

# Submission to the Garnaut Climate Change review

Do not muck it up, take action NOW.

This opportunity is our chance to take inter-generational actions that will write history.

Climate change or not, actions taken NOW will have a POSITIVE outcome.

No good endlessly debating whether or not it is climate change or natural climate cycle, the fact is; human activities have an impact on global climate patterns.

I am really concerned about these changes and the impact it will have on the quality of life on earth.

A changing climate is dramatically affecting temperatures and weather patterns in Australia and over the world. It is clear that we must act NOW.

I want to draw your attention to the crucial role native vegetation plays in mitigating climate change, in particular the important role native forests play as huge carbon stores and how this has been underestimated in the past ("Green Carbon: The role of ecosystems (natural forests) in carbon storage and the climate change problem" Prof. Brendan Mackey, Dr Heather Keith & Dr. Sandy Berry, Australian National University, November 2007). The report is highlighting the urgent need to protect all remaining native vegetation to help reduce the impact and severity of a changing climate.

I urge you to consider the cost effectiveness of protecting all remaining native forests, bushlands, savannas and grasslands, and the positive impact this will have for climate, water, wildlife and our future.

I urge you to invest in the proper management of all remaining native vegetation communities to help reduce the impact of a changing climate on flora and fauna for the good of future generations.

I urge you to provide strong support to help develop clean energy alternatives that are truly sustainable and do not have any negative environmental impacts.

I look forward to your response on this matter.

With kind regards



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