

**INQUIRY INTO GAME AND FERAL ANIMAL LEGISLATION
AMENDMENT (CONSERVATION HUNTING) BILL 2025**

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Hi I will keep this short. I grew up in a hunting family overseas, while I didn't have much interest myself I understand most hunters care more about the environment than most. Hunters being used to keep feral animals populations under control is more humane than the current approach with regards to poisoning and other outdated practices. I fully support this bill and I 100% support the use of suppressors as a health and safety device with regards to hearing and also for the welfare of other wildlife. One has only to look overseas to see how these are 'normal'

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I think that this bill will be a great way to help the environment. With the incentives to hunt large numbers. I also support the use of suppresses. As I believe that will help keep hunters from getting hearing loss. Plus feel it will help with not disturbing native wildlife.

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Please support this Bill in its entirety as its just based on common-sense reforms and occupational health and safety and WHS standards. The date that we can't use PPE in the form of suppressors is backwards and the health impacts of hearing will accumulate in years to come with people claiming hearing losses and as well as multiple avenues of how the losses will carry into other aspects of work and life. As stated below Suppressors: • Reduce animal stress and suffering • Help maintain hearing health for hunters • Reduce noise pollution in rural and peri-urban areas • Are already widely and safely used in New Zealand, the UK, Europe, and the USA They are not a risk to public safety—they are a best-practice tool for humane wildlife management. It empowers community-based conservation, recognises cultural hunting traditions, and reduces reliance on expensive and often ineffective government control programs. It's about time Australia stops copying other countries after the fact and finally allow suppressors to be used and lead to other ways.

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I fully support this Bill and everything it stands for. Hunting in Australia Is a way of life for many people and it is needed to keep feral animal species at bay And to help our native species flourish.

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Feral animals are out of control now .nothing has been done for a long time pigs deer horses and camels are what you see when you go into a park all over Australia. You have to do something. Get the public to help with a responsible shooting program .

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I fully support permitting the conservation hunting on NSW crown lands and establishing the conservation hunting authority as proposed conservation hunting bill 2025. This will save the tax payer from paying to manage all conservation culling by allowing volunteer conservationists to assist as done with many other departments. The authorities must continue to ensure legitimately licensed firearm owners, who are in the vast majority law abiding citizens are not seen as a “risk” but rather valuable contributors to society by not only parliamentarians but those entrusted to implement the firearms regulations (NSW Police), and not apply their own departments interpretation when practically applying the legislation, specifically the granting of sound moderator permits even when the genuine reason given is permissible within the legislation they are overwhelmingly declined.

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This bill should be supported and passed as hunting is a important part of environmental action to protect our natural flora and forna

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As a member of a hunting association, an R license holder and a regular visitor to NSW, I cannot over state how important it is for all Australians to have the ability to contribute to the conservation of our native environment. The best chance we have to protect our native spaces is for people to have the opportunity to engage with it in a productive manner. Hunting to reduce pests, provide food and have a social interaction outside of the increasing use of technology is essential. The consideration for allowing suppressors is a huge step forward for the safety of shooters as hearing protection is a last line of defense when using equipment that has the potential to cause serious hearing damage. It also increased the effectiveness of pest control. I have never heard of suppressors being used in ANY crimes as they simply stop hearing loss, they don't make a rifle 'silent'. The only criticism is that this bill doesn't go far enough to allow access to national parks which limits the amount of good that conservation hunters can do for our most precious areas.

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To whom it may concern I've been hunting for over 25 years in that time I have taken many invasive species from foxes rabbits goats With the introduction of state forest hunting I have been able to harvest meat and in the process I have been able to provide a sustainable source of protein for me and my young family. Much appreciation goes to the politicians that were involved and lobbied that come together and opening up state forest hunting. It's extremely hard to access private property and conservation hunting provides me with the opportunities and mostly importantly it's provides an escape from the grind of working life and it's very much a way to recharge the mind body and soul. Just as a last thing when people say that the harvest report on the state forest hunting doesn't have the numbers of animals dispatched as they would like to see I just say that I personally don't fill it out correctly because I don't want everyone knowing I shot 3 deer and two foxes because then it will get too hard to book everyone will want to go to the same forest. But we are definitely doing our part in reducing the impact that introduced species make to the environment.

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As a law abiding citizen and a keen advice for conservation I support the motion to allow the recreational activities as described in the proposal. Importantly suppressor use helps protect hearing of individuals involved in the activities, allows safer ethical shooting to occur. This would align us with New Zealand and the United Kingdom who recognise the importance of suppressors in the shooting community.

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Australia has a significant threat from invasive species. These feral animals have a significant impact on native flora and fauna, agriculture and are a threat to human safety (eg- such as through causing motor vehicle accidents). Hunting is a suitable method for controlling invasive animals. Hunting is also an important recreational activity for many. Hunting also provides benefits to the economy, particularly for rural communities. Feral animals are spreading through private and public land, state forests, national parks and crown land. To assist in controlling invasive animals, recreational hunters need to have greater access to public land, crown land and national parks.

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I have read the bill and would like to offer my support in full. I live in QLD and currently hunt in NSW under the current R License system. In QLD we don't have access like this, this proposed bill will enhance our ability to control feral animals in NSW and assist in conservation efforts.

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I support the Hunting Bill as I am an avid hunter who helps remove feral pests legally and injects money in the economy in rural towns while on hunting trips.

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Dear Committee members, I wish to address the matter of suppressors. I have volunteered in coordinated wildlife management programs for over 15 years. I undertake exactly the same work as local council rangers and NPWS employees, yet am denied equivalent OHS protections, simply because I am not being paid. The prevailing attitude towards suppressors in NSW is at odds with some other Australian jurisdictions (e.g., the ACT), and with comparable countries (The UK, Canada and New Zealand). Indeed, Norway, Sweden, and Finland have recently deregulated suppressors, allowing them to be purchased without additional permits as long as the buyer legally owns a compatible firearm. There are no differences in crime statistics in jurisdictions with more relaxed attitudes towards suppressors in the hands of appropriately licensed private citizens. It is a fundamental principle of good regulation that risks must be real and not imagined. We have reached the point where the regulators recommending against the wider adoption of suppressors in NSW must be called upon to substantiate their position, citing evidence of misuse or a measurable reduction in public safety. I put it to the committee that such evidence does not exist, and therefore the availability of suppressors should be improved in appropriate circumstances.

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Dear Committee Members, I am writing to express my strong support for the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025. This Bill is a common-sense step forward that recognises the essential role of regulated hunting in managing invasive species, protecting native wildlife, and supporting cultural and recreational values across New South Wales. Key reasons I support this Bill: It creates the Conservation Hunting Authority, which will ensure hunting is carried out ethically and with conservation in mind. It formally acknowledges hunting as an important part of cultural heritage and recreation for many people in NSW. It provides controlled access to Crown land for licensed hunters to assist in pest control efforts, improving environmental outcomes. It permits the use of suppressors, a humane and effective method to reduce animal suffering and noise impact during pest management. It introduces a Conservation Hunting Licence, ensuring accountability and training for participants. It supports bounty schemes that reward the removal of damaging feral species. This Bill gives proper recognition to hunters who act responsibly and care deeply about the environment. It provides the tools and oversight needed to make sure hunting continues to benefit both the land and the communities that rely on it. I encourage the Committee to pass this legislation. It is a practical, science-based response to real problems affecting our ecosystems and rural areas. Thank you for your time and consideration. Sincerely,

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I fully support the conservation hunting bill, its the right direction to head with pest numbers going through the roof across Australia. There has not been one incident under the current hunting in state forests. I also support the use of suppressors on private property and in state forests and approved hunting areas for more humane kills and less disruption to my neighbours, there horses and stock, not to mention my own hearing. Thank you

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As a family member and friend of several primary producers, I find that recreational hunting is a great way to provide an organic protein to our families diet. While at the same time helping family and friends reduce the damage done by invasive pests. I also hunt in in state and national parks where permitted to take venison and other permitted animals. Where hunters are shooting deer in these areas they are mostly harvesting the meat and reducing carrion as opposed to aerial shooting that leave the carcasses causing an imbalance of wild dogs that cause more problems. My family and I have created many happy memories camping and exploring in this great past time. Thanks

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As a licenced firearms owner and resident in a rural area, I would like to put forward my support for the hunting bill and also make submission to keep in the specific clause involving legalisation of firearms suppressors. These are not just legal, but a requirement in many overseas areas for hunting. Using audio moderators or suppressors on firearms when hunting offers several positive points: Hearing Protection: Suppressors significantly reduce the noise level of a gunshot, helping to protect the hunter's hearing from long-term damage caused by repeated exposure to loud gunfire. Reduced Noise Pollution: Suppressors lower the sound impact on the surrounding environment, minimizing disturbance to wildlife and nearby residents, which can be especially important in areas close to human habitation. Improved Accuracy: The reduced recoil and muzzle blast from a suppressor can help hunters maintain better focus and control, potentially improving shot accuracy and follow-up shots. Enhanced Stealth: Quieter shots make it less likely to spook game animals, allowing for a more discreet hunting experience and potentially increasing success rates, especially when hunting skittish species. Ethical Hunting: By reducing noise, suppressors can minimize stress on non-target animals in the area, contributing to more ethical hunting practices. Communication: Lower noise levels make it easier for hunters to communicate with each other in the field without relying on hearing protection that might block important environmental sounds. Thank you for the opportunity to put forward a view on this matter.

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I hold a firearms licence and a Restricted permit which allows me to hunt in NSW State Forests. I am committed to using my firearms and hunting skills to assist in the control of feral animals on private and public property where I have permission to do so. It would be detrimental to the control of feral animals to further restrict the activities of reliable, law abiding citizens with the above mentioned skills and requirements to carry out hunting on public land. This safe practice of hunting, compared to many other activities carried out on public land, needs to be retained. I trust that all of the relevant facts are brought to the attention of Parliament prior to any decision being made on this Bill.

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To allow the use of suppressors for varmint and feral animal control, on property where non target species co-habitat, as well as small acreage properties where neighbours are on close proximity to hunting activities.

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suppressor use should be a critical part of feral animal control for the simple fact it protects the hearing of the shooter and is easier to dispatch the animals more humanely

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For the conservation of our fauna and flora for future generations and Australia, and who better to do it than the public where ever they hunt and shoot, which covers a much vaster area than a few contract shooters that cost the taxpayer millions of dollars each year, where you can have it done for free, by passionate hunters and shooters all over the state and if adopted by each state, Australia wide,

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I am strongly opposed to the Bill brought forward by Robert Borsak. I have had a background in shooting and am quite capably of using a firearm. I DO NOT wish to see an Australia where it is acceptable for those lacking empathy and respect for another species be given further scope to kill and maim. The Shooters Party has demonstrated very questionable ethics over the past two years - Robert Borsak having insinuated another member of Parliament could be "put on a spit" for the next Party BBQ. This member has also received death threats on Facebook for standing against it - are these the people who have been granted a firearms licence??? As a woman, the very last thing I want to see is violent people given free reign to perform further acts of violence. I say NO to committing acts of violence in National Parks. I say NO to increasing the risk of accidental shootings in these public spaces by cowboys with guns. I say NO to allowing hunting in NSW National Parks.

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I'm writing in strong support of the Conservation Hunting Bill 2025. As someone who has seen first-hand how feral animals like deer, pigs, and goats are damaging our landscapes—and how under-resourced pest control efforts often are—I believe this bill takes a practical and long-overdue step toward smarter land management. For too long, recreational hunters have been viewed as a problem rather than part of the solution. This bill recognises that regulated, conservation-focused hunting can play a role in reducing pest species, especially where government agencies struggle to reach. It also gives hunters clearer legal frameworks and encourages accountability through licencing and training. That's a good thing. The idea that valuing hunting means undermining conservation is outdated. Done right, they go hand in hand. This bill could help bridge the gap between landholders, hunters, and conservationists by giving us all a common purpose: healthier ecosystems, fewer ferals, and more respect for the land. I urge you to support the bill and ensure it passes with practical safeguards—not ideological roadblocks.

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I support the bill. The bill is sensible, and based on sound and practical wildlife management policy and procedures.

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I support the proposed bill

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I support the bill and support responsible hunting

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To able to shoot pigs 'goats' deer' and have a bounty on fox's on national parks and reserve too control numbers and not have it just reserve for hunters with a R license

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please DO NOT relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds!

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It's 2025, well time to become civilised. Time to leave savage brutality in the past. Let's move forward with compassion and live in harmony with the bounty nature provides.

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Tell the members of the shooters party to think of a better way to spend their time besides shooting animals for leisure. I know we are at the top of the food chain but this is just ego out of control.

