

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

**Name:** Mrs Michelle Fischer

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Dear Committee Secretary, My name is Michelle Fischer. I don't represent any organisations. I'm just an individual passionate about our unique Australian wildlife. I strongly support federal action to rapidly reduce the number of feral horses across the Australian Alps because I value our native wildlife. Having feral horses trampling the environment and waterways will mean the deaths of our native animals, and we can't get that back. NSW Parks & Wildlife need to be allowed to do their job. Aerial culling of feral horses, and deer and pigs need to be recommenced. There is no time to waste. The issues that particularly matter to me is the ridiculous and corrupt NSW Wild Horse Heritage Bill. How this bill was ever legally enacted in the first place simply defies logic. To address the impacts and fix the management of feral horses in the Australian Alps, I believe the Wild Horse Heritage Bill needs to be repealed as a matter of urgency. The next most important thing that needs to happen is to give our dingoes the Australian wide protection their native status implies. Yours sincerely, Michelle Fischer

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**Name:** Ms Iris Toren

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Please show your compassion for our brumbies. The proposed aerial shooting is brutal, cruel and wrong. If populations must be controlled other methods, such as birth control, should be sought.

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**Name:** Ms Leanne Howard

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Please leave our beautiful Brumbies alone. They are a national icon & are beautiful animals. Stop killing everything for the sake of money. Everyone I speak to is against this. Protect our brumbies.

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**Name:** Mr Walter Trevorah

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Management of brumbies has been abhorrent. Shooting healthy brumbies when there are options that are being refused to discuss. Governments and Parks buteaucrats should hang their heads in shame. We, the Australians, shame you. Pregnant mares shot. Foals aborted. Those overseeing are disgusting and not truly representative of the majority of Astralians. Walter Trevorah

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**Name:** Ms Diane Nicholson

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Dear Parliamentary committee, The Brumbies in the snowy highlands are an emotive issue. They have been there for longer than most of us have been alive. They were highly valued horses, and are a part of our national identity. They are sentient, beautiful, and have a right to life. However, they are not native to the area, it was humans who abandoned them there, humans who created this problem. If the damage they do to the wilderness is serious, and not overstated, then they should be preferably be relocated or re-homed. If it is decided that they require culling, it should definitely not be done via aerial shooting. It must be humane, accurate and quick. There are other feral animals that require a more urgent response than this in my opinion... fire ants, for example, will spread more readily, kill native species and destroy far more than the brumbies ever will. Thank you for listening, Diane Nicholson

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**Name:** Martha Goodhue

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No brumbies aerial shooting please. They're causing no harm. Bring them to a better destination if necessary but shooting No!!!

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**Name:** Crystal Edwards

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Please stop killing the brumbies via air shooting. Humans are the most destructive species on the planet and the animals that live on this earth with us deserve better. We introduced destructive species of animals to delicate ecosystems. We need to come up with a way of population control without taking the lives of others and without causing them pain and suffering. I'm not a government official and therefore do not have the knowledge to reduce their numbers humanely, but surely we owe it to them to invest in cruelty-free population control methods. For example, trap and neuter. We take the time and effort and resources to trap, neuter and rehome pets such as stray cats/dogs. Why can't we give the beautiful brumbies a chance to live out their lives peacefully and harm free? Let's focus on reducing the amount of brumbies in the next generations to come, not murdering those already born in cruel, painful ways.

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**Name:** Mrs Carol Britten

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There are not the amount of brumbies that is being reported, there would be lucky to a third of that amount. I travel through that area and camp there often and very rarely see any. Since the 2019/2020 fires, there is hardly any brumbies left in Kosciusko National Park. Aerial shooting is inhumane and cruel, birth control would be a better solution if you want to control the numbers .I do not support any measure of control.



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**Name:** Ms Gloria Fornasier

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Killing of Australian Brumbies is disgusting Aerial shooting should be banned completely. Plus figures of horses are not valid. It is outrageous that this cruelty is allowed. I can't believe that this country can be accountable for this. They have been in our history for hundred of years .....fires have destroyed many and mares are shot and the foals are left to starve to death. Anybody else would be jailed ... Australia should be ashamed for this action ....I do hope commences prevail ...karma is going to come back from this destruction of our beautiful Brumbies.

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**Name:** Miss Dorlene Haidar

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Do not aerial shoot the Brumbies they are not to blame for the wildlife what is to blame is the human race with land clearing 1080 poisons and the list goes on leave these poor innocent horses alone we need them for the environment

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**Name:** Mrs Sarah Frew

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How utterly archaic and prehistoric to think that aerial shooting should ever be a conscious or intentional way to control any wild animal species. Over and over do we see evidence of how a high percentage of animals suffer minutes, hours and sometimes days after being shot. It is unreasonable to expect that any shooter no matter how good is going to get it right and NPWS does NOT even guarantee an observer to ensure a humane shot is taken or instant kill is enforced. In addition we have seen mares in foal either in utero or at foot shot and either leaving the foal to starve or be excluded by the herd and then killed by dingoes or if in eutero slowly dying inside the mare or worse .. shot inside ! We have seen video and photographic evidence of horse shot on the ground and then a second or third shot administered by so called professional shooters ! This is a farce and NPWS and NSW government needs to find a better way ! It also MUST enable new research to uncover the actual REAL numbers of brumbies left in KNP .. and other national parks throughout Australia . I, as a hard working tax paying Australian resident am asking for some commonsense to be applied .. showing our heritage horses and humanity as a priority for our decision making .. not lies and politically motivated decisions that support only the greedy humans.

