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Dear:

Committee Secretary

State Development , Natural Resources
and Agricultural Industry Development Committee

Parliament House

George Street

Brisbane Qld 4000

I Justin Alan Lough of 245 Anderleigh Rd Gunalda QLD would like the government to hear how the new Vegetation Laws will effect myself and my family.

We purchased just over a year ago Lot 1 Plan MCH 3652. We investigated current vegetation map which was over 90 percent white zone with a small blue area. We were purchasing the property to run cattle and would require to clear parts of the property to encourage growth of suitable grasses for cattle production. The proposed vegetation map sees over 90 percent of our property move to orange or C category which will not allow us to run cattle on our property and produce food for Australian families. At NO TIME WHERE WE NOTIFIED OR CONSULTED REGARDING THE CHANGES. Prior to the 8th of march we were selectively clearing land for the purpose of cattle grazing and had a two year plan of continuing to improve our pastures and had consulted soil tests etc. on how to improve the quality of our soil. All this now a waste as we will not be able to manage our land.

We paid good money for this property which will now not be worth anything as you cannot clear on the property and this renders the land useless to any primary producer. Why should we pay rates on land that we cannot manage? We will be severely impacted finically by this decision as our investment in land will be worthless and our future of producing food for Australians is in Jeopardy.

Australian producers look after their land as they want to be sustainable and pass their land on to future generations who will produce food for Australians to eat. Why does the government not listen to Rural QLD and impose red tape that sees people leave the land as no one supports them. This decision will also severely effect farmers mental health as yet another blow to their ability to produce an income and support their families off the land. I will ensure I never vote Labour if this legislation is passed and farm owners will seek damages and continue to campaign as to why we should pay rates on lad that we cannot use.

I HOPE THE VOICES OF RURAL QLD ARE HEARD!

Kind Regards,

Justin Lough

