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ANIMAL WELFARE COMMITTEE

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INQUIRY INTO THE PROPOSED AERIAL SHOOTING OF BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK

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An Upper House inquiry has been established to inquire into the proposed aerial shooting of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park and surrounding areas.

The Hon Emma Hurst MLC, Chair of the Animal Welfare Committee, said: 'This inquiry will examine the justification for proposed aerial shooting of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park, giving consideration to urgency, and the accuracy of the estimated brumby population, including the methodology used to determine this estimate.'

The Chair continued: 'In particular, the committee will investigate the animal welfare concerns associated with aerial shooting and the human safety concerns if Kosciuszko National Park is to remain open during operations.'

'In addition, the committee will consider the impact of previous aerial shooting operations in New South Wales and the availability of alternatives to aerial shooting,' the Chair added.

The committee welcomes submissions from interested individuals and stakeholders, including community groups, government bodies and members of the community. The closing date for submissions is 13 October 2023, with committee activity to follow later in the year.

For further information about the inquiry, including the terms of reference, please visit the committee [website](#).

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For further information please contact Committee Chair, the Hon Emma Hurst MLC, on (02) 9230 3462.