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Submission: MUCH STRONGER ACTION IS NEEDED TO PROTECT KOALAS !! Our iconic Koala population is under threat because of unbridled development, logging and land clearing in their habitat. The NSW Government and their instrumentalities have totally failed to address this. The detrimental effect of climate change is now becoming obvious (with elevated bushfire impacts). The Federal government's ineptitude, in addressing this, compounds the situation. . Only 6% of the Cumberland Plain Woodland is left ! Surely the entirety of what little remains should be protected! This is the best opportunity to protect key natural areas across the entire region and to enact enduring protection to prevent future development, beyond the current growth area. The CPCP will permanently isolate three of the four National Parks which currently protect significant areas of Cumberland Plain Woodland; the Wianamatta Regional Park, Shanes Park, and Colebee Nature Reserve. The CPCP M7 motorway and M7-Ropes Crossing Link Road proposals would completely isolate these three reserves from each other. There should be a 2 km tunnel to save Wianamatta Regional Park The Camden Tunnel should be extended 4 km south and 6 km north - saving EMAI-to-Razorback. There should be a Cobbitty Hills wildlife corridor. No development (staged or otherwise) should occur until the protection of native vegetation is assured and the totally discredited "bio-banking" offset system should NOT be used. It is a complete rort and just means that high conservation value land will be destroyed elsewhere. What a sad and depressing policy !. The Chief Scientist's recommendation on Gilead Koala corridors should be adopted- in fact all of the Gilead land and other Koala habitats should be urgently conserved. Already we are seeing temperatures in Sydney's west rise to over 50c degrees. Continuing to remove the city's "Green lungs" and cover bushland with concrete is backward thinking. Let's make nature conservation a priority not a distant afterthought.

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