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Submission: I am delighted to have opportunity to influence policy on afforestation in my area. I live in west Cavan & we need full planning permission for further planting given that in some DEDs we have 30% or more afforestation which has led to huge knock on effects of isolation & social deprivation . There must be a better way of integrating trees into our beautiful landscape. I would contend that current policy of sika planting is wholly unsustainable & unsuitable. We need amienty focused broad leaves which do not impact as negatively on the environment. We require planning permission to regulate the distances that afforestation can proceed in relation to dwellings and public roads. This is a view shared in the communities of West Cavan west of Ballyconnell. If you would like to have further details or engagement I will be available.