

Submission to Wildlife act Mary Connor.

Strengthening the wildlife Act is more critical than ever after the bushfires and this should include habitat protection.

Habitat Protection

Roadside trees and vegetation even in the forest needs protection, except those have genuinely declared dangerous by an arborist. Forest fire management are taking old habitat trees on roadsides before and after planned burns. Planned burns, even of low intensity get into hollow trees and remove them from the forest by the second and third planned burn. long unburnt forest of which there are less than 7% in Gippsland need preserving in their undisturbed state as they are invaluable habitat. Bushfire management zones (BMZ) planned burns which contribute to area targets should stop especially after the !(/@) bushfires

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Forest Fire Management should be accountable to the wildlife act as well: we in the community should have the right to protect habitat from Forest Fire Management. they say they are legislated to burn no matter what effect it has on habitat and wildlife.

Logging must stop in burnt and unburnt forests immediately

OTHER AGENCIES SHOULD ALSO NOT BE EXEMPT FROM THE WILDLIFE ACT.

Duck shooting must stop

Offenders against the provision of the wildlife act should face heavier penalties

Exotic feral species such as deer should have no protection under the wildlife act