

Community requests intended for mitigation of harm and death to native wildlife and reduction of negative effects on the community caused by tree harvesting carried out by Forestry Corporation in each and every harvest compartment in NSW.

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These requests have been made due to the extremely high number of native animal deaths occurring while tree harvesting and the distressing effect the loss of nature and wildlife is having on the community.

Designed to assist the NSW Government's vision of a sustainably managed forest estate that delivers social and environmental benefits, as per Forestry Industry Roadmap.

1. Forestry Corporation to immediately abandon the common practice of building log dumps and roads in the vicinity of yellow bellied feed trees.
2. Forestry Corporation and EPA to equip themselves with drones for the purpose of positively identifying nest trees, hollow bearing trees and arboreal mammal or tree hollow dwelling bird occupied trees.
3. Avoidance and protection of trees identified by point 2, including an exclusion zone around each tree to avoid accidental damage by machinery or falling trees
4. Forestry Corporation to equip each individual harvest team with a hydraulic crane (cherry picking machine) for the removal of the limb containing the wildlife and replacement of said limb in another suitable tree (of the same type) in an exclusion zone if avoidance of occupied tree is impossible.
5. Forestry Corporation to self-implement the Glenbog Protocol to avoid the burying alive of wombats in each and every harvest compartment in the entire harvest area, not limited to roads and log dumps.
6. Forestry Corporation to provide a chemical portable toilet for each and every harvest crew, in the interest of public health.
7. Forestry Corporation to ensure that nature trails are protected, avoided and restored (cleared of fallen canopies) to lessen the great sense of loss of recreational areas experienced by the community.
8. Forestry Corporation to conduct a comprehensive post harvest nocturnal faunal survey in each and every compartment and publish findings on their website.