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Australian Koala Foundation warns the NSW Government, the Koala is in trouble

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“The common acceptance of Koala extinction by 2050 gives a false sense of security. The time for protecting Koala habitat is now” says Chairman of the Australian Koala Foundation (AKF) Deborah Tabart OAM.

Tabart will be speaking on Friday the 18th of October 2019 in the Spinnakers Room of the Ballina RSL Club at 11:50 AM giving evidence to the Planning and Environment Committee at the Inquiry into Koala populations and habitat in New South Wales.

Earlier this year, the AKF announced the Koala is functionally extinct. I stand by that says Tabart “all levels of governments do not have the data to prove we are wrong and just have endless committees or hearings. It is time everyone realised the urgency of protecting Koala habitat.”

Tabart states: “The Australian Koala Foundation knows exactly where Koala habitat remains and I am confident that we have more knowledge than the departments that regulate the destruction of habitats either for development, forestry or mining.

Everyone knows the solution is to protect trees. “Only the Koala Protection Act will do that in my view and I am grateful for the opportunity to be challenged on why I believe this to be true” says Tabart.

Deborah Tabart OAM states: “I am so looking forward to the questions I’ll be asked, because I can absolutely tell them that I have seen nothing work over the last 30 years. The system is just broken”.

During the inquiry Tabart will table AKF maps showing all Koala habitat in Australia, including New South Wales. Tabart says “I challenge the NSW government to show me theirs; they are still talking about making them. I have heard that for 30 years.”

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