Submission for Senate Inquiry into

Native Vegetation Laws, Greenhouse Gas Abatement and Climate Change Measures

By the Senate Finance and Public Administration Committee

This submission has been prepared by Justin Parry.

As per the inquiry terms of reference this submission deals with the impact of the QLD native vegetation laws on my property.

(a) any diminution of land asset value and productivity as a result of such laws;

I own a small block and it is mostly remnant forest. Of the small white area I have, several years ago via a government grant I prepared approx. 1 ha and planted a small plantation of mixed species hardwood trees. I have not lodged a PMAV as at the time the cost of lodgement seemed to be excessive and unnecessary as this area was now a plantation and I was managing the balance of the white area.

To my surprise this plantation site is now mapped as regrowth only a few years after planting. What right will I have to harvest this plantation and continue with successive planting? I have attached RE maps.

(b) compensation arrangements to landholders resulting from the imposition of such laws;

While some property owners would require monetary compensation for locked up land, most landholders simply want the right to own their land and manage it using their commonsense without the goal posts constantly shifting in regard to legislation.

(c) the appropriateness of the method of calculation of asset value in the determination of compensation arrangements; and

Nil submission

(d) any other related matter.

What guarantee do landholders who do not have a PMAV have to harvest their plantation and what cost and effort will be required to prove that this area should still be mapped as non-remnant white?

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