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I am writing to voice my disgust at the proposed changes to vegetation management laws.

Changes to fodder harvesting are unworkable. Harvesting often needs to take place in different areas at the same time and be very flexible. Dams can go dry and rotten very quickly and changes are often made on a daily basis. This happens admits of dying animals and any added threat or complicated red tape will take someone's life. A farmer or an official. Secondly these changes will achieve nothing. Mulga has been harvested in many areas over six times and continues to grow back bigger and thicker each time. Where is the problem with current laws.

Carbon farming is locking up areas of mulga on a voluntary basis providing income not reliant on rainfall that helps feed stock in drought. Taking this away from farmers is theft.

Restricting and complicating thinning and encroachment rules to the point of it not being viable will be the death of many farms. Thinning and controlling encroachment is part of routine management. Taking this away is theft of millions of dollars from farmers. If more trees are so important let carbon schemes provide alternative income to keep these farms viable. Don't steal from farmers.

These laws are so extreme they will undermine all confidence in government. They will cause excessive clearing now and again when the laws are changed yet again with a change of government. Please provide balanced workable laws. These are not them and won't last the test of time.

I am a fifth generation farmer of the mulgalands

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