

Dear Senators

Please note on the 28-4-2010 I will be 76 years old and I do not receive a pension, I work to survive and in return I do expect to be left alone without government interference. Over the past fifty years I have established a stand of hardwood timber for diversifying income. And as good timber is very necessary if people are ever to get houses.

① When trees become old or stressed by drought or over population, the white ants then attack them and as I am aware white ants produce methane gases.

② The regulation of restricting cultivation of new ground is only destroying existing cultivation by over use and in turn destroys the structure of the soil.

③ Asking private property owners to carry the burden of tree coves without compensation is discrimination in the highest degree.

④ Anyone must realise there is a capital cost to owning property, as there are on going costs such as interest, council, rates, stock rates, fencing, noxious weed and feral animal control costs, the latter being rampant in national parks.

now it is too much to expect farmers to carry themselves and the government as well

Yours sincerely