

Wildlife Act Review

Submission Comment 250:

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Primary interests:

- Protection and conservation of wildlife and habitat
- Wildlife welfare
- Rehabilitation of sick, injured and orphaned wildlife

Comment

My name is Marguerite Cordell and I am a keen animal lover. I have been involved in wildlife protection and rescue for over 30 years and specialise in possum rehabilitation.

Thank you for the opportunity to have my say on this review of the Victorian Wildlife Act.

The act needs reviewing to bring it up to date.

Wildlife needs to be protected so it does not become extinct. Extinction rates in Australia are the worst in the world.

Agriculture needs to be done in a way that wildlife is not impacted.

Humans need to learn to appreciate wildlife and its role in the future.

Penalties need to increase and be policed where wildlife is exploited.

Duck shooting should be banned in Victoria as it is in other states.

Drivers, especially at dawn and dusk, need to learn to take more care. Seeing the carnage and suffering of wildlife on roads should and can be prevented and reduced with proper fencing to start with. Plus drivers taking extra care and lower speed limits along known corridors. These areas need adequate signage.

I hope the revised Wildlife Act will prioritize the protection of Wildlife in Victoria.

Thank you for considering my thoughts and comments.

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