

Wildlife Act Review

Submission Comment 68:

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Primary interests:

- Protection and conservation of wildlife and habitat
- Offences and penalties relating to wildlife
- Compliance and enforcement

Comment

There is a strong need for further protection of our native wildlife. This includes protection of remaining habitats, including urban / green wedge habitat. As an example, the 100 acres nature reserve in Park Orchards still had a population of koalas and wombats 15 years ago. Koalas and Wombats are gone now due to loss of tree cover / loss of intact wildlife corridors and loss of native vegetation on neighbouring properties. There are still wallabies, kangaroos, echidnas, frogs, lizards and snakes that need stronger protection; land of high conservation value needs to be protected from uses and activities that harm and endanger native wildlife. Stop use of 1080 poison and find humane alternatives as a last resort. Stop issuing permits to cull native wildlife on golf courses and for the convenience of land owners. Stop duck shooting seasons immediately. Ducks are native wildlife that are part of our environment, there is no need to have ducks harvested by hunters, times have changed. Issue stronger penalties for breach of the Act. Protect our wildlife and aim to increase biodiversity across Victoria..

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