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There are so many expensive programs and policies that sit on the shelf and never get followed. In every industry. People are greedy, and do what is best for their own personal gain. Forestry Corporation is no different.

When I attended the Monitoring presentation in Grafton, I became deeply frustrated that this tired, old, destructive, extractive industry is allowed to continue into 2020.

How is just over 300 jobs in native forestry for the whole of NSW justified when their regime is clearfelling huge compartments results in devastation to water supplies, biodiversity, and our carbon sinks? Those environmental services alone are worth more than any amount of 'jobs' or products resulting from this industry. Jobs are only so a few people can pay a mortgage. At some point, you MUST realistically weigh it all up!! 300 people versus the rest of the STATE!! It is completely insane that Forestry Corporation is allowed to continue to take from OUR state-owned resources. It just needs to stop. Especially now, with the urgency of climate change and resultant fires, water crisis, and the extinction crisis with 25 species going extinct PER DAY. How do you monitor the compounding effects of continued deforestation, and more importantly, what do you propose to DO with the information collected? In reality, a monitoring program only really buys time to continue on this deadly trajectory.

Please, we urge you to bring some sense, finally, into this situation and do what Victoria is (hopefully!) doing, and STOP NATIVE FOREST LOGGING NOW.

Regards,

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