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**Submission for the investigation "Central West Investigation"**Submitted on **23-10-2018**

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Description:

Re: Wombat State Forest I support the VEAC recommendation that the Wombat State Forests becomes a combination of national, regional and conservation parks. I have lived near the Wombat State Forest for nearly 40 years. It is a special place and important to conserve for the future of Australia. It has threatened flora, fauna such as Greater Gliders, Phascogales, and the Powerful Owl. It contains a variety of fungi and is important to fight climate change in the future. It provides shelter and safety for all of the above and an area that people will be able to continue to enjoy for years into the future. A fragile area that needs to be protected. We only have to look at other areas of Australia that have lost protection (e.g. areas of the Kimberleys) that have suffered from lack of protection. If mining or logging were allowed in the Forest, there would be destruction of a unique habitat that provides for all of the above, and for what, short term financial gain by people who have no interest or investment in the area, as many locals have. I therefore want you to understand how important the Wombat State Forest is for not only local people, but for the many visitors from Melbourne and surrounds who come to enjoy this pristine environment. Please consider these important comments when considering the future of the Forest.

Kind regards, Glynis Cameron

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