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Submission: I am not happy with the current Cumberland Plain conservation plan. This plan pretends to be about 'conservation', but is really an 'offset' framework to provide certainty to developers, and will undervalue and destroy nature. I am not happy that it will destroy more than 1,000 ha of critically endangered Cumberland Plain woodlands: Almost 16% of the tiny 6% of what remains. I am not happy with the proposal of major highways carving off a third of Colbee Nature Reserve, slice down the middle of Wianamatta Regional Park, through the precious and cool South Creek greenspace corridor previously promised, and the Cobbitty Hills bushland. Whilst the plan will create a Koala Reserve, it will isolate the koalas behind 120 kms of exclusion fencing, with only one corridor to link the George's River koalas to bushland of the Nepean and beyond. The NSW Chief Scientist said koala survival depended on 6 corridors. Each needs to be more than 425m wide, and this Plan ignores this. I am not happy the plan streamlines the removal of old growth forest trees with abundant nesting hollows, by allowing developers to offset the loss by planting saplings in flood prone, bare and desolate paddocks. I believe this plan is seriously underfunded, only \$84M is guaranteed whereas the previous plan claimed \$530M was justified. Is this plan for conservation or developers?

URL: <https://pp.planningportal.nsw.gov.au/draftplans/exhibition/draft-cumberland-plain-conservation-plan>