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It is honestly baffling that we would even consider turning this land into a hunting ground. It is a needless endangerment to animals and humans. How the bill got this far at all is genuinely bizarre.

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To whom it may concern I strongly oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 on the following grounds: 1. Opening over 50,000 hectares of public land to recreational hunting with silencers significantly increases safety risks for bushwalkers, families and pets. 2. Bounty systems are widely discredited as an ineffective and inhumane control method, often leading to prolonged animal suffering and orphaned juveniles. 3.

The bill's framing of hunting as "conservation" is misleading, as genuine conservation relies on science-based, humane management techniques, which this bill does not promote. 4.

Establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing institutionalises support for hunting over other evidence-based wildlife management approaches. The idea of hunting with silencers and unrestricted shooting on these lands concerns me due to the increased risk it poses to visitors like me, families, and pets. I regularly use public lands for hiking and recreation. Public land must be safe for everyone and this bill undermines that safety. I ask the committee to prioritise public wellbeing and safety over recreational hunting. True conservation relies on science, habitat protection and humane wildlife management. This bill's approach of promoting hunting and bounties runs counter to internationally recognised best practices and risks damaging fragile ecosystems. Please reject this bill and invest in sustainable, ethical conservation programs. I urge the committee to reject this bill and instead invest in non-lethal, scientifically supported programs for wildlife and land management. Yours sincerely Name withheld

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How can you do this? Australians shouldn't have to make submissions to protect wildlife from hunters! Please join the 21st Century, and stop allowing killers to make life harder for our vulnerable wildlife! Aren't floods, bushfires and careless driving enough? We are part of the Paris Agreement - a rich nation that is supposed to be a good example to poorer one's. How is this a good example, example exactly??

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I strongly oppose this Bill. It promotes cruelty, risks public safety and falsely labels hunting as conservation. I support non-lethal and humane, science-based wildlife protection. We're supposed to be a civilised, first world country!

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Dear NSW Parliament, I oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 in the strongest possible terms. This is a very cruel Bill. We should be implementing measures to protect our precious wildlife, not promoting cruelty. Bounty systems are widely discredited as an ineffective and inhumane control method, often leading to prolonged animal suffering and orphaned juveniles. - This Bill creates an unsafe environment for bushwalkers, families and pets. Allowing recreational hunting with silencers on public land is unconscionable! - Saying the Bill is “conservation” is misleading, as genuine conservation relies on science-based, humane management techniques, which this bill does not promote. By establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing you are institutionalises support for hunting over other evidence-based wildlife management approaches. As someone who volunteers with animal welfare organisations, I strongly believe this Bill would increase unnecessary cruelty and put vulnerable wildlife at risk. I urge the committee to reject this legislation and support compassionate, evidence-based approaches that protect all animals Thank you

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I deeply oppose the shooters party being allowed to use public land to kill our native wildlife. I can't even believe I am writing to oppose this. We should be protecting our native species and animal not further destroying their habitat and killing them.

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This is a dangerous new bill that puts animals, public land and community safety at risk. It has nothing to do with genuine conservation. Australia has some of the most incredible wildlife and unique biodiversity in the world and all you want to do is destroy it by giving sick people more opportunities to have what they call fun. It's disgusting. This bill does nothing for conservation. You can't protect our native animals or our endangered native animals but you are happy to hand idiots more land to kill on. The land should be a place of safety and sanctuary, not a kill zone.

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This should not be allowed. We do not need more relaxed hunting and gun laws

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I am horrified to learn about this dangerous deal made with a party whose main objective is to allow & encourage violence. Australia is experiencing an epidemic of domestic violence & the answer is to allow people more weapons? This is unacceptable & disappointing after an election won by the promise of environmental protection. Please do right by Australians & deny this sickeningly corrupt bill.

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I strongly oppose this bill as it takes a large amount of land and makes it unsafe for recreational use by walkers and others using it for recreational users, including families with children. Shooters cannot be relied on to deliver clean kills. Often animals are left to die in agony! Worldwide this method of decreasing the population of pest animals is not supported! There are better ways. Having bounties would encourage non expert shooters potentially creating potential danger and acts of cruelty! The creation of a minister for this is like putting a fox in the hen house as you could not rely on having a completely impartial person without vested interest! Conservation cannot be achieved through this proposed bill, but danger and cruel death can!

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I am not a resident of NSW but fully support those opposing this bill. Around the world, there is a growing movement toward humane, science-based wildlife management that prioritises coexistence, fertility control, habitat restoration, and community engagement. These approaches reduce the need for lethal methods and focus on protecting ecosystems and animal welfare alike. I urge the committee to reject this bill, which promotes recreational killing and outdated bounty systems and instead invest in modern, ethical strategies that better serve animals, communities and the environment.

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This is far from progression as a society when we allow inhumane killing of animals that are free
It is a disgusting proposal and highly offensive to intelligent people with a moral conscience

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Enough of this savagery. The war on nature and the lust for blood is a disgusting and outdated pastime. Encouraging the disrespect of animals is not the sign of a civilised or just society. Blood sports, from dog fighting, fox hunting to shooting, are the same category, and it has to stop! End this violence against innocent creatures, stop disturbing their peace. I vote NO to.

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Snažno se protivim Zakonu o izmjenama i dopunama Zakona o divljači i divljim životinjama (lov radi očuvanja) iz 2025. iz sljedećih razloga: Otvaranje preko 50.000 hektara javnog zemljišta za rekreativni lov s prigušivačima značajno povećava sigurnosne rizike za šetače u divljini, obitelji i kućne ljubimce. Sustavi nagrađivanja široko su diskreditirani kao neučinkovita i nehumana metoda kontrole, što često dovodi do dugotrajne patnje životinja i osiroćavanja maloljetnih životinja. Predstavljanje lova kao „očuvanja“ u zakonu je zavaravajuće, jer se istinsko očuvanje oslanja na znanstveno utemeljene, humane tehnike upravljanja, što ovaj zakon ne promiče. Uspostavljanje ministra za lov i ribolov institucionalizira podršku lovu u odnosu na druge pristupe upravljanja divljim životinjama temeljene na dokazima. Pozivam odbor da odbaci ovaj zakon i umjesto toga ulaže u nesmrtonosne, znanstveno potkrijepljene programe za divlje životinje i upravljanje zemljištem.

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The idea of allowing 50,000 acres in a sweet heart deal between the government and the shooters Association is despicable and deplorable misuse of public / state lands for the use of killing native animals and or introduced species . I deplore this action of enabling the killing of these creatures to satisfy the need to kill and use these animals as atrophy of ego . This land could be better used to create a nature fauna reserve or recreation area .

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This intended Bill is cruel and inhumane and I wish to lodge that I am strongly opposed to it.

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I am against any form of animal cruelty, I do not agree with licensed shooters invading our national parks to shoot or maim any animals what so ever. Opening national parks and other public land, to hunters using silencers on their rifles, will endanger the general public

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I am opposed to relaxing gun laws and turning 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. Relaxing gun laws for any reason has the potential to create many dangers to people and animals alike. Hunting itself poses a danger to people, as well as being proven to create unnecessary death and suffering to many animals. Many people who hunt do not discriminate when shooting animals or birds, regardless if they're protected or threatened species, or with their young. They also injure animals and leave them to suffer in prolonged agony until death some time later. Please do not pass the legislation.

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I strongly oppose this Bill. It promotes cruelty, risks public safety and falsely labels hunting as conservation. I support non-lethal and humane, science-based wildlife protection. It flies in the face of our hard won gun control; personally, I'm always concerned that individuals who seem to enjoy shooting animals they perceive to be a nuisance may use their deadly weapon against other 'nuisances', including humans who bug them.

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I strongly object to the relaxation of gun laws in NSW. This is in no way in the best interests of safety for the people of NSW.

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I am against this bill as I don't believe hunting in national parks has anything to do with conservation. How can the general public enjoy these national parks while hunters with guns roam in them, shooting at animals?

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I strongly oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 on the following grounds:

- o Opening over 50,000 hectares of public land to recreational hunting with silencers significantly increases safety risks for bushwalkers, families and pets.
- o Bounty systems are widely discredited as an ineffective and inhumane control method, often leading to prolonged animal suffering and orphaned juveniles.
- o The bill's framing of hunting as "conservation" is misleading, as genuine conservation relies on science-based, humane management techniques, which this bill does not promote.
- o Establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing institutionalises support for hunting over other evidence-based wildlife management approaches.

I urge the committee to reject this bill and instead invest in non-lethal, scientifically supported programs for wildlife and land management.

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To whom it may concern, I vehemently oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025. Public land should not be handed over to gunmen with silencers. This endangers all wildlife, in the area, puts public at risk and creates a precedence that is cruel, unbelievably ego-based and totally unnecessary. As humans we have already endangered so many species already and created environments that have permanently changed animals habitats, creating environmental imbalances. It is time to take responsibility for our actions and think like the intelligent beings we are supposed to be, not create legal killing fields. It is shameful.

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I strongly oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 due to several critical concerns: **Increased Safety Risks:** I regularly use public lands for hiking and recreation. The idea of hunting with silencers and unrestricted shooting on these lands concerns me due to the increased risk it poses to visitors like myself and other families. Public land must be safe for everyone and this bill undermines that safety. I ask the committee to prioritise public wellbeing over recreational hunting. **Ineffective and Inhumane Bounty Systems:** The bill's reliance on bounty systems is concerning. These systems are widely discredited as ineffective and inhumane control methods, often resulting in prolonged animal suffering and orphaned juveniles. **Misleading "Conservation" Framing:** Labeling hunting as "conservation" is disingenuous. Genuine conservation relies on science-based, humane management techniques, which this bill fails to promote. **Institutionalising Hunting Over Science:** Establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing disproportionately institutionalises support for hunting, undermining other evidence-based wildlife management approaches. I urge the committee to reject this bill and instead prioritise investment in non-lethal, scientifically supported programs for wildlife and land management.

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Dear Them/Their I fully support this bill in opening up more public land for the use of hunters . It allows folk to obtain organic free range meat to be harvested . As it will be deep in forests away from normal walking tracks etc. it will not cause any issues of safety to the general public . The use of suppressors is an OHS issue of reducing both recoil and noise . As it says they are suppressors and will NOT eliminate the noise . This is a scientifically proven fact as rifles for deer or pigs discharge a bullet higher than the speed of sound . Most of Europe , Uk , USA , NZ , Sth Africa and many other countries allow there use . Also , as seen in Victoria that hunters have shot more deer on public land than the government paid shooters . This bill will only be of benefit to NSW as it will decrease government costs , feed folk , control wildlife and enhance native fauna and flora . Yours sincerely

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I strongly oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 on the following grounds: 1. Opening 50,000 hectares of public land to recreational hunting with silencers significantly increases the risk to members of the public and pets. 2. Bounty systems have been widely discredited as an ineffective and inhumane control method, often leading to prolonged animal suffering and orphaned juveniles. 3. The Bill's framing of hunting as "conservation " is misleading, as genuine conservation relies on science based, humane management techniques, which this Bill does not promote. 4. Establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing institutionalises support for hunting over other evidence based wildlife management approaches. I urge the committee to reject this Bill and instead invest in non-lethal, scientifically supported programs for wildlife and land management.

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Protect our wild animals and our land from being harmed this is cause destruction to our wild life

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Pest management by recreational hunters on public land is vital, cheap and effective for keeping numbers under control. As a resident of the Illawarra I see every day the damage caused by introduced species (particularly deer in our area). Introduced animals of prey absolutely decimate native fauna, killing millions every year, the reduction of feral cats and foxes particularly is essential to this country. I request we open up more land to pest management hunters, as well as a promise not to increase restrictions on firearms or hunters. The last request is to allow the use of suppressors which allow hunters to provide a quicker and easier end to the vermin without disrupting the local wildlife as much.

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Introducing this bill of Game and Feral conservation is a mistake. Calling it conservation is blatantly false and treats the Australian public like fools. It has nothing to do with conservation but is I suspect an appeasement to the hunters and fishers. Silencers on guns? What on earth is that supposed to achieve, other than flagrantly higher risks of harming and killing humans and livestock. We have family running a farm in regional NSW and it is already common place to see “weekenders” from the city come down and shoot anything that moves. They cross genres and trespass with absolutely no regard for rules or welfare. This bill and its bounty system will only encourage these people and more livestock and protected species will be harmed. We are not America. E do not hold dear the same values of collecting trophies and chest beating around the campfire. Please protect our wildlife, livestock and the sanctity of proper borders by controlling this bill!

