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As a landholder in the Central Queensland region I have followed with interest the Galilee Basin SDA. I believe this SDA should be withdrawn from this area -

1. Negative impacts to landholders in the region and the impacts on agriculture generally. Can the SDA be amended at any time in the future? Are there requirements for an EIS?
2. Negative impact to Landholders businesses, and stressful situation regarding compulsory acquisitions.
3. Devaluation of Landholders land within SDA and adjacent areas.
4. Have local people been effectively consulted where the rail line would be best situated to minimise the impacts to land, environment, rivers, streams, flood plains?
5. The proponents of these projects are foreign owned companies and there are grave concerns that profits will flow off shore.
6. Government again bowing to Resource Companies pressure and the economics of these projects do not appear to have been properly assessed. Surely the advancement of private interests in the Galilee Basin is concerning and is a shift away from the public interest.
7. Agriculture for ever. Mining is a short term non renewable resource, once dug up is gone for ever.
8. Will agricultural products be able to be carried on the rail line or is it solely for the use of coal transport to the export port?
9. Has there been a proper cost benefit analysis undertaken for all the Galilee basin projects, and their impacts on agriculture lands and water?
10. This SDA appears to be designed to fast track the rail projects to boost invest certainty in the Galilee Basin coal projects but removes certainty for farmers and grazing and associated businesses in the area.

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