Submission Date 2013-03-29 04:28:31 Date 03-29-2013 I, as a Queensland primary strongly support the changes you have proposed with this producer, Bill. My production type is Grain & Cattle The land tenure on my property Freehold is I have Remnant Vegetation found Yes on my property I have High Value Regrowth Yes Vegetation found on my property Overly complex process to obtain a development My main issue/s with the current vegetation management application/permit for vegetation management framework is: The length of time taken to obtain a development approval/permit for vegetation management Overregulation of activities that are routine and essential to the management of my property (for example clearing for fence lines, firebreaks, roads, or infrastructure) Over-administration or administration of vegetation management by inexperienced departmental staff Atitude of some departmantal staff and refusal to aswer questions or explain decisions I could control invasive noxious weeds in an economical way If this Bill is passed it will mean the following for my property in terms of improved productive, environmental and/or social aspects: Full Name Robert Webb **Phone Number** Address E-mail

State Development, Infrastructure and Industry Committee Parliament House George Street BRISBANE QLD 4000

Date 04 / 09 / 2013 Month Day Year

Re: Vegetation Management Framework Amendment Bill 2013

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Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Queensland Parliament State Development, Infrastructure and Industry Committee's public consultation into the *Vegetation Management Framework Amendment Bill 2013* (hereafter 'the Bill').

As a primary producer the ability to manage vegetation on my property, without the burden of unnecessary red-tape, is vital to my future productivity and sustainability.

Working within the complex regulatory and administrative limitations of the *Vegetation Management Act 1999* for the last decade has limited development on my property, been time consuming and resource intensive, and has had unintended, negative environmental and social impacts.

The proposed changes in the Bill present a positive step forward for long-term sustainable land management that will enable our agricultural industry to prosper and to contribute to our economy.

This is about land management and my ability to produce food in a sustainable way without being hindered by red tape.

I, as a Queensland primary producer,

strongly support the changes you have proposed with this Bill.

support the changes you have proposed, however, have suggested some further recommendations with the Bill.

I have detailed a number recommendations below and how they will reduce red-

tape and regulatory burden, assist in the Queensland Government's vision to support agriculture as one of the four pillars of the economy and allow the maintenance and sustainable management of our native vegetation resources across the State.

Following is information about my enteprise which further supports my submission for changes to the vegetation management legislative framework in Queensland.

My grazing production type is

The land freehold tenure on my property is

I have Yes t Remnant Vegetation found on my property

I have High Yes Value Regrowth Vegetation found on my property

My main issue/s with the current vegetation management framework is:

☑ Overly complex process to obtain a development application/permit for vegetation management

 \mathbf{V} The length of time taken to obtain a development approval/permit for vegetation management

 \mathbf{M} The length of time to utilise a permit/development approval is too short (currently 5 years) and doesn't allow for long-term property planning

Incorrect mapping

 \mathbf{Q}^{t} Overregulation of activities that are routine and essential to the management of my property (for example clearing for fence lines, firebreaks, roads, or infrastructure)

 \mathbf{M} Over-administration or administration of vegetation management by inexperienced departmental staff

Other

If this Bill is passed it will mean the following for my property in terms of improved productive, environmental and/or social aspects:

overall better management and better production

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If I could propose further changes to the legislation these changes would include: