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In relation to the proposed changes to the vegetation bill, I as a grazier and landholder know that such changes would be detrimental to not only our business, our family, our children's future and our community. Stopping development and maintenance of our land will cause our primary production to decline as well as negatively effect our land values.

Living and working in western Queensland all of my life, I have seen first hand country that hasn't been maintained as well as country that has. It is clear that such changes to the vegetation bill will cause our land to rapidly decline if regrowth unable to be controlled.

Such changes will have a flow on effect to our local communities. Businesses spend money locally as well as their employees and their families. As business struggle, townships will directly feel the impact.

More on the ground consultation needs to be had with landholders to allow the current government as well as the organisations they gather their data from to have an understanding of what actually happens 'out west'.

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