

Forestry industry backs call for logging in national parks

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Australian Solar Timbers mill at Kempsey. (CEO Douglas Head wants access to timber from National Parks)

Extract: The forestry industry has accused the state government of failing to meet its commitments to timber supply and **backed the recommendation of a parliamentary inquiry that national parks be opened up for logging.**

But conservation groups have slammed the recommendation as "completely ludicrous".

The draft report of a parliamentary committee chaired by Shooters and Fishers Party MP Robert Brown says the state government should consider the move to ensure the viability of the industry.