

Public Administration Committee Legislative Council

Inquiry into the potential environmental contribution of recreational hunting systems.

To all the members conducting the inquiry.

Hon. Elizabeth (Liz) Lloyd Behjat MLC.

Hon. Darren Legh West MLC.

Hon. Nigel Charles Hallett MLC

Hon. Jacqui Ellen Boydell MLC

Hon. Amber-Jade Sanderson MLC

Hon. Ricky (Rick) John Mazza MLC

I refer to the Terms of References (b) (i)

"the Public Administration Committee inquire into the benefits or otherwise of a similar system being adopted in Western Australia and report back to the House by 4 December 2014"

I would be totally against any recreational shooting in State Forests in the South West. There are already enough people shooting in our forests now who do not have permission from the Government Departments that control these areas.

Some of the people release pigs into the forests illegally just to keep animals around to enable them to use their pig dogs to continue with their sport.

Also there are large areas of dieback quarantine but the hunters disregard the signs or destroy them by using them as target practice.

There are bike riders, bush walkers and the forestry and timber workers who could be in the area. This is a work place not a hunting ground for high powered rifles.

Yours faithfully

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