VEGETATION MANAGEMENT AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMENDMENT BILL 2018 – SDNRAIDC REVIEW

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The author is an owner operator of a carbon farming business, with the primary resource of the business being 14000ha of Freehold fee simple (carbon) vegetation. The subject vegetation is owned by the author for the effective use and benefit of his family's livelihood. The subject carbon resource (vegetation) is the primary element of production within the author's business with livestock grazing being the means by which the carbon resource (vegetation) is harvested, that is, converted into an income stream in order to provide a livelihood to sustain the authors family.

The subject property is located in the Mulga Lands area. North West of Charleville.

STATEMENT

The Integrated Planning Act 1997 now Planning Act 2016 and the Vegetation Management Act 1999 in their application to Freehold fee simple Real Property are without doubt the greatest violation of property law ever bestowed upon the private land owners of Queensland.

The VEGETATION MANAGEMENT AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMMENDMENT BILL 2018 is clearly continuance of the same violation of justice that the Queensland Parliament is becoming famous for.

This Bill will destroy individual people. This Bill will destroy families. This Bill will destroy whole communities that subsist through the effective use and benefit of vegetation. People, families and communities that have, through sustainable subsistence, existed since European settlement.

The reports created to justify this Bill are no more than self-serving propaganda.

Of most concern to those ill-informed members of parliament that are entrusted with the obligation of deciding the fate of this Bill, should be the fact that the writers have acknowledged that this bill DOES NOT comply with the Legislative Standards Act 1992, clearly questioning the integrity of the Office of the Queensland Parliamentary Counsel. There is no lawfully justifiable excuse for any Bill to proceed when it is NON COMPLIANT with the LSA.

I repeat, there is absolutely NO excuse for NON COMPLIANCE.

As stated above, this Bill is an absolute violation of justice. For the sake of those families and communities in the Mulga Lands I particularly draw the committee's attention to clause 4: s190 amendment that removes the MANDATORY requirement for codes for fodder harvesting and replaces it with a DISCRETIONARY requirement. Essentially this amendment places the livelihoods of families and indeed entire communities at the whim of a single minister. I repeat, an absolute violation of justice.

I hereby reject this entire bill as it constitutes no less than an enormous violation of justice. A blatant attempt at legalising TRESPASS.

If the legislative assembly of Queensland do not uphold the rights of individuals by adherence to justice, they invite anarchy, for nothing breeds social disorder as quickly as the sense of injustice which is apt to be generated by the invasion of a person's rights, particularly when the invader is a government official.

A parliamentary committee with integrity will reject the VEGETATION MANAGEMENT AND OTHER LEGISLATION AMMENDMENT BILL 2018.

Sincerely

Dan McDonald