

Public Administration Committee

From: Pamela Kemp
Sent: Monday, 24 March 2014 2:52 PM
To: Public Administration Committee
Subject: shooting on Public Lands

Dear Ms Mesiti,

I am totally in support of the shooting of feral animals - cats, foxes, pigs, deer, goats, camels, donkeys, horses in the State Forests and reserves of Western Australia

These exotic animals are not part of our natural environments and are detrimental to the native animal populations. Foxes and cats are especially destructive on the small mammals and birdlife.

The herbivores, with their hard hooves and with no natural predators breed out of control, with the resulting impact on plantlife and erosion of some sensitive marginal areas.

The South Australian government experience of feral animal control in the Flinder's Ranges, with the assistance of the local shooting fraternity, was positive.

Experienced licensed shooters can be a valuable asset in the control of feral animals

Sincerely,

Pamela Kemp