

Wildlife Act Review

Submission Comment 317:

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Primary interests:

- Private and/or commercial keeping, breeding, trading, displaying and/or processing of wildlife or wildlife product

Comment

Hello Panel As a former member for some 23 years to the Wildlife Trade and Advisory Committee (WIPTAC) in respect to matters related to the activities of taxidermists in this state, I found it very disappointing that this forum for comment and input for the various licencing stake holders was unexplainably shut down around 2014 . It came as a complete surprise to all the individuals who had worked for decades with a common goal in the best interests of wildlife trade and it's sustainability. Many of the Departments key participants were even taken by surprise that it had be scrapped. Changes were considered at these meetings through a thorough assessment and consideration of conflicts process, and it enabled for an ongoing and progressive system to keep abreast of current and ever changing factors to wildlife possession and trade . It would be ideal that this forum could be ressurected, so that constructive dialogue, on an ongoing basis, be conducted between the Department and the various user groups,(commercial and private) rather than a once every decade "call for input".

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