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Native Vegetation Regulation Review
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Dear Sir / Madam,

I welcome the opportunity to comment on the Native Vegetation Regulation Review. It is my humble opinion that the Native Vegetation Act be kept and regulations strengthened and enhanced to protect native vegetation. I understand that some people want the freedom to do whatever they want with the land they see as legally theirs. However I would like to point out that human life is brief and every school child is taught the importance of the web of life and its fragility. Life on this planet is intertwined and the importance of biodiversity has been recognised across the world. I might also point out that the fact that human activity contributes to global warming, which is now accepted as a scientific reality that we simply cannot hide our head in the sand from anymore. As such we live in a world where people with knowledge and wisdom must help regulate activities on private land, sometimes despite the wishes of the landholder. Often there are alternative solutions to activities such as land clearing and all that is needed is a little education. Certainly the maintenance of wildlife corridors and the preservation of endangered flora and fauna must be a priority for all Australians at this time. To my knowledge, currently Australia is one of the worst offenders globally as regards extinction of

flora and fauna and in order to reverse this trend a tighter Native Vegetation Act will be required because landholders have already proved themselves to be irresponsible with what is theirs for only a brief period in time.

Yours Sincerely,
Paul Hayes