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not answered
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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, but anonymous
- 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?**
Continued logging, reclamation by forestries of national parks protected flora, reduction of safety perimeters.

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 continued native growth logging which is a positive outcome for the management of environmental values. The continued decimation of our native forests is a shame for all people and wildlife, due to the continued domination of our eco-systems we are looking at existing within a failing environment which can no longer support people or wildlife, let alone industries, to suggest there are any positives within the framework suggested in the Coastal IFOA is ludicrous, especially considering that the current inadequate guidelines for protection of habitat and local features is posed as being further slackened.

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?

Due to the suggestion of increased logging activity in previously protected zones, and the utter decimation of eco-systems, to support a dying industry, we as the people are looking towards a bleak future in regards to continued longevity on this planet. It may look like small increases on a map viewed from a distance, however to simply support this behaviour, sends a message worldwide that this behaviour is ok, and, as a result we further continue destruction on a global scale of the very support systems which made life for humans on this planet possible. We currently have various other resources available in the form of plantation timbers, and alternative technologies which previously the forestry activities provided. Perhaps it is time for the forestry protection board to evolve the worldview and make inspiring changes to the way industry operates in the most beautiful places on earth, if it truly wishes to protect the environment.

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)?

The efficacious nature of protections is dubiously received by all who have any dealings with the government. In particular the shock of hearing that forestry is moving to begin logging within national parks, lets the people know that any promises offered are a falsity, any protections stated are readily withdrawn, at the slightest opportunity. The fact that these proposals are taking place to support an industry which itself is unsustainable is ludicrous and offensive. The attempt to bolster trust in governmental agencies to protect the life-blood of all people and existence, fails immediately, and we as the people are left wondering at what point will industry wake up to itself and the intelligence of humanity which, offers many alternative opportunities to re-establish healthy eco-systems and the opportunity for true growth and ongoing sustainability of healthy global existence.

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

NO. As stated previously what the Coastal IFOA proposes is further decimation of an already fragile eco-system. The timber industry is already unsustainable which is seen clearly in the amount of subsidy received from the government, what the timber industry needs to realise is that the further greedy hunger for un-cut forests is not going to re-establish its sustainability. It is an industry which has the opportunity to dramatically change its behaviour and morph into a new systems approach, which supports sustainable existence, or, it can fail and go down in history as one of the reasons why the eco-systems of the world were no longer able to support the growth of the human existence. The future of a sustainable timber industry involves a dramatic evolution of the way the timber industry operates and to what outcome, in response the agencies which seek to 'manage environmental values' would be able to effectively dive into the true practice of doing just that, but while the timber industry seeks to operate in the ways which it previously has, there is no way that environmental values or sustainable industry can be honoured.

Q21. General comments

I feel very strongly that the proposed Coastal IFOA announces a sad potentiality for the future of a landscape which has so many higher values than the chinese paper factories. If the proposal goes ahead we are looking at the decimation of world heritage sites, and the destruction of cultural human values. We are one with the planet and nature, all that we receive to survive depends on the planets continued state of abundance, at the current rate of destruction we are looking at a global ecological breakdown within 50 years, an unsustainable home, any person with children or connection with the younger generation realises the battle they will inherit, and already so. Within our lifetime we will see so much destruction if we allow these behaviours to continue at any level. With the genuine level of intelligence readily available to humanity, we can already source alternative measures and practices to begin to change the tide, and we as the people call on those with greater influence and power to be able to stop the atrocities and re-direct the values of a nation, and, hopefully support the international movement towards growth and the evolution of resource management.

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
