

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

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I am writing to express my strong support for stronger protections for New South Wales' dingoes and to urge the Committee to recommend policies that recognise their vital ecological role. Dingoes are Australia's largest remaining terrestrial apex predator and are essential to maintaining healthy ecosystems by helping regulate populations of introduced predators and overabundant herbivores. Decisions affecting their future should be guided by the best available independent scientific evidence and by a precautionary approach that safeguards biodiversity and ecosystem resilience. The current inquiry presents an important opportunity to ensure that long-term environmental outcomes are prioritised over short-term or narrow interests.

The continued persecution of dingoes through lethal control risks disrupting natural ecological processes and may have unintended consequences for native wildlife and landscapes. Increasing scientific research has highlighted the ecological benefits that intact dingo populations can provide, including supporting healthier ecosystems through natural predator-prey relationships. Greater emphasis should be placed on coexistence strategies, non-lethal management, and protecting genetically and ecologically significant dingo populations rather than relying on widespread killing. These approaches better reflect contemporary conservation principles while reducing unnecessary harm to wildlife.

I respectfully ask the Committee to recommend stronger legal protections for dingoes, increased investment in independent ecological research, and management frameworks that prioritise biodiversity conservation alongside the interests of regional communities. Future policy should recognise dingoes as an irreplaceable part of Australia's natural heritage and ensure that their management is transparent, evidence-based, and consistent with the long-term health of New South Wales' environment. Thank you for considering my submission.