

The Hon Minister Upton
Minister for the Environment and Heritage NSW

Dear Minister Upton and Office of Environment and Heritage,

I am calling on you to ensure koalas are protected into the future, so that the world's favourite animal is not lost from NSW.

- The key to the survival of any species is protection of its habitat. I urge you to: implement stronger measures to save critical koala habitat in NSW including: ending logging of native forest on public land;
- improving protection of koala habitat in private native forestry operations;
- ensure urban development and infrastructure does not wipe out koala habitat, and
- reverse the recent changes that have eroded our land-clearing protections.
- and to recognise and support the koala rehabilitation groups and the veterinarians who work with them to deal with the everyday consequences of these poor policies on koalas.

I urge you to take meaningful action to save this beloved, iconic species.

Sincerely,

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