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NATIVE VEGETATION CLEARING  
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\*1 . Would a strategic approach to clearing, through a strategic purpose permit, benefit you?\*

Response: unsure  
Comments:

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\*2. Is the 'purpose component' reasonable to apply considering the added complexity of assessing this type of clearing permit?\*

Response: unsure  
Comments:

\*3. Is the proposed fee structure fair and does it adequately reflect differences in the financial capacity of clearing permit applicants?\*

Response: unsure  
Comments:

\*4. What is the likely impact on your business or industry of the proposed clearing fee structure?\*

Comments:

At the present moment our property is fully cleared here in Carnarvon WA

\*5. Additional comments regarding Native Vegetation Clearing not addressed in the questions above.\*

Comments:

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WATER  
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\*6. Do you consider it reasonable for taxpayers to pay 100 per cent of the cost of assessing water licence and permit applications and if so, why?\*

Response: yes

Comments:

Tax payers pay 100% for road usage so why not for this also.

\*7. If water licence and permit assessment fees were introduced, what do you consider to be an appropriate fee for a water licence or permit application?\*

Comments:

I believe it should be charged a rate of so much a kL for allocation status regardless of the amount. If it is 50,000kL or 500,000kL used, it shouldn't be rated on allocation status like shown in your risk-based model.

\*8. Would you consider a risk-based model for determining water licence and permit application fees to be appropriate? If not, what basis could the department use to structure fees?\*

Response: no

Comments:

If you have an allocation it shouldn't matter the risk should be determined on application.

\*9. What would be the likely impact on your business or industry if water licence and permit fees were introduced?\*

Comments:

as a small business we are having to absorb all these extra costs which can't be factored into our price of produce sales as we are price takers not price makers.

\*10. If water licence and permit assessment fees were introduced, how could the collection of fees be timed to better support your business or industry?

For example, would you benefit from paying fees up front, at the end of a licence assessment or annualised over the term of the licence?\*

Response: annual

Comments

Prefer not to have to pay any fees at all

\*11 . Additional comments regarding Water licences and permits not addressed in the questions above.\*

Comments:

If the government can't absorb \$14000000 cost respectively they may be in worse condition than they are letting on, as the new water licence & permit suggestion, risk based model is grossly unfair. As we said previously it should be based on volume allocated , because it is unfair for the small water user(allocation) when compared to a larger allocation. for example 50,001-500000kL are expected to pay the same rate, which is unfair as this means once again the small irrigator is paying more than the larger irrigator ,which is easy for them to absorb these costs.