

# RALLY

*to Respect*

# WORLD HERITAGE

**Stop Abbott's axe and keep World Heritage forest protection for Tasmania**

**Saturday June 14th**

**12 Noon**

**Parliament House  
Lawns, Hobart**

**Speakers include:**

**Greg Irons** - Bonorong Wildlife Sanctuary and Tarkine Trails

**Jamie Kirkpatrick** - Distinguished Professor of Geography and Environmental Studies, University of Tasmania

**Peter Norris** - President, Southern Beekeepers Association

**Rodney Dillon** - Aboriginal Tasmanian

**Lesley Nicklason** - Friends of the Blue Tier

Last year the United Nations' World Heritage Committee unanimously approved an extension to Tasmania's World Heritage Area. This protected spectacular areas of tall eucalypt forest from logging.

Now, despite this global recognition, the Abbott Government has applied to revoke World Heritage protection for 74,000 hectares of forests so they can be logged.

**Join us on the weekend that the World Heritage Committee meets to consider Mr Abbott's proposal and show your support and respect for World Heritage.**





## Protect Outstanding Values

Tasmania's World Heritage Area was extended because its forests and landscapes contained values deemed worthy of the highest level of global protection. It remains the only World Heritage site in the world that meets 7 out of the 10 criteria for World Heritage listing.

### Tassie's World Heritage forests contain:

The tallest hardwood trees in the world – up to 100m tall.

A landscape of important aboriginal heritage dating back tens of thousands of years.

Habitat for threatened species like the Tasmanian Devil and the Tasmanian Wedge-tailed Eagle.

Spectacular cave systems and glacial landscapes carved during the last ice age.

**Axing World Heritage to allow logging opens up a new threat to Tasmania's forests and is an international embarrassment for Australia. It is a failure of the Abbott Government to respect our international obligations and it sets an atrocious precedent for World Heritage sites across the globe.**

**The World Heritage Committee will meet in Qatar from 15th to 25th June and will have to consider Mr Abbott's negative proposal.**

**Let's send a message that Tasmanians respect World Heritage and value our outstanding forests.**

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IMAGE: Rainforest in Butlers Gorge, proposed for delisting to be logged. | Rob Blakers