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As a someone who values our national parks, wildlife and life, I am appalled and afraid of the idea of having hunters roaming around without supervision (and yes it would be the case) with rifles shooting animals, it endangers the public and I have witnessed first hand the cruelty. Hunters are often not crack shots, and the suffering they cause is horrific. That they could be trusted to not also slaughter our wildlife, treat the parks with respect, or those who use it, is extremely unlikely. Having the shooters party as part of this , with only one thing in mind, to use the slaughter of animals as a source of revenue for anyway holding a rifle is disgusting. It's dangerous (I've spoken with shooters I've come across, they are often hostile and rude). The whole idea is dangerously and horrific. My vote next election hangs on this decision.

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To whom it may concern, I am writing as a concerned citizen and am hoping to show my concern about the Shooters party receiving 50,000 hectares of shared land to hunt and fish and shoot. This is just so wrong, dangerous and completely unnecessary. It cannot be allowed to pass as it is a threat to not only humans but to helpless animals and wildlife. The animals and wildlife already have to endure enough from existing threats such as hunters, kangaroo shooting for leather and commercial mass killings of animals for meat consumption. Let the animals be. You will make a lot of people feel hopeful and have faith in you if you do not pass this bill. Please I am asking you to think about this and not allow the bill to pass. Passing the bill will only bring joy to a small minority of people who choose to hunt or fish to compensate and bring danger to many other civilians and animals for really no valid reason. Please consider not passing this bill, we are collectively putting our faith in you. Thank you.

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I ask that you please reconsider allowing public space to be turned into a hunting ground. In a world where animals already suffer mistreatment and exploitation at the hands of humans, please do not add to the problem. There is no purpose for hunting as a sport, other than the unnecessary suffering of innocent victims. Kindly reconsider endorsing such devastation to impact Australian wildlife.

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Please do not allow proliferation of these shooters on public land. I no longer feel safe in State Forests, where I often walked and camped, as once shooting is permitted there will always be an irresponsible element ignoring any safeguards.

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I have concerns regarding this proposal. Among those armed and ready to kill animals there will always be a number of individuals either incompetent, or with ill intent, wielding weapons. Non target animals, intentional and accidental wounding of both target and protected species occurring. These are my primary concerns, without embellishment, just facts.

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This bill is morally and ethically wrong. National Parkland should be a place of safety and sanctuary and not condone ongoing animal cruelty

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Crown land belongs to everyone. It should be a place of safety and sanctuary, NOT zones for hunting and killing.

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I am a strong supporter of the Conservation Hunting Bill 2025. Not only will it support landholders and the public with the control of Feral Animals but allow this to be done in a more efficient and humane manner. The Bill also introduces a Right To Hunt. Something very important to myself and many others. My family has strong traditional and cultural ties to hunting, it's part of our heritage, going back many generations. I see this 'recognition' of a Right To Hunt as vital in this world of dissociation from reality. The Bill represents common sense reform, recognizes cultural hunting traditions and reduces reliance on expensive government control programs. This Bill should be supported.

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Do NOT let lunatics loose with guns. Our wildlife and animals are too precious to be at the mercy of a moron with a gun. I grew up in the country and know from experience what guns can do, to both people and animals. NO MORE.. If people want to have guns and kill, let them go overseas and fight in wars. NOT in my country. Leave the animals and people alone!!

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THIS BILL MUST ABSOLUTELY BE STOPPED FROM PASSAGE! I urge the committee, to reject Bill 2025, for the following common sense reasons: 1. Using guns and silencers, to boot, when people and their pets are sharing this 50,000 plus hectares of land is ludicrous. 2. We do not need bounties, to reward the killing of cats, dogs, bunnies, goats, pigs, OR ANY WILDLIFE. We do not need money grubbing people running around, with guns in hand. 3. Passing off animal cruelty as "conservation," is inhumane, too. And a flat out lie. 4. We do not need a "Minister of Hunting and Fishing," to be placed into government to promote the killing of any and all animals. Alternatively, a scientifically supported program, with non-lethal approaches, must be invested in. REJECT BILL 2025, REGARDING GAME AND FERAL ANIMAL LEGISLATION!

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I am horrified to hear that public land and wildlife will be open ground for blood thirsty gun owners. Guns and killing shouldn't be encouraged by our Government, in ANY way. Besides the cruel deaths of animals, people could be killed or injured. Encouraging people to hunt and kill and become a desensitised human, is also adding to domestic violence. Don't let this happen.

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This Bill creates a Minister for Hunting and Fishing and gives hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW. It drastically expands hunting in state forests, puts onerous requirements on Councils to consult with hunting bodies, and establishes an oversight body using taxpayer money similar to the fraught Game Council that was so poorly managed it had to be shut down. Let's not relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. Thank you.

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I object to land being used to hunt or shoot animals. They have as much given right to live as humans.

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I strongly oppose the proposed bill that seeks to relax gun laws and convert 50,000 hectares of shared public land into designated hunting grounds. This bill poses serious risks to public safety, community access, and environmental protection. Turning shared public spaces into hunting zones endangers bushwalkers, campers, families, and tourists who use these areas for recreation and wellbeing. It undermines the fundamental principle that public land should remain safe, inclusive, and accessible to all. The creation of a "Minister for Hunting and Fishing" is not only unnecessary, but it also elevates a narrow special interest above broader public and environmental priorities. The proposal to allow hunters to apply for access to prohibited weapons in NSW is deeply concerning and completely at odds with the need for sensible, responsible firearm regulation. Furthermore, the re-establishment of a body akin to the discredited Game Council – using taxpayer money – is unjustifiable. The Game Council was dismantled for poor governance, conflict of interest, and lack of accountability. Repeating this mistake would be reckless and wasteful. Local councils should not be burdened with mandatory consultation requirements from hunting bodies, nor should they be pressured to facilitate activities that pose risks to their communities. In short, this bill favours the interests of a vocal minority at the expense of public safety, environmental protection, and the shared value of public lands. I urge the NSW Government to reject this legislation in full.

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There is nothing entertaining about killing. Hunting is cruel, unnecessary, outdated and morally unacceptable. In a civilised society, it should be illegal and severely punished.

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Any relaxation of gun laws puts members of the public in danger. Hunting of feral animals should only be done humanely by professional government hunters.

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Dear Sir/Madam, I strongly oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 on the following grounds: 1. Opening over 50,000 hectares of public land to recreational hunting with silencers significantly increases safety risks for bushwalkers, families and pets. 2. Bounty systems are widely discredited as an ineffective and inhumane control method, often leading to prolonged animal suffering and orphaned juveniles. 3. The bill's framing of hunting as "conservation" is misleading, as genuine conservation relies on science-based, humane management techniques, which this bill does not promote. 4. Establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing institutionalises support for hunting over other evidence-based wildlife management approaches. I urge the committee to reject this bill and instead invest in non-lethal, scientifically supported programs for wildlife and land management. Thank you very in advance for your consideration. Kind Regards,

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I vehemently oppose the proposed bill to relax gun laws for shooters and allow them access to large areas of land (50,000 hectares) where they can openly shoot animals. This is abhorrent, barbaric and should not be happening in a civilised society. Is it not enough that our governments have slaughtered thousands of brumbies, hundreds of koalas and thousands of kangaroos? Is nowhere in Australia safe for animals? In this day and age where meat is easy to buy in supermarkets there is no reason to hunt. Killing animals for sport is abhorrent and in my opinion encourages psychopathic tendencies. In addition we should NOT loosen gun laws for anybody. Then you are also posing a risk to humans, plus encouraging mass shootings of animals, or worse, if any of these shooters becomes unhinged. I hoped for a government with wisdom, compassion and a good moral compass when I voted. Please don't prove me wrong.

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I strongly oppose the Shooters Party's Bill to relax gun laws and turn public land into hunting grounds.

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There is no question in my mind that increasing access to presently banned firearms as well as access for hunters in publicly owned and accessed spaces will increase the level of violence within the state and the nation. Common sense dictates this. Whoever wants to deny this needs to show solid evidence that it does not increase violence. Thus this decision to relax licencing and gun laws as well as opening up public lands for hunting can only be a politically based one that is not necessarily good for the country and is making only a noisy minority happy, at the expense of many other lives, undoubtedly some endangered animals amongst them. I am not in favour of this proposal and never will be while I live and breathe

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I disagree with the allowance of 50,000 hectares of bush to be provided To hunters and fishers for shooting and killing of animals. Wasting our taxpayer money on killing for fun is not acceptable. Let's be sensible here and stop this access to beautiful bushland for murdering animals. Thankyou for readingvmy submission.

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Don't start down the slippery, dangerous and blatantly ignorant way that the majority of sensible people DON'T want. We don't want all the daily dramas that plague other countries, for example the USA and we don't need a bunch of reckless idiots with access to guns that should be banned for use by anyone not serving in the military. Nor do we want the inevitable rotting of the system that comes from a Government that doesn't care and can't even police the problems that already exist in our state, let alone take in more!

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The idea of releasing thousands of acres for use as a hunting territory is abominable! Hunting is a crime against other sentient beings and should not be encouraged. People who enjoying killing for sport should also not have access to prohibited weapons as will happen if this bill is passed. Please act responsibly for the public and the animals and do not let this happen. It is your duty as my representative.

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I strongly oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025. To even consider passing this Act/Bill is 100% abhorrent to me. There is already too much killing, maiming & orphaning of Australia's animals and bird life. To allow random folk to wander around, taking pot shots at defenseless creatures is SO wrong on SO many levels. How can the Public be safe, with people with weapons skulking about in bushland with an "if it moves shoot it" mentality? It is wrong on so many levels! I appeal to your collective common sense...DO NOT PASS THIS ACT. PLEASE!!

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Do not do this!!!!!!!!!!!!??????

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I am appalled by the proposed Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 and express my strong objections to it. It is beyond belief that the government would consider hunting and killing in these areas. This is not conservation, it is slaughter that poses unacceptable dangers to the general public. Just vote no!

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Hunting in State and National Parks is a safe activity that has many environmental and social benefits. Many studies have endorsed hunting as legitimate recreational use of Australia's outdoors.

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The Shooters Party are basically murderers. They are generally cruel and misogynistic, as evidenced by some of their posts and their general attitude. Hunting for pleasure is simply cruelty. What pleasure does a person gain by taking the life of a sentient being? If they were organised, on foot and only taking out introduced species, then that might be okay, but they shoot anything and everything and terrorise the inhabitants while they're doing it. It's a hard NO from me. Enough with the killing already. My neighbours are gun toting hillbillies who kill native animals - it's depressing and frightening to live close to people who have no regard for anything but their own pleasure and economic status (they run a small number of introduced sheep and kill the remaining small mob of kangaroos). I do not live in America, or Palestine. I live in bushland just outside Canberra and we need our trees and our wildlife. ENOUGH WITH THE KILLING ALREADY.

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I strongly oppose this proposal to allow hunting on crown land animals will be left at the mercy of cruel shooters !!! The public is put in danger..allowing people to walk around these areas with loaded guns is extremely dangerous.

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I wish to lodge my rejection and disgust at the proposed relaxed gun laws. 50,000 hectares of public land to be destroyed by “hunting “ which in reality is murder of innocent animals. There will be a massive outcry against this cruelty.

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This is wrong. I have always been a supporter of the Labor party. Public forces should be safe for everyone. Not for hunting.

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Hunting is an outdated and cruel practice and this Bill not only allows expanded territory for hunting in state forests which are shared public space but also establishes an oversight body that uses precious taxpayer money. There is no good reason for this Bill and it actively harms animals and the public.

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I fully support the Feral animal and game bill before Parliament

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please stop the hunting of our native animals and other animals on public land. Increasing hunting is dangerous, inhumane, cruel, increasing violence in our beautiful country. dangerous to hikers, native animals , families & pets. we dont need a Minister for Hunting & Fishing public land should be a safe place!

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I strongly oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 on the following grounds: * Opening over 50,000 hectares of public land to recreational hunting with silencers significantly increases safety risks for bushwalkers, families and pets. I have a plot of Crown Land directly behind my property in Narrandera, and could not stand the idea of Hunters roaming through it and shooting indiscriminantly, the idea is abhorrent as well as being fraught with dangers. * Bounty systems are widely discredited as an ineffective and inhumane control method, often leading to prolonged animal suffering and orphaned juveniles. Look at what was done in Kosciusko in depleting the Brumbies, what an absolute disaster that was! * The bill's framing of hunting as "conservation" is misleading, as genuine conservation relies on science-based, humane management techniques, which this bill does not promote. I have met some local pig hunters and they are deranged individuals, they have no common sense whatsoever, they can barely string a sentence together! They would be unlikely to read and understand any constraints that were put on them by the legislation. * Establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing institutionalises support for hunting over other evidence-based wildlife management approaches. I urge the committee to reject this bill and instead invest in non-lethal, scientifically supported programs for wildlife and land management. Sincerely,

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The Shooters Party have made a deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. No No and No. Stop the killing of harmless animals it's a bloody thirsty pastime and maims animals before death. Stop It Please.

