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I am writing to the Victorian government to take a much greater role in the prevention and rehabilitation of our Victorian eco systems. In light of serious extinction and brink of extinction (700 native plants, animals, insects and ecosystems are under threat and 120 Victorian animals, birds, plants and fish are on the brink of extinction) of many species and the shocking bushfires of 2020 it is imperative for the Vic government implements a range of actions are taken to address the profound risk to our whole community and viability of our long term future.

I am a psychologist and parent, and through my own extensive research and learning I know that our health and survival and well being is directly linked to vitality, diversity and health of our climate , atmosphere, and our ecosystems. Everything is connected. more than ever the science and our lived experience of the last year support this wisdom. The depth of eco-anxiety is very concerning.

I ask the government to take full responsibility for turning around around the profound destruction to our environment:

I hope the government may consider:

- Bringing forward the Victorian Renewable target of 50% to 2025 and contribute to keeping the global temperature to a rise of 1.5 degree.
- Fund the installation of roof top solar power to all public buildings.
- To recognise the rights and interests of traditional Custodians in all aspects of land and water management
- Fund our conservation State - improve funding to all state parks, and complete our Reserve systems - such as in Western Victorian - woodlands, grasslands, rivers and to also transition the Murray River Park to become a National park
- and importantly to please stop the logging of native forests and to rule out the salvaging and logging of burnt areas.
- to implement the plans for recovery for all threatened plants and wildlife in Victoria.

Regards
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