow-bearing trees and bell-miner associated dieback. The intensive harvesting zone will destroy almost half of the mapped high-quality koala habitat in state forests.

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

No. Overlogging has reduced sawlog resources throughout coastal NSW, a fact recognised by the industry itself. Under the proposed rotation rates continuation of forestry would be unsustainable. This is completely undermining the future of forestry in NSW.

Q21. General comments

I urge you to abandon the IFOA, and instead use the end of the Regional Forest Agreements to transition out of native forest logging on public land and implement positive alternatives like NPA's Great Koala National Park and Forests For All proposals.

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
