

## Public Administration Committee

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**From:** Aaron Kay  
**Sent:** Monday, 24 March 2014 10:51 AM  
**To:** Public Administration Committee  
**Subject:** Conservation hunting on WA public land

Dear Ms Mesiti,

My name is Aaron Kay . I am currently living in the shire of chittering. I have lived here all my life and as a result have seen first hand the number of feral pigs, foxes , cats and goats grow steadily throughout the area. The main contributing factor is the Julimar national park and other public land in the area are breeding grounds and refuge for all of these pest species.

Government control measures are impeded by the extremely high costs associated with employing staff or contractors to implement effective feral poisoning, which is inhumane causing lingering painful death, trapping and shooting.

Compassion is a quality but please don't allow it to be misdirected and wasted by being too selective with your referencing as balance and education is the only way to true conservation.

I am currently studying a diploma in CONSERVATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT and I urge EVERYONE to research the damage that has been done to our precious native flora and fauna before making a decision. We have lost 40% of our native animals already, largely due to feral cats, foxes and habitat destruction. It has never been more important to take a different approach if we wish to keep the remaining 60%.

Sincerely,

Aaron Kay