

**INQUIRY INTO DINGOES IN NATIONAL PARKS IN NEW
SOUTH WALES**

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I live in Queensland now, but born in NSW and most of my extended family reside in NSW today.

I am writing to urge the committee to grant full native species protection to the Dingo (*Canis dingo*) and immediately halt lethal "wild dog" control programs in NSW National Parks.

Key Reasons for Protection:

Ecological Necessity: As Australia's apex predator for over 11,000 years, Dingoes maintain ecosystem balance via trophic cascades, suppressing feral cats and foxes to protect threatened wildlife.

Flawed Classification: The "wild dog" label is a linguistic loophole that allows a native species to be trapped, shot, and poisoned with 1080 inside protected parks. Recent genomic research proves the vast majority of these animals are high-purity Dingoes.

Lethal Failure: Aerial baiting disrupts stable packs, fracturing social structures and increasing the likelihood of domestic dog interbreeding. True conservation requires Predator Smart Farming (like Maremma guardian dogs) instead of eradication.

Cultural Disrespect: Dingoes hold profound Cultural and spiritual significance for First Nations people. Current management practices ignore this ancestral connection.

Your Custodial Duty: As the current lawmakers over lands and animals of this part of the world, it is your honour bound and God-given righteous duty to care for these fauna and flora to the best of your ability. The current proposal, erroneously and frivolously delineating Dingoes as Wild Dogs is NOT the best of your ability.

I request that the NSW Government correctly reclassify the Dingo as a protected native species across all public lands and replace lethal baiting with non-lethal, science-backed management.

Sincerely,