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To: Avtar Singh
Subject: south western cypress state forests

My name is Stephen Beattie. I own two businesses and reside in the town of Condobolin New South Wales.

Grants Sawmilling own and operate a Australian cypress sawmill in our town. They provide a large number of jobs both directly and indirectly in this ailing town.

Grants make a special point of supporting local businesses as they know that by doing this, they are keeping the local community stronger and more viable.

History will show that Grants harvesting of cypress has been done in a responsible and professional manner ensuring that everyone benefits including the environment.

I implore you to look at this revision of the use and tenure of cypress with an all rounded view and helping a dying town in not stopping this business to carry out its venture in the future.

Yours sincerely
Stephen Beattie