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Mr Andrew Mattes,
Acting Manager, Crown Forestry Policy and Regulation,
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RE: BREACH OF EDEN IFOA-TSL, ALL HARVEST PLANS.

Dear Andrew,

5.6. Tree Retention

b) The location of High, Moderate and Low Quality Habitat must be determined using a combination of the mapped KB floristic assemblages and on-ground identification during pre-logging surveys and harvest planning. An indicative map of the location of habitat quality classes in a compartment must be included in the harvesting plan.

SEFR has conducted an investigation of harvest plans received from FNSW with regards to the above clause of the Eden IFOA. This investigation has revealed that not one harvest plan has a habitat quality map. This appears to be the case for the whole time the IFOA has been in force.

FNSW is meant to be conversant and comply with the prescriptions in the IFOA. Once again it can be seen that FNSW do not actually know what is contained in the IFOA. There has been too many instances of non-compliance by FNSW and very little enforcement by DECC over the years. It is time that FNSW are subjected to strict enforcement of the IFOA by DECC.

Thank you for investigating these breaches in the context of your ongoing regulatory activities and we await your response.

Yours sincerely,

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