

ONLINE SUBMISSION DETAILS

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How do you think we should improve the FFG Act?	<p>One improvement would be a complete ban on duck shooting As things stand endangered and threatened species fall victim to the duck shooters. Also many birds are wounded and left to suffer. If a species such as the Leadbeater's possum, the brush-tailed rock wallaby, the long-footed potoroo or tiger quoll is under threat then saving it is more important than serving the interest of an industry or a government department. That is one reason Victoria needs a Great Forest National Park. That is also the reason the Minister responsible should have the power to intervene to save species or habitats.</p> <p>There should also be resources available for the control of feral animals such as foxes, feral cats, deer and brumbies. If a good deal of research is required to find ways to control them then so be it. Money should be made available for proper enforcement. Penalties should be something that hurts, not, metaphorically speaking, slaps on the wrists.</p> <p>For a given species such as Leadbeater's possum, it needs to be established what needs to be done for it and when it needs to be done. Also, the community needs to be able to initiate action if a species, the striped legless lizard for instance is in danger from a development, action that will preserve it.</p> <p>I certainly hope that the Derrimut Grasslands has the maximum legal protection. When I go past I am pleased to see that it is still possible to see hectares of kangaroo grass. There is so little native grassland left</p>