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To Whom It May Concern,

LGAQ Submission – Inquiry into Barrier Fences in Queensland

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input to the above inquiry. The matters listed in the terms of reference for the inquiry are of keen interest to local governments in the barrier fences 'catchments' as they are the sole investors the Darling Downs-Moreton Rabbit Fence and co-investors with the Department of Agriculture and Fisheries in the Wild Dog Barrier Fence.

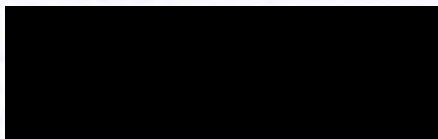
The LGAQ is aware that most councils within the catchment of one or both barrier fences will be making a submission. The Association is also aware that there are a diversity of views likely to be presented. These views are often formed by the local and regional circumstances and contexts within which the barrier fences operate.

In this context it was not appropriate for the LGAQ to attempt to derive a 'consensus' view on each of the matters.

The Association respectfully requests that the committee gives due consideration to the particular contexts and circumstances of each local government in reviewing their submissions to ensure a thorough understanding of the issues that are raised and how they may be resolved.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of this letter, please don't hesitate to contact Ms Dorean Erhart, Principal Advisor – Natural Assets, NRM & Climate Change via email: dorean_erhart@lgaq.asn.au or phone: 07 3000 2202.

Yours sincerely,



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