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I did not vote for this policy. It should be held in abeyance until the next State Election and then be included in the Labor Party's manifesto.

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This would have to be the most disgraceful, cruel, underhanded law that this government has ever tried to put through. The shooters are heartless. Killing animals by gun is absolutely outrageous & horrendous. Why don't, you have a referendum & ask the Australian people what they think. I guarantee they will not support this bill. What type of people could possibly support killing by gun. Evil!!!

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I think this is a horrible proposition.

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I am opposed to this bill and supporting hunting in an area of 50,000 ha. Our wildlife is already struggling from fire, habitat loss, degradation, and human interference. Adding this is completely unnecessary and seems purely political to keep support from a very strange and unpopular faction. Hunting is purely for leisure with no environmental benefits - it encourages animal cruelty and this bill is a complete waste of tax payers dollars. Setting the area aside as a nature reserve is a much better idea. We have one earth and we are rapidly destroying - by 1000 cuts - this is another example of that.

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I support the Game and Feral Animal Control Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025, currently before the NSW Parliament. This Bill is a practical and science-based response to the challenges posed by invasive species such as deer, pigs, foxes, and feral cats. It supports hunters, farmers, landholders, and regional communities who bear the burden of pest damage. In particular, I support the provision allowing licensed conservation hunters to use suppressors (sound moderators) on firearms because suppressors: • Reduce animal stress and suffering • Help maintain hearing health for hunters • Reduce noise pollution in rural and peri-urban areas • Are already widely and safely used in New Zealand, the UK, Europe, and the USA They are not a risk to public safety—they are a best-practice tool for humane wildlife management. This Bill represents common-sense reform. It empowers community-based conservation, recognises cultural hunting traditions, and reduces reliance on expensive and often ineffective government control programs.

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It has come to my attention that the Shooters Party have made a deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. I believe that the only purpose of guns is to kill or maim and, as such, cannot be considered to be for entertainment. The possibility of unintended harm coming to others is also an unnecessary danger. The toll on endangered species, both lethal and maiming, is well documented and is a blight on Australian society and a reason for shame. The intended legislation, and one gun in the wrong hands, is a reason for more blood on our hands and one gun too many. Lastly, and importantly, please consider the lives of the intended targets. Sincerely,

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I am shocked and disheartened to find out that Labor and Shooters Party are pushing legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds ! This is sad, upsetting, disheartening and very wrong on so many levels and I thought that the Premier Chris Minns and his Ministers would stop this oncoming slaughter to our wildlife without any hesitation. It really is a crime not a legislation, so please consider my single voice on behalf on the animals to stop this inhumane treatment of NSW wildlife just for humans that ENJOY HUNTING INNOCENT ANIMALS!! THIS IS A CRIME NOT A LEGISLATION. PLEASE STOP THE BILL PASSING. Thank you.

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Its hard to believe that relaxing gun laws and shooting innocent animals for recreation is ok. Its hard to believe taxpayers money may be used when there are so many important issues in our communities that need to be addressed. Its so sad that we are going backwards and not doing something positive with our time and money. That shooting sentient beings is fun and acceptable. How can this be happening?

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I would love to go public but the Shooters Party are aggressive bullies. There is no need in 2025 to hunt animals and making backriom deals to use 50,000 hectares of public land for gun violence is NOT what society needs. I live rural and I have never met a rational, intelligent, compassionate shooter, I have met shooters who try to dominate, abuse their partners and have no regard for the environment. I strongly object to relaxing gun laws and having Labor defend the Shooters Party.

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THIS IS AUSTRALIA, NOT THE WILD WEST! I strongly object to despicable gun-wielding hunters being let loose on public lands. This will lead to innocent wildlife being slaughtered or worse, injured and dying in agony to suit the blood lust of moronic hunters.

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I strongly object to legislation that enshrines poor practice. Allowing recreational shooters the right to shoot on crown land is short sighted and dangerous for all other users. Having a minister for shooting and fishing is an act of appeasement and does very much harm to evidence based control and conservation. I submit that this legislation should not be enshrined.

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This bill would greatly help NSW farmers with the huge issue of pests, the sheer destruction and cost feral pigs cause on a day to day basis is of great concern as numbers are getting worse by the day. Two mates and myself have shot and trapped over two thousand pigs in this last financial year. The cost of doing so is fairly substantial estimate 50k plus a year and a further 50k in property damage! We need to do something about not this issue as it's getting out of hand, I have highlighted the issue of feral pigs but we also exterminate many other invasive species in smaller numbers. The impact of these pests have on native flora and fauna is immense and extremely hard to witness.

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Re:Objection to Legislation to relax gun laws and allow 50,000 hectares of land shared by the public as hunting grounds. This form of disconnect clearly shows no regard for life. Most of us want to show compassion to voiceless, helpless beings. Is there any value in education to encourage bloodshed? How can the youth of today learn human values, when they are clearly shown the wrong path. I am appealing to you Not to Relax Gun Laws and allow these precious beings to live in their own habitat without a BloodBath. Encourage compassion and Ban hunting as a sport, It is an unconscienable form of behaviour.

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I would strongly object to this submission, as it goes against what we consider a “civilised” society. There is no need for hunting in this day and age and a lot of hunters shoot indiscriminately, so any wildlife would be in danger. Why do Australian politicians so easily agree to killing our animals eg. Brumbies, kangaroos, ruin koala habitat and why do we still use 1080 when most countries have banned it. Other countries are doing their best to help and preserve animals and habitat, but we not only kill anything that moves, in as cruel a way as possible, or leaving them and their young to die painfully and agonisingly. THIS IS SO UNNECESSARY.

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Dear Parliament of NSW, I'm horrified to learn that Hunting could be made legal in an area that it also a public use area. I think this proposal could potentially set a disturbing and dangerous precedent, not to mention the cruelty of the hunting itself. How can you be sure that a member of the public isn't in the line of fire? A clean shot is the preferred method if you're a shooter but realistically, how often does this happen? If a clean shot isn't possible, then there are injured animals in a publicly accessible area. An injured animal is a frightened animal....could members of the public come to harm? Plus it then becomes an animal cruelty issue. How would you feel if your family members/ young children were exposed to this? I urge you to reconsider this proposal and leave the land as it was designated...a public space for ALL to enjoy, both human and animal. Thank you for considering my submission, please do what you know is right. Kind regards, Suzanne

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When John Howard brought in the Buy Back Guns policy, Australia became a much safer country to live. Today, there has been an increase in gun violence, resulting in tragic deaths. I propose that people be encouraged to frequent paintball parks, or specific target shooting ranges, if they want to practice their skills at hitting targets. Animals, birds etc., need to be protected, unless there is an infestation. Very occasionally if there is an infestation, then park rangers should be used to control it. I hear so many reports of domestic violence, mentally ill people, etc., who resort to gun violence. We hear often, reports of drive-by shootings (sometimes innocent people are injured/killed). Do not let us become like USA. Thank you.

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Please do not allow the shooters club to increase killing areas. Enough is enough, killing for fun is psychotic. Don't encourage killers to expand their power and areas to kill innocent animals. There are ethical ways for conservation. Animals have no voice and i want to be their voice!

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Dear members of the Parliament, As humans we are part of nature. It doesn't belong to us. We don't have the right to kill other beings for sport, fun or pleasure. So many are already suffering because of us. Why should we make that number even bigger? Instead of killing animals we should improve the environmental situation, also for our own sakes. If the population of a certain species in an area is too high there sure is a natural enemy to keep everything in balance we just have to find that balance again. Because nature naturally is in balance. We just broke up everything and killing even more is not the right way to go in my opinion. Thank you for hearing me out Yours sincerely

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This is an absolute waste of taxpayers' money. It encourages cruelty and the lower portion of society to have an excuse to kill and maim. Guns and animal cruelty should have no place in our country. We do, however, have an extensive list of items that government should be addressing, and this is not one of them. A community can be judged on how it treats its old, young and animals... Some of our elderly are having to decide between purchasing food or medication. Our most vulnerable children (in care) are out of control without proper governance. Our animals....well, here is the government, yet again encouraging cruelty and focusing on the wrong agenda. Get your priority list in order!

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Dear Sir/Madam Please do not make public grounds hunting grounds. Please make decisions to promote a civilised and kind future. I'm shocked to hear about this proposal and request you to reconsider. Save animals and wildlife and promote kindness to our fellow beings and natural environment. Yours faithfully

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Please don't do this, as if living things do not count, we might as well all be mindless, heartless robots. In this day and age, there will be a better solution. Maybe create jobs and manage these no fault if their own, living things. Guns and weapons are the worst alternative. In the hands of hunters, possibly with no empathy for animals or humans, so what gives that chance of carrying on lawlessness to others, with so much of mental disorders around and a one sided attitude, must be crazy. Please put the brakes on, this is a way to introduce more guns into society. Like America, and where does that end? If you are intelligent, you know the answer, maybe it's about money, and the cause is a red herring. Down to death and destruction. Thank you.

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NO to relaxing gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. Nature has been disturbed enough by the hands of humans. Enough is enough. Please vote a big fat NO to this bill

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Don't our parliamentary members think that there is more than enough shooting and murdering going on in our world at present, without making it easier to accomplish? Grow up hunters and turn your skills towards helping our animal world and not getting pleasure out of watching them die.

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The world already treats animals with disrespect, and a throw away commodity. What would humans do WITHOUT these wonderful creatures! What a joke to appease “hunters” with further land to kill innocent animals, with these “hunters” using shotguns/rifles to kill - where’s the sport in that! Let the “hunters” stalk and kill each other, that’s a more level playing field.

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as an Australian citizen, I object to this bill on the grounds of: * exposure to more guns/weapons in Australia * intrusion of hunters into public space * animal welfare standards being compromised and impossible to oversee We do not need or want any of this.

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I am strongly against relaxing gun laws. In Australia there is no reason for hunting of any sort. Do not pass this bill.

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Kill this Bill! The NSW Government is obligated to protect all animals, domestic and wild, and to uphold the rights of animals to be protected. Public open spaces cannot be turned into killing fields. Lobbying of Government to change protections for wildlife and gun laws by powerful hunting groups in NSW is not only an offence but also a disgrace. I demand this proposed new Bill be dismissed!

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Recreational hunting is not conservation. It rarely delivers environmental benefits, and in many cases actively obstructs professional control programs. You don't reduce invasive species by doing a bit of weekend pig shooting. You need coordinated, expert-led programs like aerial shooting, baiting and trapping – the kind of methods the Shooters Party oppose.

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I am extremely opposed to this Bill as it would (if passed into legislation) turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. Additionally, and just as importantly, it would give hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW. This is completely unacceptable in my opinion. We definitely do not need hunters and shooters having more freedoms in relation to gun ownership and hunting grounds. We have a domestic violence crisis in Australia, and there is a known, documented correlation between access to guns and domestic violence incidents. Thankyou for this opportunity to comment.

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Hello, I am a NSW based recreational hunter with undergraduate biology qualifications. I harvest several deer annually to feed my family and pets. Ethical harvesting of this quality resource is incredibly valuable to me. I support all sections of the bill, in particular the permitted use of suppressors for hearing safety (as widely used in NZ), and the conservation impact of invasive species control. Bounty schemes are a great solution to support landowners in invasive species control. Hunting for conservation takes times and consumes resources, providing an incentive scheme seems only fair to farmers and landowners.

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The proposed legislation would prove disastrous to wildlife and all decent people and I object to its passage into law. Encouraging shooting on public lands is a severely retrograde step. It will do nothing to manage feral populations in a humane and effective way, and will place wildlife and people at risk. Public lands should not be handed over to men - and it is almost exclusively men who enjoy slaughtering animals - with guns to blast away at anything that moves. If the Parliament thinks these individuals will be respectful and law abiding people it is frighteningly naive. Anyone who has witnessed the conduct of shooters during shooting season will know just how disrespectful of gun and shooting laws many shooters are. I have seen men shooting swans, parrots, kookaburras, and a lamb during shooting season on the Barren Box Swamp, not just the poor native ducks that could be shot lawfully. Many of these individuals were drunk. This is the sort of person the draft Bill will let loose on public lands. This legislation is nothing more than a cynical deal to win the support of the minority Hunters & Shooters Party. The Government should have the decency to govern for all members of the community, and for a sustainable environmental future, rather than to buy the support of morons with guns. Don't pass this cruel and disastrous legislation.

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Say no to the bill. You do not need to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. There is no need to drastically expand hunting in state forests. It will put onerous requirements on Councils to consult with hunting bodies, and it will establish an oversight body using taxpayer money similar to the fraught Game Council that was so poorly managed it had to be shut down. No to the bill!

