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- Q9. **Stakeholder type - Other**
not answered
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not answered
- Q11. **Organisation name** not answered
- Q12. **What is your preferred method of contact?** Mobile
- 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?**
logging regimes - I am a beekeeper that relies on the diversity of our unique forests to make a living. Enough trees have to be retained for species and age diversity as well as support honeybees.
- 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?**
not answered

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?

Current burning practices are reducing species diversity. Monitoring of regeneration is not being done where logging more than 14sq m basal area is left. That is inadequate - checking regeneration for germination rates and species diversity should be done where more than 20% of the total basal area has been logged. I am not confident that Forests NSW staff or EPA have the knowledge to correctly identify all the different species that should have regenerated in our mixed species forests. this includes the forests around Eden and Batemans Bay that each have one dominant species but they are still a mixed species forest. In this IFOA checking regeneration can be done less than 12 months after a post harvest burn - this should be increased to at least 18 months.

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)?

They will only work if the logging of coups is done at a slower rate than those touted in this IOFA.

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

No. Logging regime is too often and too hard leaving too little timber and not allowing the middle and lower storey to recover. Clear felled coups should only be thinned at 20 years and not clear felled again for at least 60 years. Leaving too few trees does not allow for genetic diversity.

Q21. General comments

Forests NSW report to NSW Parliament does not have enough detail to determine if the logging rate is sustainable. the report should include the amount of high quality sawlogs from regrowth forests and separate figures from old growth forests. The figures should also show the returns from wood chips, veneer logs etc.

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
