

Public Administration Committee

From: Bradley Yates
Sent: Monday, 24 March 2014 7:29 AM
To: Public Administration Committee
Subject: Yes to shooting animals in WA

Dear Ms Mesiti,

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

As a WA resident, I am strongly agree to recreational hunting of any introduced feral pest animals.

I am agree to it because destruction of feral pests protects the environment for local fauna and reflects the values of our community in 2014 in assisting the future conservation.

Opening up WA to recreational shooting will lead to more money being spent in struggling communities. Appropriately qualified and insured shooters will ensure the most humane destruction possible of feral pests. There are no guarantees that animals will not suffer, but educated and qualified shooters will ensure they a dispatched as humanely as possible. Local wildlife will also be greatly protected as there environment is removed of feral introduced pests.

I also believe that WA public lands should be kept safe for all members of the community. Shooting on public land, should be done in a controlled manner so as not to affect other users from also enjoying the great outdoors.

Finally, I support recreational shooting as a 'solution' for 'management' of introduced species. It's backed up as an effective approach by scientific evidence.

There are not other, more humane and effective solutions available to address this issue. If population management of introduced species is necessary, it should be done professionally and humanely.

Most Western Australians enjoy the outdoors and nature, This is an opportunity for qualified shooters to take part in protecting and preserving the native fauna for future generations.

Thank you for considering my submission.

Sincerely,

Bradley Yates