Public Administration Committee

From:

Bruce Hill

Sent:

Monday, 24 March 2014 11:38 AM

To:

Public Administration Committee

Subject:

Recreational hunting in WA

Dear Ms Mesiti,

I would like to make my views known to the Committee holding an inquiry into allowing recreational hunting in Western Australia.

As a WA rural resident and a SSAA member, I am strongly for the recreational hunting of animal game for human consumption or pest control on Public lands. This has been occurring in VIC and NSW for quite sometime with good safety records. The facts are that 7 years of Public Land Hunting in NSW have seen ZERO Deaths. The safety of hunting in Australia is excellent.

I support recreational shooting as a solution for management of introduced species in conjunction with other methods available. Shooting is recognized as the most humane method of animal destruction. (Poison takes hours and leave young to starve. Trapping leaves animal separated from herd/young until some one can turn up to shoot it. (See National Guidelines)

I also believe it would be of financial benefit to the WA Government in removing pests in particularly remote locations as the cost would be picked up by the recreational shooters.

Thank you for considering my submission.

Sincerely

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