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Hello

The ending of the live sheep export by sea has been handled extremely poorly. In a year where the season is biting so incredibly hard this is a low blow to producers, supporting industries and communities alike.

I don't need to tell you how this will affect me. What I do want to say is that the current climate in the industry is beyond blue trees. I see mainly young farmers such as myself and my peers struggling emotionally, financially and professionally. I worry about the future of agriculture if you keep creating a climate where we say it can't get any worse, yet months roll by and it is much worse. Do you want young farmers coming through?

I can fund my business until September.

I am a mother to a young girl in an isolated community without family support or childcare to access. I am unable access government money as I am connected to too much asset of which I have no claim to. Banks won't touch me.

Lucky I butchered some animals last week and we have food in the freezer and vegetables in the garden.

This is my reality, at least it's sunny amd warm. If we get rain grass might grow. But what of next season?

Thanks

Kerry