

Public Administration Committee

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To: Public Administration Committee
Subject: SUBMISSION TO - Inquiry into Benefits of Recreational Hunting on Public Lands in WA

Inquiry: HUNTERS CAN REDUCE FERALS on Public Lands WA - Lauren Mesiti

Lauren Mesiti,
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RE: Inquiry into Benefits of Recreational Hunting on Public Lands in WA

Dear Ms Mesiti

I am very pleased that WA Conservation Hunters can now voice concerns arising from past experience, to the Committee's Inquiry into the Benefits of Recreational Hunting on WA Public Lands.

From age 11 my culturally-normal job was hunting food for our outback family. I now strongly favor Hunting on Public Lands for the many and obvious Revenue, Societal and Health advantages.

As a retired WA farmer, I know from experience that Feral Pest Species do breed prolifically on Public Lands, and thence emerge to cause enormous economic and ecological loss in the bush.

As a retired WA farmer, I mourn the loss of the abundant wildlife we once enjoyed, - Native Fauna that millions of **Public-Lands-Bred** feral predators are destroying at a truly appalling rate.

Fortunately, under strict controls ensuring public safety, trained and certified hunters now have a history of proven-effective Feral Species Management on Public Lands in other Australian States.

Government Research confirms Public-Lands-Bred Feral Predators now kill Aussie Wildlife at the rate of millions per day.

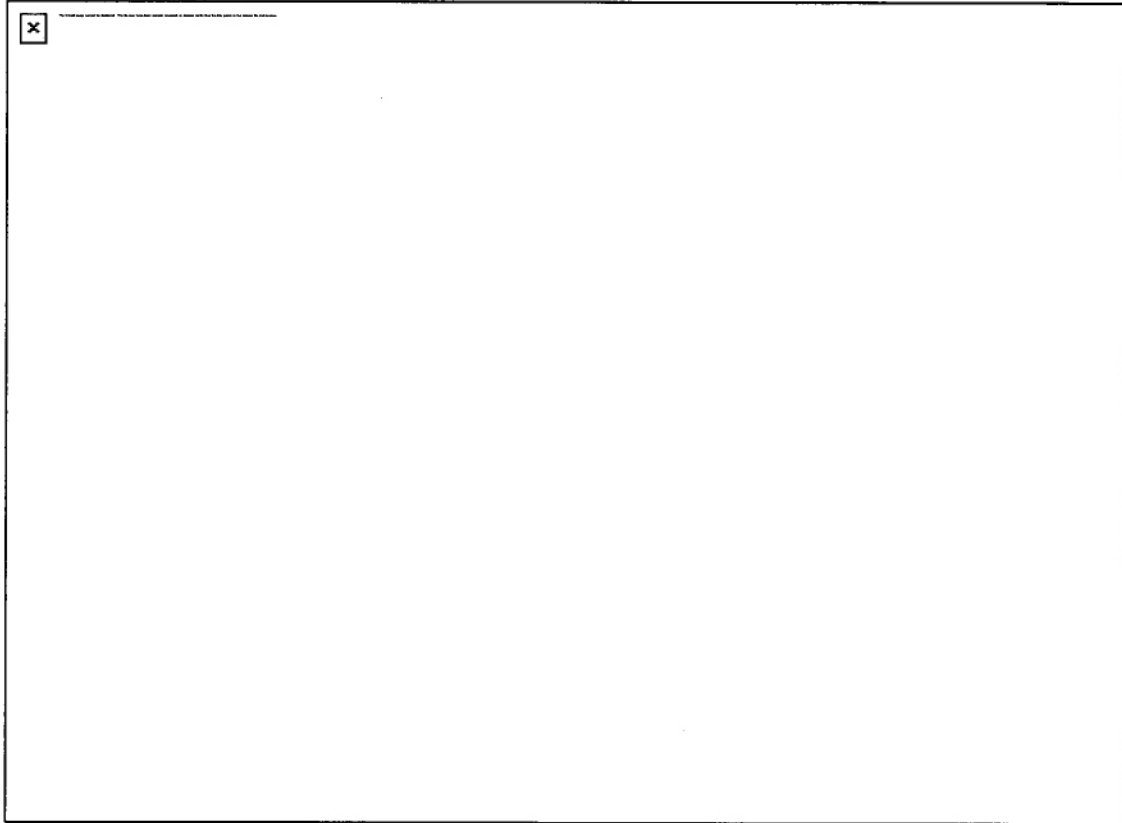


Australia's 12 million foxes kill little Auzzie natives at one kilo a week each.

<http://www.dpiw.tas.gov.au/inter.nsf/WebPages/LBUN-5K52J2#Diet>



Train to haul the twelve million kilos of wildlife killed per week by Public-Lands-Bred foxes in Australia.



Train to haul the 525 million wildlife that 15 million Public-Lands-Bred feral cats kill every week in Australia.

http://www.australianwildlife.org/images/file/WILD322361_Wildlife%20Matters_Summer%202012_13%20SP.pdf

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Respectfully submitted to Lauren Mesiti,

Committee Clerk, for

The Standing Committee on Public Administration,

by

Kevin Thomas,