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To: <u>SDNRAIDC</u>

Subject: Submission on the Vegetation Management and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018

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To: Queensland Parliamentary Committee Members

Dear Committee members.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on the Vegetation Management and Other Legislation Amendment Bill 2018.

Queensland's economic future, and future employment lie in tourism and ecotourism, and NOT in marginal farming based on extensive land-clearing and destruction of native species, forests and the Great Barrier Reef. 1 job for a bulldozer driver today will probably translate into thousands of jobs lost in the future, and for decades.

Please do your utmost to end the shameful destruction that followed from the Newman government's insane changes to land-clearing laws. A Queensland with a destroyed reef, regular catastrophes due to climate change and no koalas because of present day greed, will be a vastly poorer and miserable place to live.

Land clearing is just madness for such marginal, short term gain. Please ensure it is really really justified from here on in.

Regards,

- Richard Ranson