

I am involved in an industry that has the potential to help our environment greatly.

Industrial hemp growing is a crop that can be grown in Australia, in WA , Tasmania and Queensland and in NSW they are changing legislation to allow cultivation.

Bast crops are highly efficient mop crop and can use most types of waist water even slightly brackish water. Between 1.7 and 1.9 tonnes of carbon dioxide is absorbed from the atmosphere for each tonnes of bast crop cellulose produced. A typical hemp crop of 10-14 tonnes of straw per Ha, and another 2-3 tonnes stored in the root material. So each Ha of hemp could sequent 22 tonnes of greenhouse gas. Hemp is better at this than trees in 150 day crop rotation and it will leave the land available for other food crops. In Ireland they are also finding that cereal crops after hemp yield 15% to 20% more yield. Hemp can produce more pulp for paper than trees. Hemp can produce more fiber than a cotton crop and use less water in the process. Hemp as a food source is far superior than most crops in the world for its nutrient value for the body.

This is a crop that must be helped by governments to get established to help our environment.

Attached is some facts about hemp.

Regards Colin

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DID YOU KNOW?

Hemp used to be legal tender in the USA, you pay taxes with it.
Hemp is over-all the strongest, most durable natural fibre in the planet.
Hemp cloth provides up to three times more UV protection than other natural materials.
Hemp is the only known annually renewable natural resource.
Hemp is the first plant known to have been cultivated by man.
Hemp has the potential to provide over 25,000 different industries.
Hemp needs no chemicals to grow; synthetic fibres produce so much toxic waste.
Hemp was once the best crop for farmers' land, then it was banned.
Hempseeds contain the most Essential Fatty Acids in the planet kingdom.
Hemp's uses to Mankind have been traced back to 8,000 BC.
Hemp produces up to four times as much pulp per acre than our forests.
Hemp was used by the Chinese to make the first printed book in 700AD.
Hemp was known as "canefas" which led to the English word canvas.
Hemp cellulose is used to make biodegradable plastic.
Hemp was used to make the first Levis Jeans.
Hemp's medicinal values were known and used by nearly all our ancestors.
Hemp was banned by corrupt officials and politicians.
Hemp is a practical solution to our countries serious salinity problems.
Hemp is a friend to most insects and rarely needs pesticides.
Hemp provides one of the easiest agricultural Feedstocks to use.
Hemp was authorised to be grown on nearly one million acres in U.S.A. in the 1940.
Hemp fibre is used for thread, rope nets, paper, lace, clothing, linens, canvas, chipboard etc.
Hemp pulp is used for paper, construction materials, biofuel, methanol etc.
Hempseed is used for nutritional edible oils, paints, sealants etc.
Hemp can be used to make nearly everything around you that isn't glass or steel.
Hempseed is tasty and nutritious in cereals, cakes, foodbar, cheeses, hempburgers, beer etc.
Hemp gives us chipboard that is three times stronger, yet lighter than our poor trees are able to.
Hemp pulp is chemically related to petroleum, it's just nowhere near as dirty.

