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To Whom it may concern

I am writing to express my concerns about the new vegetation laws. These new laws will effect every landowner in south west QLD who relies on mulga to feed their stock during a drought. It will also effect all the small towns in south western QLD who rely on agriculture to keep their businesses going. Every business in our local town relies on agriculture to support their businesses.

In a drought we completely rely on Mulga to feed and keep our stock alive. Its not economically viable to buy hay, grain ect to feed live stock in a drought.

Graziers have been using Mulga to feed stock in droughts since the land was first used for grazing. And Mulga is thicker now than when white man first settled in the mulga lands. So its obvious that graziers have not depleted the Mulga supplies one bit.

If you don't clear and manage Mulga is becomes that thick that the grass wont grow underneath the thick canopy. This makes its usless for grazing livestock and native animals.

Once Mulga has been pulled by bull dozers or burnt by fire is regenerates thicker than ever and grows incredibly fast. Graziers in the Mulga lands completely rely on Mulga to survive in south western QLD so its vital that we are able to keep using it to feed our live stock in a drought.

The only way graziers survive financially in a drought in the mulga country is by being able to use mulga to feed their stock. The mulga country is notoriously dry and has a considerably lower rainfall than the rest of QLD so its vital for graziers in south west QLD to be able to keep being aloud to pull mulga to feed our livestock. We wouldn't survive out here financially if we were not aloud to pull Mulga.

All the legal mumbo jumbo is getting more and more confusing and is very stressful on graziers who are already working huge hours 7 days a week to look after their livestock in this current drought.

Some graziers just cant afford all the technical soft ware that is needed for what the government is asking.

Graziers have been using Mulga to feed livestock and managing the Mulga lands since it was first being grazed and know how to look after this type of country far better than any politician so please listen to us.

Regards

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