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Decisions for land use have a process for industries to provide the community the chance to make a submission and to have appeal rights if they disagree with the decision. Mining tenure should NOT be exempt from this basic standard. As a community member I strongly object to the limitation of community notification and formal objection to mining projects in Queensland. It is absolutely outrageous that we as a people of this state will not be able to question or object to mining by foreign owned companies on our land. As a people, and as my democratic right my objections, submissions could have contributing factors to save pristine underground water, reefs off the coast, etc. This is still a democratic country and I strongly object to decreasing judicial oversight, and increasing the powers of State Government ministers, and shutting our community participation. Allowing decreased judicial oversight, and increasing the powers of State Government ministers, and shutting our community participation will only lead to corruption of the governing processes, which will be detrimental to our land and people. No removal of land status should occur, as this is a right of the landholder. Listen to your constituents. We are people of life experience and want this great land to be of good use for generations to come, not sold out to the highest bidder for short term gain for overseas profit, and the profit of a few politicians.

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