

National Forests Uprising = 13th Feb

Hi NRG people,

We hear a lot about the critical state of our water systems and the corruption/ineptitude that has got us to this point (Don't blame the drought, as the record high temps and lack of rain is a result of fossil fuel emissions.) Yet one of our best systems is a healthy biosphere: native forests and wildlife , which the current Coalition governments in NSW and Canberra collude to destroy. Now is the time to stand up for forests /wildlife and make this an important election issue. We need to get public attention to this looming disaster. We intend a single day's action on public land . We need numbers. If we don't stand up now we will wish we had. Old adage: you never miss your water til your well runs dry. Let's increase the shade , not turn up the heat.

Message from NEFA - NR. We did an initial audit of current logging operations in Gibberagee State Forest (near Whiporie, south of Casino) on Sunday and found extensive use of Grey Gums by Koalas (from scratches) and that about half the required numbers of hollow-bearing and recruitment trees are being retained. {by loggers} We intend to return on Sunday the 10th to complete the audit, the focus will be on looking for Koala scats, if anyone wants to come please let Dailan know.

This will be a perfect site for a forest action on the 13th February as one of contributions to the national Forest Uprising, a chance to get forests onto the election agenda. We need to make a statement that will be noticed. If you do nothing else, this is it. We need as many people as possible there early in the morning on that day. Details can be provided on request.