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I write to make a submission to the Inquiry into the *Queensland Land Clearing Reform Bill*.

**I wish to express my strong support for this bill.**

The rapidity of current climate change is profound, We are already frequently seeing the effects on weather patterns, rainfall and temperature. We must act rapidly. Reduction of large scale land clearing is essential in Queensland and elsewhere.

Tree clearing results in the release of millions of tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>. CO<sub>2</sub> release must be curtailed to protect the ozone layer.

To consider the dramatic impact of climate change we need to look no further than the Great Barrier Reef. This precious natural wonder is seriously under threat from the effect of temperature change. While some things are out of control of Queenslanders Land Clearing is not!

There are many benefits of the *The Queensland Land Clearing Reform Bill*. It will remove the ability to get a permit clear for 'high value agriculture' - this will stop large-scale clearing of remaining woodlands. It will restore protections for important regrowing woodlands on freehold and Aboriginal land. Further it will restore protections for trees next to riverbanks and extending provisions from some to **all Great Barrier Reef catchments**. As I highlighted above protection for the Great barrier Reef Is a very important priority for the Queensland.

I strongly support the bill.

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