

**ONLINE SUBMISSION DETAILS**

<b>Date Received</b>	10/03/2017
<b>Organisation</b>	Individual
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<b>How do you think we should improve the FFG Act?</b>	<p>Having browsed the brochure, I think your initial proposals for improvement are on the right track. We need stronger enforcement powers - more monitoring and stronger penalties, and no exemptions for forestry etc. Members of the public should be able to initiate legal action under the Act. And there should be targets to achieve recovery of threatened species within a certain time.</p> <p>It is amazing how blasé we are about the extinction of species - considering that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- they are the canaries in the coal mine signalling the prospects of our own species</li><li>- there is nothing more amazing in the universe than life; and</li><li>- the only life we know about is the life on this incredible planet we happen to inhabit; and</li><li>- if we found evidence of a microorganism on Mars we would spare no expense to ensure its survival; and yet</li><li>- we don't really seem to give a stuff about Leadbetter's Possum if it gets between some wood chipper and his short-term profits and jobs.</li></ul>