

Subject: Proposed compulsory acquisition of the Triabunna woodchip mill

To whom it may concern,

My name is Laura Smith. I am one of eight shareholders of the Spring Bay Group Pty Ltd, who earlier this year purchased property on Slipway Road Triabunna. We are in the early stages of establishing an aquaculture research and development business at this property to support Tasmania's growing finfish and shellfish industries.

I write to you because of my increasing concern with the prospect of a compulsory acquisition of land by the government at the site of the Triabunna wood chip mill.

The new plans for the Spring Bay mill site have enormous potential to give the area a much-needed boost in both the economy and the energy of the town. The changes proposed for Triabunna were certainly part of the reason why I was excited to invest in the area.

The compulsory acquisition of the site would undoubtedly impact confidence in the area to the detriment of the town. The message a compulsory acquisition sends to potential investors is one that Triabunna (and, more broadly, Tasmania) should be striving to quash, not promote. I would urge the government to think very carefully about the impact a compulsory acquisition would have on the area, particularly in relation to attracting future investors.

Sincerely,

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Laura Smith