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Dear Research Director and Agriculture and Environment Committee

Give the average person a choice between eating and drinking on a daily basis or knowing that a lovely natural forest exists somewhere in Queensland and they're going to go with their daily food and water every single time.

As you know, our population is growing more quickly than anticipated; we reached 24 million people 17 years earlier than predicted just 16 years ago.

In the absence of a population cap we must keep adding more farmland and more water storages in order to feed and hydrate all these additional people.

All life on the planet follows the same basic pattern; grow or die: the static state that is often promoted by Green groups is nothing more than wishful thinking.

It is my understanding that [REDACTED] wrote to the Deputy Premier late last year with a list of their preferred amendments to our land-clearing legislation.

Regrettably, that coalition of Green activists offers no solution to increase our capacity to feed and hydrate our population: even they refuse to attempt to limit human numbers.

Reason, logic and history inform us that we must grow food and store water and plan to increase capacity for both: the proposed Green amendments ignore that reality.

It is well-known that the ALP requires Green preferences to retain many seats, however winding back the LNP's improvements to the land-clearing laws to pacify Green groups who just can't face the big questions is to the detriment of all Queenslanders and to our economy.

So, please, Research Director and committee members, I urge you to ignore the radical Green groups and their selective science and limited grasp of reality and to do so for the good of us all.

Nobody will thank you for food and water shortages – not even the Greens.

Yours Sincerely

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