

## **Green group rallies PM on forest protection**

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Environmentalists are demanding the Prime Minister take notice of scientific evidence that protecting forests is a way to tackle climate change.

The Wilderness Society is delivering 10,000 signed messages to Kevin Rudd in Brisbane today.

The postcards cite recent research from the Australian National University which says the amount of carbon stored in Australian forests has been underestimated.

Vica Bayley from the Wilderness Society says protecting forests must be part of any credible climate policy.

"This research has highlighted how logging those forests releases massive amounts of greenhouse pollution into the atmosphere and how governments should protect these carbon banks, these massive stores of carbon that are in these forests for climate mitigations into the future," she said.