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Government requested inputs and viewpoints on non-forestry M.I.S. schemes

In attempts to avoid worn cliché's concerning the M.I.S. phenomena in Australia, I best relate one man's reaction when explained how M.I.S. schemes disadvantaged genuine farmer, competitive edge, Ronald Reagan did not hesitate to dis-member the short history and stopped all managed investment schemes in 1986.

Moving to Tasmania in '79 to pioneer wine, I had hoped E.F. Schumacher's, "small is beautiful" would sustain here. Nope! It's get big, get bigger, get biggest or get out.

M.I.S. schemes in viticulture and horticulture have performed here as Reagan thought they would have done there. The cat's too big now to sweep off the mantle. For all the rhetoric of government support for small business, we're just pests and they're slowly ratcheting us to non-backbone status.

The schemes work well with other segments govt. has little control over, I.E. Coles/woolies. Jobs depreciated, due to scale of economics.

Where govt. can do little to control the hurricanes of big business sizing up larger and larger, Those same, bigger and bigger monopolizing and rationalizing behemoth businesses do a fine job of manipulating and controlling the multiple, minton consumer. In Tasmania, it's becoming no exception.

Corp. and Govt. greed aligned with Glob. warming are working hand in hand to see who can whack our planet best and first. Osama bin Laden, as a distant third, is not in the race.

A nationally famous scheme down the Tamar river has a forestry mega-corp. building a mega-chemical pulp mill on it's own m.i.s. mega-vineyard front yard! It's too weird to fathom when you look at it sideways. The wine schemes are now imploding. the glut, the drought, the overladen, tax-advantaged band wagon have put the shivers up us all.

Laizes faire the lot. Get the gumption to drop the bullet and let it be known, nuff's a nuff.

Sincerely Yours,

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