

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Inquiry: Inquiry into ecosystem decline in Victoria

Hearing Date: 26 August 2021

Question[s] taken on notice

Directed to: Jill Redwood, Environment East Gippsland

1. Ms Bath Page no. 30

Question asked.

... my understanding is that VicForests is required to put back into those small coupes the same trees that were taken out in the first place, so it would be interesting to see where you are referencing those particular coupes. You maybe would be able to take that on notice and provide that to the committee, because you are making some serious allegations, so it would be good to be able to ascertain the local specific areas or coupes that you are relating to. I am also interested—I thought you referenced bulldozing, and I just wanted to understand what you meant by that

Response:

I am pleased to see Ms Bath and Bev McAurther take an interest in EEG's presentation, more so Ms Bath. And her disbelief in the images which I presented to illustrate the lack of diversity which is coaxed to return after logging.

The photos of the single species regenerated and thinned forests – which we term 'conversion' were taken at a number of sites and those depicted were from:

Yalmy Road, Errinundra Road, Alstergrens Road, 36 mile Track and Aberdeen Road thinnings coupes.