To Whom it May Concern

Submission re EPBC Act Amendment Bill

How can the Federal Government give power to this irresponsible Queensland Government?

In view of the fact of the Queensland Government's announcement that it has

- dismantled all carbon abatement and climate change; schemes;
- withdrawn support for the solar Dawn Solar Research and Power Plant all of which will have devastating effects on our natural environment,
- cut EDO funding
- proposed changes to the management of national parks that would open them up to tourism, allowing more access for 4WDs, horses and bikes in some areas.
- prioritised development in the Great Barrier Reef area,

and will

- roll back the Wild Rivers legislation;
- remove SEQ's urban footprint so that it can spread even further and destroy more koala habitat and biodiversity;

this is unconscionable.

As a guardian for the whole of Australia the Federal Government should want to have the power to protect our natural environment otherwise we are going back to the days before Federation, and the lack of unity and overall approach for our nation.

There is nothing more important that our natural environment. It keeps us all alive, and there really isn't any excuse for putting economic concerns before our life blood. How dare we use up and destroy resources that should be here for future generations. It will be hard, but having personally tried to be sustainable in the country, when there is no help from society I know just how hard it can be.

Take courage Federal Government and stand up for what is right, not what is opportune.

Yours faithfully,

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