

To The Hon. David Bartlett, Premier of Tasmania
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Dear Mr Bartlett

RE Protect Tasmania's carbon banks

Forests are vital for life. They provide us with clean air and clean water, and play a crucial role in providing us with a safe climate.

The protection of Tasmania's carbon-rich forests should be a vital first step for your government's plans to tackle climate change.

Forests are giant carbon pumps, drawing carbon from the air and pumping it into the soil, trunks and branches over hundreds of years. Logging operations and burning release most of the carbon which has been safely stored, often for many centuries, back into the atmosphere, worsening climate change.

Protecting our forests from logging operations is a quick and easy way to prevent this stored carbon entering the atmosphere. And, because logging causes massive habitat loss and reduces biodiversity and precious water supplies, protecting forests also helps to alleviate drought and save our threatened wildlife.

Please act now to protect Tasmania's native forests, and ensure a safe and healthy future for Tasmanian families.

Yours sincerely,

Name _____ Date _____

Postal Address _____

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