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Game and Feral Animal Control Amendment Bill 2012

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Proposed amendments

No. 1 Page 6. Insert after line 4:

[18] Section 20 Declaration of public lands available for hunting game

Insert after section 20 (4):

- (4A) The responsible Minister for national park estate land must not make a declaration in respect of that land unless the Minister is satisfied that any hunting activities on that land resulting from the declaration:
 - (a) will be effectively supervised and regulated, and
 - (b) will effectively contribute to the control and eradication of pest animals on that land.
- No. 2 Page 6, Schedule 1 [18], proposed section 20A. Insert after line 26:
 - (4) Only the national park estate land specified in Schedule 3B can be the subject of a declaration under section 20. However any such land cannot be the subject of a declaration to the extent that it is national park estate land of the kind referred to in subsection (1) (b) or (c).

No. 3 Page 7. Insert after line 6:

[20] Section 33 Appointment of inspectors

Insert after section 33 (3):

(4) Despite any other provision of this Act, an inspector appointed by the Game Council under this section is not authorised to exercise any of the functions of an inspector on national park estate land.

[21] Section 33A

Insert after section 33:

33A Park rangers may exercise functions of inspectors

(1) In this section:

park ranger means a person who is appointed as an authorised officer under section 156B of the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1974*.

- (2) Subject to subsection (3), a park ranger may exercise the functions of an inspector under this Part and under section 57 and for that purpose is taken to be an inspector.
- (3) A park ranger may exercise any such functions of an inspector only in, or in relation to, national park estate land that is declared public hunting land.
- (4) A park ranger is not subject to the control or direction of the Game Council in the exercise of the ranger's functions as an inspector under this Act.
- (5) Sections 35 and 36 do not apply in relation to a park ranger.
- (6) For the purposes of the exercise by a park ranger of the functions of an inspector as provided by this section, a reference in section 40 or 52 to the Game Council is taken to include a reference to the Director-General of the Department of Premier and Cabinet.

No. 4 Page 12, Schedule 1 [30]. Insert after line 13:

Schedule 3B National park estate land that may be declared as public hunting land

(Section 20A (4))

National Parks

Central NSW

Abercrombie River Coolah Tops Goulburn River Turon Warrumbungle

Hunter/Mid North Coast

Barrington Tops Dorrigo Myall Lakes Watagans

New England Tablelands

Bald Rock Basket Swamp Boonoo Boonoo Gibraltar Range Nowendoc Pilliga West Oxley Wild Rivers

Northern Rivers

Nightcap Richmond Range Yabbra

Outback NSW

Goonoo Gundabooka Mallee Cliffs Murray Valley Paroo-Darling Yanga

South Coast and Highlands

Benambra Brindabella Kosciuszko (excluding ski fields) Morton South East Forests Tallaganda Wadbilliga Woomargama

Nature Reserves

Central NSW

Macquarie Marshes Pilliga

Outback NSW

Big Bush Boginderra Hills Buddigower Cocopara Coolbaggie Goonawarra Gubbata Ingalba Jerilderie Kajuligah Kemendok Lake Urana Langtree Ledknapper Loughnan Narrandera Nearie Lake Nocoleche Nombinnie Pilliga Pucawan Pulletop Ouanda Round Hill Tarawi The Charcoal Tank Yanga Yathong

State Conservation Areas

Central NSW

Mount Canobolas Mullion Range

Hunter/Mid North Coast

Barrington Tops

New England Tablelands

Butterleaf Cataract Pilliga East Mount Hyland Torrington Watsons Creek Werrikimbe

Outback NSW

Goonoo Gundabooka Nombinnie Paroo-Darling Yanga

No. 5 Page 15, Schedule 2.3 [2] and [3], lines 9–21. Omit all words on those lines.