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**Senator Pratt asked:**

Senator PRATT: Of the 74,000 hectares identified for delisting, how many have been previously logged, how many of the original 170,000-hectare extension have been logged and what are these figures in percentage terms? You might need to take the percentages question on notice, but do you have a general view of the 74,000 hectares that are being delisted?

Ms Rankin: We will need to take that on notice.

Senator PRATT: So you did not know, of that 74,000, even roughly what proportion has been logged previously?

Ms Rankin: We will have to take the question on notice

Senator Birmingham: And for completeness, ensure that other economic activities, like quarrying or minerals exploration, is added to that information.

**Answer:**

The Department does not hold detailed data on which areas have been previously logged. The information used to identify areas of previous disturbance from logging included satellite photography and Regional Forest Agreement records. The Department is not in a position to provide accurate data in relation to how many hectares of the original 170,000 hectare extension have been logged or how many hectares of the 74,000 hectare extension have been logged.

No land parcels subject to mining activity, including gravel quarries used for road construction, were included in the 170,000 hectares added to the Tasmanian Wilderness in 2013.