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- Removes the ability to get a permit clear for so-called High Value Agriculture, and thus stop large-scale clearing of remnant woodlands.
- Restores protections for ecologically important regrowing woodlands ('High Value Regrowth') on freehold and Aboriginal land.
- Restores protections for trees next to riverbanks ('riparian areas') and extending provisions from some to all Great Barrier Reef catchments.
- Removes the 'oops' defense of claimed mistaken clearing, and restores the *starting* presumption that a landholder is responsible for clearing that takes place on their property.

• It makes much of the prospective legislation retrospective to 17 March, in an attempt to deter panic clearing and panic applications.- See more at: <u>https://www.wilderness.org.au/making-submission-queensland-land-clearing-reform-bill-0#sthash.dtfEf74h.dpuf</u>

I support reform for the reasons listed above.

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