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Dear NSW Govt Dept,

I am appalled to read that you are proposing to change the regulation of logging operations, which would make it *even easier* to damage and destroy our fragile native forests and wildlife.

Your signaled remake of the Coastal integrated Forestry Operations Approvals would serve to remove most restrictions on harmful clear-felling and intensive logging operations which simply beggars belief!! On top of this, it seems, there would be absolutely no requirements for threatened species surveys which is an absolutely criminal move.

This kind of barbaric, archaic, vandalistic, alteration to vital safeguards will lead to massively increased degradation of our environment, accelerated erosion and pronounced pollution of our water catchments. To remove the very last protections for our unique and vulnerable native plants and animals is patently the work of philistines.

I urge you NOT to weaken the, already pitifully inadequate, regulations and rethink your inane commitment to maintaining timber supply from *our* native forests, at any cost. History will judge you very harshly for sacrificing our valuable natural heritage for a rapacious taxpayer-subsidized industry which seems to have no ethical or moral foundation.

It seems clear that this whole sad scenario should come under the independent scrutiny of a body such as ICAC.

Yours faithfully

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