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I vigorously oppose the proposed bill for the following reasons: * expansion of hunting in state forests promotes a recreational activity that is the antithesis of our society's and community's values for care and respect of life and serves no practical purpose * the ability for hunter to apply for an have access to prohibited weapons increases the risk of those weapons falling into the wrong hands and being use incorrectly to the endangerment of the community * the necessity of an oversight body represents a gross misspending of taxpayer funds when there are significantly more important matters for the broader community, not a narrow sector, requiring funding * Councils, already under resource strain, will have additional requirements place on them to consult with hunting bodies

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I am writing to express my concerns about this Bill to create a Minister for Hunting and Fishing and which would give hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW. It drastically expands hunting in state forests, puts onerous requirements on Councils to consult with hunting bodies, and establishes an oversight body using taxpayer money similar to the fraught Game Council that was so poorly managed it had to be shut down. I urge members of Parliament to reject this Bill.

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I strongly oppose the bill to relax gun laws and turn shared public land into hunting grounds. We already have too many feral people out there playing cowboys who let animals suffer .

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I ask that the proposed bill that would allow people to shoot 'in shared public spaces to be cancelled. Shooting in these spaces would be unsafe to the other members of the public who use these areas. It would also lead to increasing the opportunity for people to take part in the barbaric practice of senselessly injuring and killing defenceless animals.

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The Shooters Party have made a deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. This Bill creates a Minister for Hunting and Fishing and gives hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW. It drastically expands hunting in state forests, puts onerous requirements on Councils to consult with hunting bodies, and establishes an oversight body using taxpayer money similar to the fraught Game Council that was shut down. This bill should not pass. It does not reflect majority thinking in Australia in 2025. It supports cruelty. As a society, we need to irgently stamp out cruelty in all its forms. Thank you. Kind regards,

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Attention: The Minister for Hunting and Fishing or whoever is in charge at the moment. Re: Hunters given the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW, and turning 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. Have you learnt nothing from the US? In a time of increased domestic and violence in public places, do you really think giving access to prohibited weapons is a sensible choice? Hunting: Oddly enough, I do not object to the culling of feral animals who cause damage to the environment. This should be done by licensed shooters only, who are a very good shot, and sober. This tends not to be the case in my experience. Yes, they may be licensed, but they normally have a few mates, dogs, and a load of beer on board. They could not hit a barn at 100m. The animals are often left severely wounded and die in agony. This is not humane. I object to this bill in its entirety. Thanking you

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Passing this abhorrent law is going to put our bushland up there with the terrible destruction of wildlife by poachers in Africa, because blooded shooters will find themselves taking out anything that moves - not only introduced unwanted creatures, but our beautiful native creatures too. Doesn't our government care about the dangers of people wandering about with loaded firearms, not only to animals but to the humans out there trying to enjoy this beautiful country of ours.

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I don't agree to have any relaxation in gun laws nor to have any more shared public space open to hunting.

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I was appalled to learn that Labor has not only done a deal with the Shooters Party to create a Minister for Hunting and Fishing, but - even worse - has also agreed to allow hunting to be carried out in over 50,000 hectares of state forests! Furthermore, I understand that hunters are to be allowed to apply for access to all weapons currently prohibited in NSW. This is a recipe for disaster! How many massacres need to occur before this bill is rescinded? How many shootings of innocent day trippers - adults and children - enjoying a walk in one of your magnificent state forests? Or are those 50,000 hectares to be closed to those who would prefer to enjoy our unique fauna rather than kill them? And what about the hunted themselves? They are sentient beings like us, after all.. Why can't they be left to live out their lives in peace, like most of us do?

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Please do not allow this to proceed, thank you for your serious consideration and respecting animal welfare, reducing pain and suffering for all animals. Thank you.

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Hunting in state forests should not be expanded at all, this is public land and people already trash state forests enough just with current activities. If this is passed, animals hunted should be limited to feral species only and no native animals, including kangaroos, wallabies or dingoes. A Minister for Hunting and Fishing is a waste of resources, particularly in times of a currently constrained budget. Hunters having increased access to all prohibited weapons is a major safety concern and this should not occur. We do not need more people who can access weapons.

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I oppose the expansion of hunting grounds into existing state forest, as an unjustified of sporting activity into the natural world and natural ecosystems. So much of the natural world suffers the intrusion of man-made activity, whether for living, agricultural, industrial or leisure interests. Where this is necessary, a primary emphasis must be the preservation of natural ecosystems to the greatest extent possible. A sporting activity that involves the killing of animals other than as part of the natural food chain, contradicts this approach. Hunter's have enough grounds already, and I don't believe this activity should be further encouraged by an expansion of the areas in which they can operate, which necessarily works in detriment to those environments, and to more benign and sympathetic interactions between humanity and the natural world in those environments. I therefore strongly oppose the proposed expansion.

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This proposal makes 50,000 hectares unsafe for public use and for untold numbers of animals. The general public have a right to bushwalk and picnic without the risk of being shot. Hunters have been proven to be ineffective conservationists and frequently poor shots who injure animals and identify target species correctly. Hunting is a cruel pastime for a small minority of the population. The great majority of people would be aghast at this proposal if they were aware of it. Animal cruelty is not popular with most people. Far more of us want to be able to access public land without the worry of being shot by some reckless half trained shooter, or coming across wildlife with gunshot injuries.

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We need more safe public space not less. And the potential for prohibited weapons to end up in the hands of irresponsible people is downright scary!

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There seems to be a lack of commonsense aswell as communicAtion rgarding this stupid new plan the government is considering. Without proper consultation of all the constituents who should have that Consideration as a legal right. How many more people have to be killed before somebody wakes. Lets hope its sooner than later.

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I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed legislation that seeks to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. As someone who deeply cares about the welfare of animals, I firmly believe that hunting is an unnecessarily cruel practice that should be stopped at all costs. Allowing hunters access to prohibited weapons and expanding hunting in state forests not only puts wildlife at risk but also jeopardizes the safety and enjoyment of public spaces for all citizens. The establishment of a Minister for Hunting and Fishing and the oversight body funded by taxpayer money is a step backward for the protection of animals and public interests. Hunting inflicts unnecessary suffering on animals, disrupting ecosystems and causing long-term damage to wildlife populations. It is imperative that we prioritize humane and ethical treatment of animals, and this legislation goes against those principles. I urge the NSW Government to reconsider this bill and focus on conservation efforts that protect our wildlife and natural habitats. Every voice counts, and I hope mine adds to the chorus calling for the rejection of this harmful legislation. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

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I do not want hunters in National parks or on public land,there are fools out there who will shoot at wildlife they do not care.

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I say no to the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025. I am deeply opposed to a legislation that not only relaxes gun laws in this country, but also opens up 50000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. Why would we want to expand hunting in state forests and give hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons, as well as an introduce silencers. This is a step backwards in this country's gun laws. This Bill will encourage inhumane killing of animals, effectively launching a bounty system. Establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing elevates hunting as a government priority, potentially sidelining other conservation and welfare approaches. Why would the government even consider such a bill when it is delaying the promised Great Koala National Park? Why would it even consider handing land over to hunters to indiscriminately kill wildlife while protection for endangered native species stalls? Why are we prioritising hunting over animal welfare and wildlife protection? This is Crown land and it belongs to everyone. It should be a place of safety, a sanctuary for animals, not a hunting ground! True conservation relies on science, habitat protection and humane wildlife management. This bill's approach of promoting hunting and bounties runs counter to internationally recognised best practices and risks damaging fragile ecosystems. Please reject this bill and invest in sustainable, ethical conservation programs.

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I strongly oppose this Bill because it puts public safety and our environment at risk. Allowing hunters to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW is extremely dangerous. These weapons are currently banned for good reason—they're too risky to have in our communities. Making them easier to get just increases the chance of accidents or misuse, and that's not something most people want in their neighbourhoods or public spaces. This Bill also brings back a version of the old Game Council, which was shut down because it was badly managed and wasted public money. Taxpayer funds should be spent on healthcare, education, and protecting nature—not on creating a hunting authority that benefits a small group. Forcing local Councils to consult with hunting groups is unfair and adds pressure on communities that may not support hunting in their local forests or parks. We should be focused on preserving our environment and native wildlife, not making it easier to hunt them.

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PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO RELAX GUN LAWS & ALLOW STATE FORESTS TO BE USED AS HUNTING GROUNDS Say NO to legislation to reduce gun laws. Prohibited weapons are prohibited for good reason. Say NO to allowing shooters access to shared public land for hunting. Don't turn our state forests into killing fields. Say NO to indiscriminate killing of native wildlife. Don't allow native animals & birds to fall victim as "collateral damage" in these hunts. Say NO to indiscriminate use of native state forests - no destruction of our wild places. Say NO to public money for oversight. No repeat of the failed & disgraced Game Council. Say NO to animal cruelty. There are better & more humane ways to deal with feral animals (I do not mean poison!) Say NO to further burdening already overstretched Councils to placate the Shooter's Party - wasting even more public money. Say NO to the lobby groups acting for the Shooter's Party. NO back door deals for shady shooters. Say NO to this legislation - PROTECT the public, PROTECT our flora and fauna, PROTECT existing gun restrictions.

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I strongly oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 on the following grounds: Opening over 50,000 hectares of public land to recreational hunting with silencers significantly increases safety risks for bushwalkers, families and pets. Bounty systems are widely discredited as an ineffective and inhumane control method, often leading to prolonged animal suffering and orphaned juveniles. It also encourages the introduction of more feral animals in order to keep being paid for shooting them. The bill's framing of hunting as "conservation" is misleading, as genuine conservation relies on science-based, humane management techniques, which this bill does not promote. Establishing a Minister for Hunting and Fishing institutionalises support for hunting over other evidence-based wildlife management approaches. I urge the committee to reject this bill and instead invest in non-lethal, scientifically supported programs for wildlife and land management.

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The issue to allowing the Shooters and Fishers party to be allowed to hunt within our national parks is beyond disgusting. I am not sure quite what the purpose of allowing hunting is in NSW, especially when our wildlife are under threat of ongoing loss of habitat and as with koalas, possible extinction in the wild. We do not need hunting in NSW, its bad enough that shooters continue to hunt kangaroos and kill them indiscriminately leaving joeys to die slow deaths as well as their mothers, often not killed with one shot and left to die. If the idea is to gain political support by the current state government, by allowing the Shooters and Fishers party to gain access to our National Parks to hunt wildlife then it must not happen

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There are already enough weapons out in the community. Public land should be for all to use safely.

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Legalise common sense and allow the tools for a proficient hunting and eradication of feral species in our wonderful country

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Labour is doing a turn around. Is there anyone in parliament able to be trusted.

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I wholly disagree with any legislation that makes it acceptable to hunt on crown land, to make it easier to apply for a licence that allows a person to hunt an animal and to own and have access to firearms. The circumstances where firearms are needed are very low in number and hunting for pure pleasure should not be allowed under any circumstances, especially not on Crown Land which would mean other people cannot access it for safety reasons. You should not as a government be encouraging anyone to hurt a living animal for sport. It's not sport when the odds are so one sided against the animal.

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Having just had aerial shooting conducted around our property, I am disgusted at the number of animals that have been left to rot or become food for feral animals. It has obviously also not been successful, as I have literally just followed a deer up my driveway.

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Please do not make Hunting animals a normalised activity in Australia. I find it distressing and disgusting how we as humans treat vulnerable sentient beings and killing for fun should be abolished. It's not sport to shoot and kill, especially to those who the gun is pointed towards. Do we really want to arm potentially unhinged killers with weapons in our country Please look after our voiceless. They need us to advocate for them not murder them.

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The hunting conservation bill is a great step forward for all parties involved. A great way for Australians to get out in the bush away from technology, which is a huge benefit for mental health. During the same exercise we can harvest healthy organic wild meat and protect native wildlife from habitat destruction and food competition.

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Please don't allow this Bill to go ahead. It's opening up 50, 000 hectares of public land to hunting. What about the risks to species and animals that are already endangered or threatened? The damage to the pristine environments. People applying for special gun permits?! Please, please do not approve this bill and allow it to go ahead. Please do the right thing. Thank you for your time.

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As keen R license hunter from NSW I very interested in this new proposal and believe that it is an excellent idea with many benefits for native wildlife, agricultural stock and crops, rural businesses and communities plus for hunters in general. With any decent thought used this bill should be passed for everyone's benefit.

