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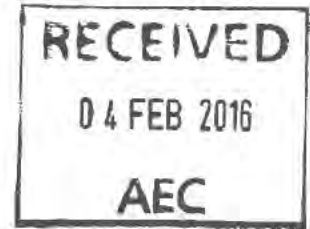
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The Research Director
Agriculture and Environment Committee
Parliament House
BRISBANE QLD 4000

Email: aec@parliament.qld.gov.au

Dear Mr Hansen

RE: Inquiry into Barrier Fences in Queensland

I refer to your letter dated 16 November 2015 inviting written submissions in relation to Barrier Fences in Queensland.

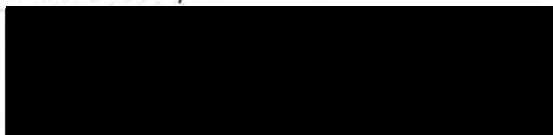
Quilpie Shire Council invests significant expenditure into the ongoing control of wild dogs across the Shire area. This financial year a budget of \$482,157 has been allocated for wild dog control and associated activities. The existing Wild Dog Barrier Fence extends across the Shire area and as such, a total of 4,776,929 hectares is located within the fence.

Together with the on ground works of the five (5) wild dog committees and Council's full time trapper, the barrier fence plays a pivotal role in efforts to maintain wild dog numbers across the area. Council believes that barrier fencing is the major control mechanism for wild dog management, and is looking to introduce additional fencing throughout the Shire in the longer term.

It is Council's view that management of the maintenance for the wild dog barrier fence be retained by the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (DAF). A coordinated management will ensure all areas of the fence are adequately maintained and will avoid the potential risk of poor maintenance in some areas which would impact on the overall effectiveness and integrity of the fence.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned on (07) 4656 0500 should you wish to discuss this matter further.

Yours faithfully



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