## Coal Mine Threatens Nature Refuge

Many of Queensland's valuable conservation reserves have no protection against mining interests! For more information and to sign the petition to demand protection of these special places, go to <u>www.bimblebox.org</u>.

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In Queensland there are areas rich in biodiversity and serving as crucial carbon stores being sacrificed to produce more climatechanging coal.

One 8000 hectare property in the central-west was saved from landclearing with the assistance of National Reserve System funding and deemed worthy of a perpetual Nature Refuge Agreement 'to permanently protect the land's ecological values'. This property is a test case for sustainable grazing and the site of many on-going research projects relevant to the entire bioregion, which are run with the assistance of numerous volunteers. Now with coal discovered under the soil it is in line to be dug up for a coal mine.