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## SCL Policy Submission

There is evidence in this area that open cut mining causes subsidence (example Gordon Downs- used to be the largest organic farm in the Southern Hemisphere - and is now practically a wasteland )

Mining & exploration continues in The Golden Triangle, despite the fact that it has a history of being very very productive, and despite the promise of the QLD Govt's 'protection" of prime farming land, special considerations are being given weekly (example - Native Animal Refuge at Brimblebox, Springsure Creek, Organic farms at Capella)

Regarding the Springsure Creek Coal Project (just one example)

- It is not in an advanced state of development
- It is going to be a mining company which is not Australian owned, but was set up, listed on the ASX by a few wanting to line their pockets via the destruction and misery of others who supposedly 'own the land' and have made a living there for decades, and, might I add, have a genuine love of their farm.

Special consideration was given to Bandanna, as their final terms of reference were not submitted by the due date. Try paying your rego in QLD a day late!

It was always going to be an underground mine, so there was no 'concession' made by Bandanna (as the QLD Govt is espouting)

Personally, on our property, Bandanna Energy only drilled a single hole and decided there was coal. They have never returned in the past (aprox) 2 years to rehabilitate the drill site. Can they be trusted to rehabilitate? There is no 'science' to say they can successfully rehabilitate.

No Govt ministers have visited the proposed mine site, despite being invited on numerous occasions, so they have no idea what they are destroying.

The whole SCL Policy has to date been nothing but a joke! The Qld Govt is continually changing the barriers to suit themselves as each situation arises. Queenslanders, and landholders need certainty. There must be NO mining on SCL, organics and Animal Refuge areas, nor where there are endangered species (example Brimblebox). Once destroyed, it is permanently or for at least centuries.

Yours Faithfully, Sharon & Mike Wagner.

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