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Dear Cheryl Samuels,

I write this submission with some concern as to why farming west of the Ranges of New South Wales has any bearing on climate change at all. There are around 21 Million people live in Australia and two thirds of those live within 40 ks of the east coast.

The very stuff that the so called climate change scientist say that we have too much of is the very stuff that the farming community need to grow our crops & our feed to feed our stock, and feed the people in this country and the rest of the world.

I am very sure that if too much more pressure is brought to bear on farmers, with drought, lack of water, high cost of inputs and low prices for what we produce. The entire food production in this country will collapse and starvation will happen. Most of the farming Community is on its knees now with no return. The average age of a farmer is 60. In ten years time who will produce food? By then there will be another million people here as well.

I'm 65 next birthday in a couple of months time. I have lived in the bush all my life. Shore sheep all over New South Wales for 37 years and farmed country for 50 years as well. I have never seen a dead creek or a dead river and have never been able to find any one who could explain to me what one looks like. Seventy percent of the earth surface is water and there is no shortage of the stuff only in Australia and that is only caused by incompetence by labor governments of the past and present. There have been no new dams built in the last 40 years and the population has grown by 6 or 7 million. It has taken 50 years to turn water into a trading commodity and it has never been written into our State or Federal Governments Constitutions. No one owns water. Governments don't own the dams, the people do.

The climate change argument has been ever so slowly gathering momentum for the last 15 years and is now at fever pitch. Will the world end tomorrow or the next day? It is time to step back. Take out the truth and separate the lies and give the people a say in a Constitution referendum. Our state Constitution was written and voted on by the people in 1860 or thereabouts and in the past 50 years much legislation has been past by both state and Federal governments outside our old constitution which is a violation of peoples rights and you could call it treason against the people.

The biggest curse in this country today is not global warming or the lack of water, but it is drugs. There is a dealer on every street corner, in every town, village & suburb in Australia. So much so that it is said that 50% of all Australians are now drug users and that means 50% of all our best educated people. Also our governments and our Courts are included in that 50% and nothing is done about it. It just seems that eventually all will indulge in it and I feel that if we attacked the drug situation in our country and cleaned them out of our schools and our universities maybe most of the crap would go away.

If this submission needs more than let me know please.

Harry Houghton.