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RE - Submissions must include the author's name and at least two of the following:

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Please note below:

- Inadequate timeframes for people to provide considered submissions
- We support Agforce investigations and concerns about the continual political games in vegetation regulation from both sides of the fence
- We call for a hold on any further vegetation management regulatory measures until government demonstrates that an independent administering authority manages the system
- We have not carried out any significant vegetation management since 1986 but have to manage vegetation changes very soon (growth over last few years) shortly and the system's logic confuses me (we can provide examples from issues across our property as we have pretty much all categories of vegetation mapped together with some X country)
- What the vegetation management regulatory system says to me is we don't trust at least some of the QLD agriculture and we can implement an across the board system to manage vegetation
- Maybe an independent authority needs to manage us as an Environmentally Relevant Activity on an ownership basis - you just can't do it on broad brush for all system (but if the current system for waste management, eg. inadequate consultation and ERA auditing and another go at waste levies which have contributed to the current recycling debacle across Australia is any example that would fail as well)
- Am concerned for agricultural people's mental health when continually jumping at shadows to address red tape.....

Background:

- We try to produce (mainly cattle now) from an 1800 ha family "hobby farm" (owned 100+ years) north of Amby and situated on either side of the Amby creek
- Hobby Farm because we have worked in the city for last 20 years as have not been able to support a family from the property income
- Have worked in EPA (resigned 2002) and the waste industry since (and am also concerned with the regulation system failings across QLD)

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We are still trying to be optimists but god it's hard.

thanks

Murray and Jennifer Allan