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Court appearances

A Bega Valley Shire Councillor is one of three people who will appear in Bega Local Court tomorrow (Wednesday 2nd February) on charges stemming from the Mumbulla Koala Forests protests last year.

An Aboriginal traditional owner and a Sydney forest campaigner will also appear to defend charges against them resulting from the protests.

Greens Councillor Keith Hughes has been charged with the offence of hide tools to unlawfully influence person under the Crimes Act S.545B 1iii after being attached round the neck by a bike lock to a log loader. The offence carries a maximum penalty of 2 years in prison.

Ms Jane Salmon will answer a similar charge.

Koori traditional owner, Mr Louis Campbell will defend a Forestry charge of remaining in a prohibited zone.

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