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Dear Committee Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a plea for governmental action to protect our ecosystem in Victoria from further decline and implore efforts to restore our environment as far as possible.

As a member of the public, I am very concerned with the increasing impact of climate change, land-use practices, and their consequences in relation to environmental degradation resulting in the devastation of our natural flora and fauna. Species extinction is accelerating at an alarming rate. The "web of life" is complex and intricately interconnected. Our future health and well being as individuals and communities depends on protecting our environment and slowing climate change.

I know there will be many specialist submissions presenting evidence-based accounts of the deleterious effects of climate change, contributing factors and credible solutions to the problems concerning our environmental decline in Victoria. I urge that these submissions be used to formulate sound policy changes.

It is my hope that this inquiry leads to strong, decisive and multi-pronged action to protect and restore our environment for future generations. As has been said, "We do not inherit the Earth from our ancestors, we borrow it from our children".

Thank you for your efforts in making our world a better place.

Yours sincerely,

Phoebe Burfield