

Hi Ted,

Please consider my submission points below re fire, land management and climate enquiry. Our climate change denier local member [REDACTED] mentioned your enquiry in our local rag.

1. The dinosaurs in the Lib/Nat party need to wake up to reality and the will of the vast majority of our citizens. And listen and act on the science.
2. Money must be restored (and increased) to National Parks and all emergency services.
3. 2. Above will allow increased burning off to reduce fuel loads (which is only part of the problem).
4. 3. Above must involve aboriginal input as they know this stuff better than the rest of us.
5. SERIOUS action needs to be taken to address climate change on all fronts (not just power generation).
6. The government needs to facilitate the phasing out of coal extraction whilst providing alternative jobs to those affected.
7. We need to get fair dinkum with the agricultural sector and limit land clearing, encourage soil carbon and water efficiency.
8. It's obvious that water intensity crops such as cotton, rice and now almonds, need restrictions except in our wetter regions.
9. You need to invest heavily in research and development into anything that will have a positive impact re climate change.
10. It would be good to protect the Great Barrier Reef too but your policies (or lack of) have led to major deterioration already.
11. You need to support our Pacific neighbours more and lobby the rest of the world to take more climate change action. To do that we need to set a decent example of taking action.

I'm just an old bloke who cares about his grandkids and their grandkids and I worry that our lack of action now will have a negative impact on the health and wellbeing of future generations. If I can see all this, why can't you people?

And */?k the surplus, there are more important things.

Yours Sincerely,
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