

**Senate Standing Committee on Environment and Communications  
Legislation Committee**

Answers to questions on notice  
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**Senator Rice, Janet asked:**

What is the criteria for any interim or final outcome report of the thinning trial that would result in an end to ecological thinning and/or other logging activities?

**Answer:**

The ecological thinning trial in NSW River Red Gum Forests is a matter for the proponent and the New South Wales Office of Environment and Heritage (National Parks and Wildlife Service).