Engage Victoria: RFA consultation process

RE: Victoria's Regional Forest Agreements

I have read and wish to unreservedly support the detailed submission from Victorian National Parks Association of which I am member

I am also of the local environment groups, Healesville Environment Watch and Friends of Leadbeater's Possum.

I was involved in the campaign to establish the Yarra Ranges National Park, walking extensively in the Central Highlands, 1980-1990s.

I have attended the FLbP v Vic Forests recent Court case and heard and read the expert witnesses for FLbP reports.

The RFA's must be completely rewritten to place conservation of species as top priority with total protection of our vital water catchment. DELWP surveys should be constantly fed into Vic Forests data base with immediate effect.

These archaic agreements must be discarded and new guidelines established, with referral back to community groups for final approval.

Your community is providing accurate field survey data and groups must be included in on-going consultations.

Sincerely

