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Mr Neil Laurie  
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*Neil,*  
Dear Mr Laurie,

Thank you for your email of 26 May 2025 regarding the petition as tabled in the Queensland Legislative Assembly on 23 May 2025 (4239-25) - *A call for transparency and accountability from those who manage our publicly owned Native Forests and Biodiversity.*

The Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation is the landowner of areas reserved as State forest tenure, and the Department of Primary Industries (DPI) manages the allocation and sale of State-owned forest products—including the selective harvesting of commercial native timber—on these and other public lands.

The policy setting and regulatory framework that applies to the selective harvesting of State-owned native timber in Queensland is different to the framework that applies in other jurisdictions. Accordingly, the same documents in other jurisdictions are not necessarily comparable.

Selective native timber harvesting in Queensland's State forests must meet the requirements of the "Code of Practice for Native Forest Timber Production on Queensland's State Forest Estate 2020" (the Code), the *Nature Conservation Act 1992*, *Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act 2003*, and the Federal Government's *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999*.

The Queensland Government publishes extensive information about the selective harvesting of State-owned native timber. A link to its latest audit summary report, is available at: [www.dpi.qld.gov.au/business-priorities/forestry/state-native/certification](http://www.dpi.qld.gov.au/business-priorities/forestry/state-native/certification).

State-owned commercial timber is mapped according to a series of management unit identifiers (MUIDs), and a spatial layer of these is available at <https://qldglobe.information.qld.gov.au/>.

I thank the petitioners for bringing their concerns to the attention of the House.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'T. Perrett', written in a cursive style.

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