

FOREST PRODUCTS COMMISSION — SAWLOGS

173. Hon LOUISE KINGSTON to the Minister for Forestry:

I refer to the *Forest management plan 2024–2033* and the Forest Products Commission’s management of sawlog supply contracts.

- (1) Were there any surplus sawlogs after 1 January 2024?
- (2) Were the logs already allocated to existing contracts but not fulfilled before 31 December 2023?
- (3) If yes to (2), why; and have the logs since been delivered?
- (4) If no to (2), what has the Forest Products Commission done with surplus sawlogs?

Hon JACKIE JARVIS replied:

I thank the honourable member for some notice of the question.

- (1)–(4) The Cook government has now ended commercial logging of Western Australia’s iconic and unique jarrah and karri forests—a policy the opposition wishes to reverse. The *Forest management plan 2024–2033* focuses on ecological thinning for forest health. As previously advised, any timber resource, including sawlogs, will be made available to local customers.