

# Free forestry film illustrating Forests Corporation NSW's treatment of local forests and future plans

## Wauchope RSL Club

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**THE impact of local forestry practices is the subject of a film premiering next week at Wauchope RSL.**

The documentary – New Order Chaos – screening on Wednesday, February 29, at 7pm, is free for local residents.

“It provides visual evidence of the immediate impact of current logging practice, and insights into the permanent impacts on the Mid North Coast environment and economy. “It is timely given Rob Oakeshott’s recent announcement supporting native forest ‘waste’ to be burnt in power stations and get renewable energy credits.

**Conservationists are concerned at the move in forestry from sawlog production to low-value products like woodchips and pulp logs for a latent native forest wood ‘bio’energy industry – a mooted aspect of next week’s documentary ‘New Order Chaos’**

“Those watching the fast-moving developments in this sector know this motion will entrench industrialised logging and wood chipping of Australian native forests.



“It will hasten the collapse of the timber saw log industry and the demise of the domestic hardwood supply. Consumers will be asked to pay extra for it as ‘green power’.”

“The majority of our native forests is going to China. From here it goes straight to Tea Gardens, where it’s chipped, then shipped to China. Oakeshott’s decision to promote burning native forests gives the green light to industrialised logging. I urge Rob Oakeshott to come on an urgent inspection of local forests to see concerns first hand. Hopefully he will attend the film premiere so he can better understand the import of his proposal.

The film provides evidence of the over-cutting of NSW native forest, about which the NSW Auditor General warned in his April 2009 performance audit of native forest operations.

“State forest agencies and politicians have ignored pleas to enforce regulations in this out of control industry.” For more information, call Murison McCrae on 001 618 551.