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Importance of grey nomads to the Queensland economy:

1. What economic contribution do grey nomads make to rural and regional areas of Queensland?
2. Are the available statistics on grey nomads in Queensland useful, current and accessible?

1 A very large Financial Contribution is made by Grey Nomads to all Areas they stay at. What we dont want is to be told by Councils we must stay in a Caravan Park when we have spent a considerable sum on a unit to be Self Contained. Who spends Money on something they dont need. If there is no rest area in a town we just Drive on & that Town misses out on our Hard Earned Dollars. That is the Whole Town misses out That is all the Businesses in the Town miss out because they tried to force us into a Caravan Park. The Dollars in our Pocket are ours and we only spend them when we can get value. 2 I am unaware of these statistics Please send me a copy

Infrastructure requirements:

3. What are the public infrastructure requirements of grey nomads including health services, waste disposal sites and signage?
4. Is the current infrastructure for grey nomads in Queensland adequate? What additional infrastructure is required?

3 Nothing Special just the normal services that are available in most Towns. We do require Basis Rest Areas with Water & a Dump Point. CMCA MotorHome Club have & are helping many Councils to install Dump Points. 4 Refer above

Government coordination:

5. What are the major issues relating to the regulation of Queensland's camping and caravan parks?

5 Refer above We do not use Caravan Parks We dont have to

Marketing and promotion:

6. What is the best method of marketing Queensland's rural and regional communities to grey nomad tourists?

6 Advertising in Caravan & MotorHome Books Road signs and if you are fair dinkum word of Mouth will take over

Utilisation of grey nomad skills in regional and rural Queensland:

7. How successful have existing programs been in utilising the skills of grey nomads in rural and regional Queensland?
8. What can the government do to encourage grey nomads to use their skills by undertaking work in rural and regional areas?

7 Other than Adds in our MotorHome Magazine I am not aware of any progames. 8 Advise of the financial benefits but also advise of the physiological benefits & personal Satisfaction of doing something good & helpful for someone. Most Grey Nomads are of the Old School and like do something good not necessarily for Money.

Comments:

Again I say Tell Councils to stop trying to FORCE us into Carcvan Parks WE Wont go and all the Businesses in the Tomn miss out because they are trying to protect the Caraavan Parks. Bowen is a clasic exanple Bowen for years has been an RV UNFRIENDLY TOWN we many RVs (Caravans MotorHomes etc) just DRIVE ON PAST. Its been gerenally understood that Councilors in Bowen Council owned Caravan Parks Looking after themselves but not the rest of the Businesses in the Town