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Local govts urged to stop developers

The Toowoomba and Region Environment Council (TREC) has called on all local governments in southern Queensland to stop developers clearing significant vegetation in urban areas.

TREC says there are steps being taken to tighten the Vegetation Management Act in this region but it is up to local government if endangered eco-systems are to be properly protected.

Council spokesperson Bruce Boyes says a decision by Toowoomba City Council tonight is vital in the battle because if a subdivision is approved on the corner of Spring and McKenzie streets it will prompt developers to risk clearing.

The land has been zoned an endangered eco-system but trees have since been cleared, placing the environmental significance of the area in doubt.

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