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I am writing in support of the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 and request the consideration of suppressors be made in a modern and realistic manner. These tools are an engineering control for the reduction of the likelihood of harm being caused to the shooter, bystanders and any other nearby receptors. They also minimise the potential for receptors further away (such as property owners and other animals) from being annoyed/distressed by the noise created when shooting. Furthermore, they reduce the likelihood of target animals to scatter, allowing for more effective feral animal control. Suppressors also reduce recoil felt by the shooter, allowing for more accurate shot placement and reduction in fatigue. Many other modern jurisdictions have allowed easier access to suppressors by assessing the actual impact of their use (and not being driven by emotive arguments). Please ensure the same is

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I am not going to put forward an argument for suppressors because others would have already done this. What concerns me is that people who have no idea what the discussion is actually about are able to influence these matters. Why can't research be done to look at the advantages of change rather than the crack pots who know nothing about the topic. Time and time again there is outrage about guns when actually Australia is a very safe place with an amazing safety record. Governments are forced to bring in completely unworkable laws to stop the media frenzy. Please, please let us have a sensible look at these topics and not try and be nice to the uneducated.

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I strongly object to this Bill and to giving greater freedom, access to land and government support to hunters. Hunting is not an effective, efficient or humane way to control non-native species or to protect native flora and fauna. Hunters don't hunt because they want to protect native animals and plants. They don't hunt to reduce the population of non-native species. They're not making a sacrifice for the greater good. They enjoy shooting and killing animals. As a society we should not support or encourage such a mentality or such behaviour.

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there are a few long term challenges with this bill - basic hunting won't control the population. by creating a right to hunt you will have to maintain populations of pest animals and this will blur lines and create more animosity and more polarisation of communities. the right to hunt doesn't exist and this bill brings it into legal existence which has its own challenges and future governments will have many challenges in this space. farmers will ultimately loose out- feral animals will use the farms as harbour and then hunters will demand the right to hunt on private property as it will be a constitutional right. hunting is not an effective control tool- your just trying to buy votes and land managers and rural communities will be the losers, your letting city hunters choose how rural areas are managed. there are multiple researched studies showing hunters aren't effective, globally in the UK, US, Spain ungulates can't be managed by hunting alone yet in a country where these animals aren't native you propose to somehow change that! poor judgement and poor policy which is about vote buying at the cost of rural australians

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Gun laws should be even tighter than are right now. It's a terrible decision to develop hunting grounds. I didn't expect the LABOUR GOVERNMENT to agree to such a policy

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I support license firearm holders to be able to use suppressors for hunting. Not just for our own hearing but for livestock as well I shoot at a commercial chicken farm for foxes and the blast from my rifle cause a lot to stress on stock. Also so its dangerous when we can't hear each other talk because of hearing protection. Horses and livestock have been injured on fences after the shot. Other countries use them eg NZ, England and the US it's not like Hollywood politicians need to educate themselves

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No public land should be available for hunting. Cruel and unnecessary. Cannot be properly monitored. Protect our forests etc including the animals. Hate to think what would happen if went ahead. No one needs this on Public Land too.

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it's makes animal control easier , while being good for target shooting around erderky shooters

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Hello I am a r license holder The r licence program has be a huge success in state forestry with 20+ years without a death or injury via a firearm I believe it would be fantastic to expand it or a new licence program into crown land to allow legal hunters/shooter to assist with the management of pest species in NSW saving the tax payer the costs of helicopter/contract shoots and 1080 baiting by using a the existing resource of responsible reational Hunters in NSW In summary Us rec hunters are more than welling to assist the NSW government in controlling pest species on public land in a save manner Kind regards

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Att Committee I briefly write as a local pest animal contractor on the border of Vic/NSW. We do work with Parks Vic, DEECA, private companies and landholders. My request is for nsw to make obtaining a companion licence or recognition easier and more clear across borders. The key issue is for suppressor use. I strongly suggest all Australian states follow the lead of NZ & UK and make suppressors an accessory and not a difficult item to obtain. I hold a section37 and associated suppressor permits in VIC. And having mutual recognition in NSW would be a simple and very useful action by this committee. Thanks

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No! to expanding hunting and fishing.

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I personally believe it makes much more sense to allow licenced firearm owners and bow hunters access to all national parks, state Forrest's and conservation reserves for the expressed purpose of harvesting feral animals such as pigs, cats, deer, goats, wild dogs. Most of the animals would be utilised by the hunters and not wasted and left to rot as carrion for other feral animals to thrive on. I myself used to be a firearms hunter but now I prefer bow hunting and do enjoy just getting out when I can to de-stress myself away from our family farm. At the end of the day I believe the money spent on aerial culling could be spent on much more realistically needed things like housing for homeless women with kids and the like. Thank you for your time.

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I would like common sense and financial costings to precede any unfounded judgements when deciding on the protection of the Australian landscape. For years government agencies have utilised aerial control over feral animals, pigs, deer etc, only to leave the animal on the ground creating other introduced problems such as smaller feral animals feeding from these animals and increasing their population numbers. This activity costs millions yearly, all the while there is a more sustainable cost effective resource that is struggling to make itself viable. On the ground hunters are capable of resulting in higher numbers of pest management by not only reducing the target species but by reducing any pest species they view, depending on safety and location allowances. I urge the government to take personal egos and political safe seating away from the equation and put Australia first. Without hunters and their legalised equipment the feral pest population will continue to increase. Allow the conservation hunting bill to protect the Australian landscape.

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To whom it may concern...let me start by saying this should concern anyone with an IQ above 100, unfortunately the under 80 IQ who would be the minority are the type who start putting arrows through wildlife for target practise. Australians can go to NZ if they want to harm animals, well harm first then bleed out from a bad kill, where the animal/bird Flees. So do we really want to be like Americans, oh!!! That's right...they have a right to bare arms-guess that will come next!!

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Dear Minister, Please stop the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025. It is dangerous for humans and animals, cruel, unjust and not wanted or needed. Pushing through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds is only inviting more crazies to use guns in public spaces and we have enough of those. Not only the animals need to worry what about the people using shared public space for recreation. How many of them could be shot by mistake. Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 should be dumped.

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I am completely against any relaxation of gun laws and an increase in hunting in NSW. The creation of a 'Minister' for Hunting and Fishing is a total waste of taxpayers money - money that could be better spent on housing than appeasing a small minority of voters.

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I cannot believe we are encouraging shooters in this day and age. Stop this madness before it gets started. We all have the right to enjoy our forests and wildlife. AND all supported by tax payer dollars !!!!! NEVER again will Labor get my vote if it pushes this one through!!

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I find this bill to be inline with safer and more ethical ways to hunt if passed and me as a hunter hold these values at a very high priority

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This bill poses serious implications for our native wildlife

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I urge the committee to reconsider the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment Bill 2025. The right to kill and maim animals is not a human right and should not be enshrined in any constitution. It is our responsibility to protect our world and our animals. This bill also opens up access to dangerous firearm suppressors which should not ever be available to the general public, due to the increased risk of human shootings. Please reconsider this dangerous and reckless legislation. Thank you for your consideration.

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Please don't allow hunters to hunt animals for recreation. If you think about it logically, the whole idea of hunting for fun is abhorrent. Why would one hunt for fun? There are many other ways to use one's time other than killing a sentient being because one feels like it. It's madness; it's cruel; it's inhumane. Please don't give in to those members of the public who wish to kill for fun. Please don't issue licences for guns...the whole idea of a gun licence to run about and kill unsuspecting animals is disturbing, to say the least. Please let common decency prevail.

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Current and historical feral animals management had failed miserably and will continue to fail our indigenous fauna and flora. 1080 poison has been banned in all countries globally except for Australia and NZ - it's a cruel and indiscriminate killer. Conservation hunting has proven safe, effective and free of cost when viewed in the State Forest R-License program. More access to public lands - National Parks in particular via an open to hunting season and remote areas access away from popular visitor areas is imperative to deliver a safer environment for our wildlife. Professional hunting contractors have proven expensive and inefficient particularly when leaving dead animals carcasses laying on the ground only to provide a food source for wild dogs, cats and foxes. It is particularly negligent supporting this approach. Recreational R License hunters are the best and most effective form of protection for Australian flora and fauna, it's a documented and time proven method. I urge you all to open your minds to change your views.

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stop killing of innocent animals

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The Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 is utterly devoid of merit. The dishonest and misleading wording included within is clearly an I'll conceived attempt to hide the true intent of the proposal and grant legitimacy to immoral and debased acts of violence and cruelty. I object whole heartedly to this proposal on both moral and logical grounds and hope that it is met and assessed appropriately.

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This proposed bill is completely wrong, we are living in 2025 will increase the number of weaponry in the community both legal and illegal.

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Re the Shooters Party Bill. It appears the Shooters Party have made a deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. This is abhorrent and unnecessary. If these people wish to shoot animals to use the whole animal for meat, clothing etc they already have the capacity to do this. A bunch of people shooting multiple animals which they don't need to eat or use in any way in reckless and disgusting. I would hazard a guess and say the majority of these types are not responsible, ethical hunters, simply trigger happy and reckless with no regard for the ecosystem and public land. It's a disgrace and needs to be stopped.

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The proposal to allow shooters to hunt in more public spaces, with silencers, and to increase the bounty is irresponsible and cruel. The conservation hunting bill goes against public safety, animal welfare and conservation and serves no purpose other than to give free reign to shooters to cause mayhem and carnage. Time should be wisely spent to bring about the promised, and widely supported, Great Koala National Park, cease indiscriminate logging of crucial wildlife habitat and reject the proposed conservation hunting Bill. NSW would be best served to follow ethical and science based approaches to conservation rather than going backwards and becoming a gun toting State!

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I would like to ask the government allow the use of suppressors on centrefire rifles for hunting on public land in NSW. Suppressors do NOT make the gunshot 'silent' and responsible firearm users would still wear hearing protection. A suppressor subdues the noise and is beneficial in not frightening or shocking livestock/horses/people which are in earshot. I find it frustrating that it is illegal NOT to use suppressors with centrefire rifles in the UK and they are strongly advised in New Zealand when hunting public land. A large benefit of suppressors is that targeted animals cannot locate where the gunshot has come from. This allows more than one shot to be taken before the targeted animal (for me deer, goats or pigs) scatter, which is what happens after a single shot unsuppressed. They also are more forgiving to the shooters hearing if hearing protection isn't in place prior to taking the shot(s).

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Please do not weaken gun laws. Do not encourage the slaughter of our wildlife. What is wrong with you? What size donation was made? No benefits to the NSW citizens to have more weapons available. How about focus on important issues like domestic violence, homelessness, etc.

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Dear Legislators, I wish to express my strong disapproval against allowing 50,000 hectares of land which is shared public space to be opened to hunting. I also am alarmed that the legislation will allow hunters to apply for access to prohibited weapons in NSW. We need tigher gun controls not more lax gun controls. Regards

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I strongly oppose the proposed legislation to expand hunting access across 50,000 hectares of public land and establish a new Minister for Hunting and Fishing. Allowing recreational hunters into protected parks is fundamentally wrong. These areas are meant to be safe havens for native wildlife - refuges where animals can live, breed, and recover without the threat of violence. Introducing hunters into these spaces undermines the very purpose of conservation and puts countless species, including non-target and threatened animals, at risk of injury, suffering, and death. The prospect of allowing access to prohibited weapons only compounds this concern. It opens the door to cruelty, mismanagement, and irreversible ecological damage. The creation of a Game Council-style oversight body, funded by the public, is an insult to the values that underpin our national parks system. The original Game Council was shut down for good reason, and this proposal would repeat its mistakes at scale. Public lands should be safe, both for people and for wildlife. Hunting has no place in our protected areas. I urge the Government to reject this legislation in the interest of animal welfare, conservation integrity, and public trust. Sincerely,

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Allowing this bill to progress can only be an extremely dangerous step backwards. Loosening gun laws and allowing hunters to apply for prohibited weapons even to 'registered' persons is certainly not a guarantee of public safety or humane death of wildlife or any creature. Monitoring of such activities is virtually impossible with the cruel suffering of some animals left to die a slow painful death being unavoidable as already proven. Allowing this to occur on shared public land and turning 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds is an extremely worrying and frightening scenario, not only putting human life at risk but removing the sanctuary and safety such areas should provide to all.

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Why are you opening up free animal cruelty. These hunters may have firearms licences but for a fact I know that most of these people get joy from cruelty and tgey are not governed. Your heading in the wrong direction.

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To Whom It May Concern, I find the prospect of an extra 50,000 hectares of shared public space in NSW becoming accessible to hunters alarming. Hunting is not a past time that is compatible with shared spaces. As a regular bushwalker in NSW I find the prospect of sharing access to such spaces with hunters frightening. As I am sure the birdwatchers, the mountain bikers, many four wheel drivers, the families out for a day in nature and the rest of the population that does not hunt will as well. I understand that this proposal also opens up the prospect for NSW based hunters to apply for access to prohibited weapons. In a world where Port Arthur was Australia's taste of poor gun control laws and a world where mass shootings are a regular occurrence in other countries, why would we consider providing further access to weapons, especially prohibited ones? Please reconsider this proposal.

