The priorities of this plan in terms of environmental protections are woefully inadequate and will result in biodiversity reduction, lowered water quality and reduced habitat for threatened species.
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?

There is no part of this document that has positive outcomes for environmental sustainability. The draft plan should be scrapped and our public forests preserved in perpetuity to maintain biodiversity and sequester carbon to avoid catastrophic climate change.

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?

All parts negatively impact environmental values, in particular the reduction of buffers around waterways which will inevitably result in lowered water quality and aquatic habitats. The introduction of logging in exclusion zones will result in threatened fauna and flora declines, introduce weeds and other invasive species and increase sedimentation of waterways.

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)?

There are no environmental protections within this planning instrument.

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

No. The only way we can have a sustainable timber industry is through plantation forests on previous agricultural lands. We can not afford to lose any more of our forests.

Q21. General comments

I will be closely monitoring your performance in these areas and taking further action if I do not see an immediate marked improvement in outcomes for our forests.

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