

Public Administration Committee

From: Garrett Cobby
Sent: Sunday, 23 March 2014 7:16 PM
To: Public Administration Committee
Subject: Conservation of native animal eg. Bandicoots & quolls

Dear Ms Mesiti,

I strongly support proper managed conservation hunting as I have always lived in rural Western Australia and know first hand the devastating effect introduced species have on native animals I have personally protected and watched a colony of Southern barred bandicoots thrive under my protection from foxes and Ferals cats over the last 7 years on one property from which I have removed 161 foxes and 15 cats. Regulated recreational conservation hunting is in my opinion more human and cost effective than current control methods eg. Baiting when done right and participants are trained. All recreational conservation hunters have a high code of ethics and a real understanding and appreciation for wildlife native and introduced and will always ensure human treatment of animals. Please feel free to contact me if you have any doubts about who is really looking after wild life in this country by the way it's the people on the land not a key board in their living room

Sincerely,

Garrett Cobby