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Please don't allow this to pass. It will be a disaster and there will be people out shooting constantly. It's going to worsen the redneck mentality and too many animals will be killed or injured. It's so upsetting.

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I wish to support the ban on hunting. In this day and age it is reprehensible to consider killing a sport. The amount of damage humans do to the ecological system has already been seen in climate change. We need to allow our natural environment to heal and restore balance. In addition the amount of casualties and animals left to die suffering challenges our humanity. We cannot as a country allow this type of suffering to occur if we want higher values to govern our citizens. I ask you to please act with kindness, not apathy and ban hunting.

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Parliament should approve the the conserbation hunters bill to all Recreation shootets to participate in controlling feral species.

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PLEASE! Give the wildlife a fair chance. The proposal by the Shooters and Fishers is in no way acceptable. It is madness to open extra land to allow the hunting of our wildlife, and make no mistake, whatever reassurances the H & S party give about only killing feral animals, you can guarantee that when they are out there, virtually anything that moves will be a target. There are no positives to this proposal, only the decimation of our wildlife.

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This is my modest proposal: Delete Schedule 1, as redundant and bloat. Delete Schedule 2, as redundant and bloat. Delete Schedule 3, as redundant and bloat. Delete Schedule 4, 4.1 Forestry Act 2012 No 96, as redundant and bloat. Change Schedule 4, 4.2 Weapons Prohibition Act 1998 No 127 Section 11 Genuine reason Insert at the end of section 11(2), Table— Reason: Gun ownership must be encouraged by this sitting of the State Government. Gun ownership in this state is to be fully subsidised by the NSW State Government, for any firearm that a resident or visitor of the state wishes to own. All state gun licensing is to be abolished. This is to say that I am absolutely against this bill, in its wording and spirit. If it was to pass, then we will certainly reconsider our voting preferences.

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To Whom It May Concern, I would ask that the proposed plan of opening more community land to allow gun shooters more access to bushland to supposedly assist in decreasing numbers of potential animals seen as pests to be denied. I live in a border town of Victoria, within minutes of N.S.W. and see the natural land of N.S.W. as a significant tourist attraction to the area...tourists who are willing to support country towns longer than seasonal gun shooters do and tourists who do not leave rubbish and human excrement wherever they have camped. Please consider the long term potential of boosting of income to border shires by tourists who are willing to return to enjoy the natural environment available..not those who casually will raise a gun and shoot at whatever they can see, irrespective of what is permitted by law and is ineffectively self policed by their own members.

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Dear Sir/Madam I wish to state that I am against your proposal of opening up the national bush as far as allowing hunters free range to hunt especially for their own fun. I am against guns and even though I know farmers have the right to kill that which they consider vermin on their properties, hunting for fun is like the big game hunters of old killing exotic animals just for their pelts. I understand that we have an issue with certain animals beings considered pests but there must be a better way of dealing with this issue than allowing those who like guns, and allowing silencers, free access to our bushland just to satisfy their bloodlust which essentially what it is. There is danger in allowing this, lives lost people and animals that aren't even meant to be targeted also lost. There will be consequences because for every action there is an equal and opposite reaction. I ask that you reconsider this and don't let this happen. There are better ways and maybe researching what other countries have done to control animals considered as pests might be worthwhile. Thank You

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Amend the bill and allow for firearms licence holders to purchase and use suppressors

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The expansion to allow hunting on public land is barbaric. There is no need to pursue animals in the name of sport or to “protect” agricultural land. There is a great concern that animals will be hunted until there is a risk of extinction but the shooters don’t care. Why hasn’t there been a public announcement in the regards to this bill - I am certain most Australians would be horrified.

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We do not need to have our gun laws relaxed (quite the opposite) so that we become even more like the United States!

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I think it's crazy to let people hunt in areas that have been delegated as public land. There are so many things that could go wrong and I strongly disagree with the idea.

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Dear Sir/ madam, I do not want armed hunters roaming around public lands shooting at animals. I have horses on an acreage and dogs. i want to be able to walk with my dogs on leashes on crown land reserves for example without fear of being shot by accident. I also want to be able to ride my horses on legal riding trails in National parks and Crown land without similar fears. Neither do i or my children & grandchildren want to come across corpses of animals that were not shot cleanly that crawled away to be found by us. This is already happening in Kosi national Park with Brumbies being shot out of helicopters. What a joke the RSPCA think this is ok!!!! Yours sincerely

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Under the NSW WHS hierarchy of controls. The first step is engineering, designing and implementing of a control measure to reduce the risk or hazard. The final step of the hierarchy of controls is PPE/PPC. This can be directly related to the use of a suppressor and hearing protection. NSW FAR and Government has overlooked their own guidance and completely ignored themselves and the calls of shooter's and hunters for years. Just to pander to the fear mongering and lack of education of the public and policy makers. The use of suppressors is good enough if a contract shooter, it should be good enough for recreational hunters and shooters.

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Please stop the Shooters Party with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds and gives hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW. Why would this bill be allowed? Why allow a bill that will drastically expands hunting in state forests, puts onerous requirements on Councils to consult with hunting bodies, and establishes an oversight body using taxpayer money, which was used in other similar council that was so poorly managed it had to be shut down!

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I write to oppose the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025. The bill's proposed bounty scheme encourages indiscriminate killing of goats, pigs, cats, dogs and rabbits, rewarding body-counts rather than targeting ecological outcomes. Such bounty programmes have repeatedly failed overseas, frequently increasing pest numbers as hunters leave breeding adults to assure future paydays. Opening more than 50 000 hectares of shared public land to recreational shooters also runs the risk of endangering bushwalkers, campers and volunteer conservation workers. Creating a new Minister for Hunting and Fishing would embed the commercial interests of the shooting lobby in government decision-making, compromising evidence-based wildlife management. Genuine conservation requires integrated, humane and scientifically supervised control programs conducted by trained professionals, not ad-hoc weekend hunts. Representing shooting for sport as conservation is misleading and unethical. Scientific reviews show that uncontrolled hunting disperses target species, makes them harder to eradicate, typically involves suffering of the targeted individual animals, and harms non-target fauna through wounding, orphaning and noise disturbance. Public opinion polling consistently favours humane and professional control methods over recreational killing. This bill sacrifices animal welfare, public safety, and ecological integrity to satisfy a narrow recreational agenda. I urge the Committee to reject the bill and instead invest in coordinated, humane, science-led pest management strategies.

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The Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 is a regressive piece of legislation that seeks to expand recreational hunting in New South Wales under the guise of conservation. This bill would establish a 'right to hunt,' elevate hunters' influence in public land management, and increase hunting on Crown land. "There are significant animal welfare concerns, there's no proper oversight, and anyone walking around public spaces with guns poses an enormous public safety risk." The bill opens over 50,000 hectares of public land to recreational shooters – I object to this, it introduces ineffective bounty systems for killing various animals, and creates a Minister for Hunting and Fishing, prioritising hunting over community safety and wildlife protection. I strongly oppose this bill for several reasons: - Expanding hunting on public land increases safety risks for bushwalkers, families, and pets. - Bounty systems lead to inhumane practices and animal suffering. - Labelling hunting as "conservation" is misleading and ignores scientific management techniques. - Establishing a ministerial position for hunting undermines evidence-based wildlife management. I urge the committee to reject this bill and instead support non-lethal, scientifically backed wildlife management programs.

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Please do not bow to pressure from a violent minority. I bushwalk in a number of states. I do not want shooters where I may be walking. Our public owned national and state parks should not become a hunting ground. Don't be like Victoria.

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I would like to oppose the proposed bill to open more public land for hunters and shooters for the following reasons : Many of these "so called" hunters have no regard for any wildlife or the natural environment. Most of the hunters and shooters I have come across have a "redneck" attitude towards wildlife and will shoot and kill any animal within sight regardless of whether it is a targeted feral pest or an endangered species. Many shooters pollute the landscape with rubbish such as alcohol bottles and cans, plastics and cigarette butts. Firearm safety is often disregarded especially when under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Many animals shot are often wounded and left suffering. Wounded dying kangaroos with Joey's in pouch are frequent victims. Public bushland should be reserved for wildlife, nature enthusiasts and hikers. Shooters and hunters are a threat to the safety of anyone who happens to be in the area. Over my decades of experience as a nature enthusiast and recreational gold and gem prospector, I would accurately estimate approximately only 10% of hunters have a professional and sensible attitude whilst the remainder show complete contempt for all wildlife, the environment and safety protocols.

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Animals have the right to live free and we should appreciate that freedom...

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I oppose the Bill and find it onerous that hunters be given any right to shoot on public land, creating danger for other land users and native animals. Nor should hunters and fishers be given exclusive rights to access any land let alone 50'000 hectares of what is now public land. Our land is for all Australians, not a select few. This land should be able to be enjoyed by families, bird watchers, hikers and tourists, without threat to their safety and without being excluded so a minority can use the area for the unnecessary killing of wildlife or other animals. I do not see the point of having a minister specifically responsible for hunting and fishing and consider these proposals a massive waste of taxpayer dollars. Hunting does nothing to reduce feral animal populations according to sound ecological evidence and science and should not be entertained as any kind of response or solution to feral animal populations. Only rehabilitation of keystone predators such as dingoes and birds of prey will be successful in reducing feral populations of animals. Councils should not have to consult with hunting bodies, this is ludicrous. No Australian should have access to prohibited weapons. Prohibited weapons have no place in our society. This creates an unacceptable danger to all Australians. I once held a gun license and still recognise the major problems with this Bill. I call on this Bill to be abolished.

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We must not allow this madness to go through. No hunting, no guns.

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I am writing my submission to say DO NOT OPEN UP 50,000 hectares of shared public space to hunters. Public land should be a SAFE SPACE for humans and animals alike. In these days of extreme mental health issues and over population, we need all the open and bush spaces we can get to decompress and breathe. Our animals are under severe threat from habitat destruction caused by over population, from drought, from floods and from wildfires. Leave the bush to the general population and wildlife - NOT TO HUNTERS! Thank you

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My submission is AGAINST opening up 50,0000 hectares of national parks for hunting. It is a complete public safety nightmare. Our parks should provide SAFE SPACE for animals and humans alike. In these days if climate change, droughts, floods, wild fires, our animals need a safe space to live. The general population desperately needs a safe, green space to escape overcrowded cities. It is vital for our mental health to be able to access large, safe green spaces to escape the rat race. Save our public national parks - NO TO HUNTING!

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To the Minister Hon. Courtney Houssos, MLC, The hon. Dear Courtney It has come to my attention that The Shooters Party have made a deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. With climate catastrophies affecting our unique wildlife already I stronly appose any legislation that relaxes gun laws and increases hunters opportunity to kill animals. Please vote against this legislation for the sake of conservation.

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As much as I don't live in NSW, I am completely against this bill to allow hunters to have access to public land. Hunting is a blood sport regardless of the reason or any other name hunters wish to use. There is no reason to kill any animal for any reason. It had been well proven that hunting to control animals has no effect. There are other methods to manage animals than simply shooting. It should be remembered that most animals die in agony than a "quick death" hunters claim. The public as a whole are against animal cruelty which this bill is, opening up public land for hunters to stalk around is wrong in every sense. Even the projectiles are either lead or lead core which also causes damage to the environment and other animals may become exposed to that lead as well. No doubt the lead will find its way into the soil and waterways. Stop this bill!

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I was appalled to read of the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 which will relax gun laws, turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds and gives hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW. It drastically expands hunting in state forests, puts onerous requirements on Councils to consult with hunting bodies, and establishes an oversight body using taxpayer money similar to the fraught Game Council that was so poorly managed it had to be shut down. I totally disagree with recreational hunting, it is cruel and unnecessary (except in certain circumstances for feral animal control). Please do not allow such drastic changes to the existing bill.

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Dear NSW law makers, I am aghast to hear the Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 was introduced to the NSW Parliament. The Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025 is a dangerous and regressive piece of legislation that seeks to expand recreational hunting in New South Wales under the guise of conservation. It proposes sweeping changes that will enshrine a 'right to hunt', give hunters a louder voice in public land management and allow more hunting on Crown land. "There are significant animal welfare concerns, there's no proper oversight, and anyone walking around public spaces with guns provides an enormous public safety risk." Please respect the science and the history of similar bills in NSW to control feral animals. Making a blood sport legal under the guise of conservation is wasting precious public money with serious public safety implications as more guns (including gun silencers) will circulate in public hands. Murdering innocent animals should never be an acceptable "sport" or "entertainment" for the killers. More guns in public hands will only lead to more gender violence and killing of women. Please do not proceed with this proposal in the name of humanity. Thank you. Yours sincerely,

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Why are we doing deals with the shooters party? A party defined by gun play affecting our wild life is absurd and out of date. We need to be protecting our animals, parks and shared spaces. We did not vote for labour to give away animal rights to blood thirsty gun holders. We must protect our wildlife as they cannot protect themselves. Shooters party members need to find a more 21st century appropriate hobby. Put your guns down.

