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- 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?** No

**Q16. What parts of the draft Coastal IFOA are most important to you? Why?**

It is proposing very destructive changes which include decimating Australian wildlife and making future timber resources very uncertain by intensive harvesting of 140,000 hectares of coastal forests.

**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 are no parts of the draft Coastal IFOA that have a positive outcome on the environment or the timber industry. Because the changes destroy both the environment and the timber industry.

**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?**

The new IFOA abandons the ecologically sustainable forest management (ESFM) by clearfelling 140 hectares of coastal forests between Grafton & Taree which is diabolical. It has rezoned old-growth forests for logging and is proposing such intensive logging that the timber industry will be unsustainable, timber mills and employment in the industry is already virtually non-existent.

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**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)?**

A combination of permanent environmental protections is essential to protect what remains of Australian forests, wildlife and wilderness. The tourism industry depends on our natural environment to attract visitors to Australia. Tourists come here to see what they have already lost in their countries by ruthless short-term thinking governments.

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

Definitely not. The new IFOA proposal should never be implemented. It destroys 140,000 hectares of coastal forests, and renders the timber industry unsustainable. It is a short-term disaster.

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**Q21. General comments**

I am absolutely horrified at the IFOA proposal by the NSW Government. I hope they lose the next election, this proposal to intensify logging throughout the landscape will not only destroy wilderness & wildlife but also render the timber industry and the tourism industry unsustainable.

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**Q22. Attach your supporting documents (Document 1)** not answered

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**Q23. Attach your supporting documents (Document 2)** not answered

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**Q24. Attach your supporting documents (Document 3)** not answered

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