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Submission: Saving Sydneys Trees and Tree Canopy Task Force Australia send this submission in the hope of True Conservation outcomes and Governance over our Environment within the Planning Process. We are an Association with a facebook platform that has over 9Thousand followers and many more depending on issue. This, is one of those Issues. Our indications are of extensive discord to this Proposal on many grounds. The Plan "draft" Cumberland Plain Conservation Plan presented has no Environmental Impact Statement, and hence no credibility in Both Design and Process. It will accelerate the dismantling of Sydney's remaining green belt and rapidly diminish the Sydney basin's ability to meet 20% of the city's fresh food needs. While at the same time Increase water and other resource demands in an area that supplies much more than its surrounding population and that projected. All in a Continent that suffers continually from prolong periods of El Nino Climate negative impacts and water shortage. It will also put the recovering and chlamydia-free South West Sydney koala population on a path to extinction and have a significant impact on eight threatened ecological communities, 25 flora species and 24 fauna species. Worryingly, the Plan will impact over a 1,000 hectares of the critically endangered Cumberland Plain Woodland, which is unique to this region. Only around 6,400 hectares or 6% of the original 107,000 hectares still exists. While some dedicated areas have been planned, it is not reasonable to think that that will satisfy the required Governance and application to the task needed in this Critical Front. We point out that Climate Science and those involved in the recent and ongoing COVID Pandemic indicate this is our new future and further point to good reasons why the entire development projections and Justifications for the Greater Sydney Commission serge to Develop is now a situation of Over Development and carries grave Economically significant risks if pursued. There is also great evidence to suggest that WEST of Sydney and other areas are no the best location for a Sustainable and Green Future, with many examples of Individual Energy and economic budget demands to be managed and our still stalled move to cheaper & sustainable sources. Quite clearly the CLIMATE will restrict outdoor uses and the Health Budget Demands will grow accordingly. Here, the Decimation of Land and Habitat Unforgivable in its negative impacts. The Presented "Plan" is particularly alarming in that it appears to be designed to facilitate a "strategic biodiversity certification" rather than be designed with true outcomes Merit and credibility. If it is presented in this way to the state and federal governments and approved the outcomes will be unavoidable and Damning. If approved, it becomes a case of "Foreseeable Damage and Danger" that around 10,000 hectares of 'urban capable' rural land could be released for development without the need for any further environmental impact assessments. This would be a Gross negligence given the already pointed out valuable and endangered species involved and would counter the stated NSW Government Objectives: · To Green the Greater Sydney Area and · Build a SUSTAINABLE FUTURE, which must include Environment and CLIMATE. We again point out that COVID /Pandemic influences projected to be a feature of the Future and the proximity of our Food supply make urbanising of "Food Bowl"/Rural areas Questionable in a design for a Sustainable Future. We strongly suggest a re-design; consideration and modification of Land Releases; and current development applications and approvals in line with the new future demands. This proposal in particular instance is of Critical Priority. We remind the Government and All Agencies of "The National Forest Policy" Agreement that is binding on all States, Territories and levels of Government. We feel this is breached in this proposal. We look for Better Methodology and Sustainable Conservation Outcome Processes. Most Sincerely M Hogg (On behalf of) Saving Sydneys Trees & Tree Canopy Task Force AUSTRALIA

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