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I am writing as a licensed firearms owner in New South Wales to respectfully submit my support for the legalisation and regulated use of firearm suppressors (also known as sound moderators or silencers) in our state. Suppressors are often misunderstood due to their portrayal in media, yet in reality, they serve practical and legitimate purposes that promote safety, health, and environmental stewardship. Many other jurisdictions in Australia and internationally already allow their use under strict regulation, and I believe NSW should follow suit. I am writing as a licensed firearms owner in New South Wales to respectfully submit my support for the legalisation and regulated use of firearm suppressors (also known as sound moderators or silencers) in our state. Suppressors are often misunderstood due to their portrayal in media, yet in reality, they serve practical and legitimate purposes that promote safety, health, and environmental stewardship. Many other jurisdictions in Australia and internationally already allow their use under strict regulation, and I believe NSW should follow suit.

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Please don't normalise killing. Australia is a civilised country.

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Hello, I'm writing this because i have great concerns about the possibility of allowing more hunting of our animals throughout NSW. I have the same concerns for allowing hunters to apply for access to prohibited weapons. I'm against the hunting of animals in general, let alone the idea of more access to hunt & more access to weaponry. NSW government doesn't protect enough of our wildlife. We seem to be going backwards when it comes to animal care/rights. I'm against this Bill that would give more rights to hunters to kill our wildlife. Regards,

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I enjoy taking the family away, sharing experiences like camping, hiking, seeing the night sky and shooting stars. We enjoy finding abandoned old shacks in the middle of nowhere and seeing history. We also enjoy conservation of our native animals and defending them against introduced feral species

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I believe it would be dangerous to allow hunting in many parts of the country where it has previously been prohibited. The introduction of more powerful and previously banned weapons would bring Australia closer to the American scene where mass shootings are common. I would implore you to consider this matter very carefully with the American experience in mind.

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In this era of ever increasing gun violence, now is not the time to encourage firearm use or relax laws around firearms or expand areas of permitted usage. Furthermore the proven acts of cruelty involved with hunting game by the general public in areas where their acts can go unnoticed, demonstrate this should not be expanded or encouraged through a relaxation of laws and regulations. Rather there should be a tightening of restrictions and regulations and feral animal management should be conducted by professionals. These state parks should be reserved for passive recreation for all to enjoy, not or unhinged gun slinging public to carry out their acts of cruelty away from public scrutiny.

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To whom it may concern: I would like to put forward the submission to express my deep dismay and concern to hear that the Shooters Party are attempting a deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. Please do not give in to this pressure and turn Australia into another US. This is the sort of “slow creep” that people who like to murder animals for pleasure slowly exert on governments. The labour party is better than this and the reason I voted for labour was because I had faith in them giving a voice to defenceless animals. I do not understand how Parliamentary time can even be spent on ridiculous issues such as this when we have greater issues at hand. Bloodsport is a heinous and barbaric activity and anyone who supports this has blood on their hands. I urge for this submission to be taken seriously and for this horrendous relaxation of gun laws and turning state land over to thrill killers be stopped. Please do not let Australia become the US. Thank you.

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Appeal to legalise using suppressors while hunting in NSW

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I write to parliament strongly encouraging you to support The Conservation Hunting Bill 2025 in full. As someone from the country and who spends a large amount of time in the country, the damage caused by feral animals on our native fauna and flora is horrific. A multi faceted approach is clearly necessary. However; with the high cost of some methods and the damage caused too non target species by poisoning programs, any efforts to stop licensed and appropriately educated volunteers from contributing to a solution is a slap in the face to our native ecosystems. Hunting in state forests has been proven over the last 20 years to be a safe and ethical practice. I strongly encourage you to support schedule 4.2 of the bill to allow conservation hunting as a genuine reason for a licensed shooter to own a suppressor. It should be noted, suppressors do NOT make firearms silent. Suppressors are NOT a danger to the community. Suppressors are used in other countries like New Zealand and England without issue. Suppressors do allow for more effective management of pest animals. Suppressors make the use of firearms safer. If criminals wanted access to suppressors there are easily accessible videos on Youtube that show how to turn a car oil filter into a very effective suppressor. I highly doubt we are going to place restrictions on Super Cheap Auto selling car oil filters. Kind regards and thank you for reading my submission.

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Dear Members of Parliament, I am writing to oppose a the "Conservation Hunting Bill 2025". The proposed bill would put animals, public land and community safety at risk! The bill would open 50,000+ hectares of public land to recreational shooters, endangering bushwalkers, families and pets. Proposed bounty systems to reward the killing of animals like goats, pigs, cats, dogs and rabbits are widely discredited methods, known to be ineffective and inhumane. Creating a Minister for Hunting and Fishing, embeds animal killing into government. We do not need more cruelty, we need more kindness! The bill tries to rebrand animal cruelty as “conservation” while ignoring science and public safety. This bill has nothing to do with conservation or managing invasive species. This is about pushing a recreational killing agenda. Please stop this bill and protect our already challenged animals! In kindness

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Hunting Bill should be further investigated - it seems unsafe for the public and unnecessary carnage to wildlife which has its place in maintaining a balance in the bush

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keep the bush open for hunting by opening up spotlighting for all pest animals

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I categorically oppose The Shooters Party deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. This is a heinous and morally criminal deal!!!

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It is incomprehensible that the NSW Labor government are considering doing a deal with the Shooters Party and opening up national parks to hunting. This is truly abhorrent. National parks are to protect animals and nature and to provide peace and sanctuary for humans. In a world that is already extremely violent and becoming increasingly barbaric, we need less violence and no guns and weapons. Hunting perpetuates a killing mentality, and as long as humans kill for so called recreation we perpetuate a killing mentality which has other negative impacts across culture and society. To not acknowledge the sentience of animals and to consider allowing the killing of defenceless animals, because clearly an animal has absolutely no chance against a human with a gun, is cruel and unnecessary. The killing of innocent animals has no place in a so called modern, progressive and humane society. This proposal is a shocking idea. National parks need to protect animals, nature and peace. I am hoping that decency, compassion, humanity and common sense will prevail and the NSW government will not negotiate with the Shooters Party to open up national parks to hunting. I want to live in a society that is evolving and not going backwards.

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The Shooters Party have made a deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. This Bill creates a Minister for Hunting and Fishing and gives hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW. It drastically expands hunting in state forests, puts onerous requirements on Councils to consult with hunting bodies, and establishes an oversight body using taxpayer money similar to the fraught Game Council that was so poorly managed it had to be shut down. I vehemently oppose this Bill and I hope that it is shut down

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To whom it may concern. Regarding dangerous proposed changes to NSW Hunting bill The new Bill if passed in NSW would include a 'right to hunt' and move towards an American style hunting agenda. This is a backward proposal. The Bill would establish a Conservation Hunting Authority in NSW which would oversee hunting activities and related matters. Licensing requirements for game hunting, recreation, commercial, and professional deer hunting would potentially be removed. The Nature Conservation Council of NSW says it would put public safety and nature at risk, the Invasive Species Council states it is dangerous and misleading, and the Biodiversity Council says the Bill is not supported by science. I wish to express my opposition to the Bill, it's a backward step that will jeopardise human safety and biodiversity.

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I would like to express my support for the Conservation Hunting Bill, unamended. I'm a professional acoustic consultant who also hunts feral goats for food and pest control on private land, and am also interested in hunting deer for food. I prefer to eat animals that have been humanely hunted rather than raised in an industrial agriculture system then transported in high stress environments to slaughter. I particularly would like to express support for allowing the legal use of suppressors by licensed hunters. The reduction in noise will reduce hearing damage among hunters and I would like to be able to use a suppressor in addition to my normal ear protection, to continue to preserve my hearing which is critical for my work. I see suppressors as personal protective equipment, with no evidence based reason for them to be illegal.

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Dear Members of the Committee, I write to request that you act with care in allowing the Shooters plan for a new "hunting authority" in NSW. Judging by their policy as it appears on their website, it will be a free for all, with unregistered bows and arrows, night shooting, 4 wheel drives on beaches, and general mayhem with guns in close proximity to the public. I hate to think what it could all mean for public safety and for the animals, both wild and domesticated. I hope you see it , with your experience, to keep these mad policies where they belong...as a policy thought bubble and not as the reality of real danger for the NSW public. Yours Sincerely

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To whom it may concern: I would like to put forward the submission to express my deep dismay and concern to hear that the Shooters Party are attempting a deal with Labor to push through legislation to relax gun laws and turn 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. Please do not give in to this pressure and turn Australia into another US. This is the sort of “slow creep” that people who like to murder animals for pleasure slowly exert on governments. The labour party is better than this and the reason I voted for Labor was because I had faith in them giving a voice to defenceless animals. I do not understand how Parliamentary time can even be spent on ridiculous issues such as this when we have greater issues at hand. Bloodsport is a heinous and barbaric activity and anyone who supports this has blood on their hands. I urge for this submission to be taken seriously and for this horrendous relaxation of gun laws and turning state land over to thrill killers be stopped. Please do not let Australia become the US. Thank you Yours sincerely

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In regard to Game and Feral Animal Legislation Amendment (Conservation Hunting) Bill 2025, I would like to express the importance in my opinion that this bill is taken seriously and passed. Hunting for pest control in NSW is not only a great privilege but also a necessity. With more pest species causing major issues than in the past, calling on the government to assist with aerial culling is not only inhumane but also a waste of the tax payers money when we have many licences hunters willing to help out.

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The introduction of a bounty on animals will do nothing but cause unnecessary killing of unintended species. Bounties have not worked in the past as a means for feral animal control and in fact can lead to criminal activity. It is unthinkable to allow members of the public to go into state forests with a free license to inflict harm. I urge you strongly not to pass this bill

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My submission is in SUPPORT of this Bill. People of NSW and Australia in general should have the right to Hunt albeit either on their private property or within Public Lands designated for hunting. There are many scientific reasons to support ethical and sustainable hunting practices, and these should be considered firstly when making any decisions around hunting. Emotions and fear mongering from the Media or activist groups need to be excluded from the conversation as it adds zero value. Hunting for Food, Environmental conservation, pest management and asset protection are some of the many reasons individuals need to hunt. In addition to a right to hunt we should also be considering raising the 'ban' on suppressors or allowing them to be utilised more freely when hunting. There are many scientific reasons to support the use of such devices, like reduces risk of a hearing damage to the hunter and others, reduces nuisance noise to surrounding areas, reduces shock to nearby native species, enables follow up shots when carrying out pest management of large mobs of pigs for example and many more. With the consideration of opening up more public land to licensed hunters this is something that would reduce the impact on surrounding residents.

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I wish to submit my opposition to the proposed NSW Hunting Bill. The establishment of a Conservation Hunting Authority in NSW sets a dangerous, American-style, pro-hunting agenda. Such a proposal is not supported by rigorous science and is opposed by leading organisations such as the Nature Conservation Council, Invasive Species Council and the Biodiversity Council. This is a backward proposal. Handing authority to hunters will not make the state safer or aid in conservation.

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I am deeply concerned by the NSW Labour Government making a deal with The Shooters Party to have legislation that relaxes gun laws and turns 50,000 hectares of shared public space into hunting grounds. How, on earth, has this Bill made it this far through the planning process? How has relaxing gun laws not been an immediate red flag? How has losing 50,000 (!) hectares of public space to hunting not been questioned. It is vital this inquiry is taken very seriously. As a person who lives right on the border with NSW and enters the State every week, I am totally against this Bill that gives hunters the ability to apply for access to all prohibited weapons in NSW. This would be such a momentous step backwards in community safety, animal welfare practices. Permitting this drastic expansion of hunting in State forests will be catastrophic and repeating some poorly actioned past mistakes (e.g., the fraught Game Council that was so poorly managed it had to be shut down). Learn from past mistakes. Think about what century we are. Why create a Bill to appease such a minority amount of your constituents? Please, do not pass this Bill. Consider the wider community, consider the purpose of public space, consider the native wildlife that reside within those 50,000 hectares. It has been shown that laws around annual duck hunting seasons in our Country cannot be safely monitored and enforced. Likewise, the same will happen within this site if the same is attempted.