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**Name:** Ms Sandra Weber

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I would like to express my most ardent opposition to shooting brumbies in your KNP. When I visited Australia 20 years ago I loved this country and my wish has always been to return. I no longer feel that way. It is hard to love a country that kills one of its most valuable assets in such a cruel and reckless manner. Horses may not be native to Australia but they've been there long enough to be revered and protected from harm. The people making the decisions on how to deal with brumbies need to be replaced with people who will listen to the people and stop killing them. The pictures I've seen of dead brumbies shot and left to rot are the most sickening pictures I've ever seen. What you are doing to these animals is just heartbreaking and senseless and it needs to stop immediately!

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**Name:** Dr Annette Munday

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I have been following this with some interest for many years. And I have several points to bring forward.

In the 2019 KNP wild horse management plan, the areas around Kiandra , Long Plain and Tantangara Dam were designated Brumby retention areas. Many brumbies in these area have been shot , trapped and removed. Clearly the shooters and trappers could not find any brumbies in the Brumby prevention and exclusion areas of the park

The estimated 14000 plus is a ten fold exaggeration.

I have yet to see photographic evidence of significant Brumby environmental damage. 70 plus dead brumbies left to rot will harm the environment much more than the horses ever did.

I find it outrageous that shooting happens with no warning to the community, putting hikers at risk. (don't run around KNP with a long pony tail when shooters are about.)

It is cruel and evil to shoot horses, photographs of mares found with their dead foals partly delivered is evidence of a prolonged and agonizing death. This is Australia, a country which abhors animal cruelty , especially horses.

Most of all , please do an honest recount. Stop killing brumbies in the retention area and support Brumby rehoming as a more viable and acceptable option.

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**Name:** Ms Carla Burne

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Brumbies help regenerate the environment by eating grasses that cause bush fires. They don't harm anything or anyone. Not even any farmers are against them. So why are they being slaughtered in the most inhumane ways with aerial Shooting and cruel disturbing knackereries where they're prodded abused and screamed at. If you are supposed to be responsible for a fair and just country then stop and oppose and protect our famous historical treasure brumbies right now.

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**Name:** Ms Susan Briscoe

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I want to protest most strongly, the proposed aerial shooting of Brumbies. It is a barbaric inhumane practice. Horse numbers should be recounted, so many are trapped and dogged already. You need to listen to horse people, who are on the ground in the parks, about the so-called damage the horses do. They generally go single file, tracks are worn but not the damage the greens claim. Aerial shooting does not kill outright, some suffer terribly for long periods of time. Slow painful death. Back shot, shoulder shot, hips broken. Pregnant mares living long enough to abort their foals. Terrifying them with helicopters, their foals at foot unable to keep up, or left standing beside a dead mother. Absolutely unspeakably cruel method proposed from this minister. Who if this abhorrent act is carried out, should ride the first shoot, see first hand what the stroke of her pen has done.

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**Name:** Mrs Elizabeth Bayliss

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There are other ways to reduce herd numbers. Aerial culling isn't one of them. Please look at what we do with our feral and wild horses in New Zealand we muster twice a year. People adopt kaimanawa horses. Brumbies are part of Australia's legacy, same with our Kais. Aerial culling is cruel. Muster them. Work out which are good for rehoming. The old and sick to be euthanised humanely. Don't eradicate your heritage.



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**Name:** Mrs Christine Oliver

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I'm the granddaughter of a WW1 Lighthorseman and believe that the sacrifices that the horses (ancestors of our current Brumbies) made involuntarily, including losing their lives in battle for our country, should be remembered and considered in relation to the culling of Brumbies today. These Brumbies' ancestors are the horses that built this nation. The horses did the heavy, physical work that humans were unable to do. The current counting system is flawed and an independent, non-biased study should be completed to ascertain more accurate numbers and environmental impacts before such harsh action is carried out. It has been proven that aerial shooting is a very cruel method which causes great stress, pain and suffering to these sentient creatures. Horses are extremely sensitive and intelligent animals. They are used as therapy animals and can sense human emotions. To carry out aerial shooting is completely inhumane and a great loss to our national heritage and future of our history.

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**Name:** Mr Rob Haskell

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Your numbers are flawed. Your planned shooting are cruel. You did not mention anything about doing this in the last election. The horses keep the grasses down.

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**Name:** Mrs Deidre Stein

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The unbelievable cruelty that aerial shooting causes any animal standing or fleeing has to be witnessed to understand the horror and pain inflicted on these animals. How many members of parliament own animals large or small. If you haven't owned a horse they probably scare the wit's out of you, so big, they kick, they bite, take them away. Yet us who do have them love them, trust them to look after us and return love us as they do. Their understanding of us and our feelings has to be seen to be understood or believed and I have seen so much of it it is no fairy tale. Think for a change and consider THE animal first

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**Name:** Ms Marcia Gosper

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I believe our brumbies should NOT be slaughtered. They have a right to live in the high country. Their bloodlines are heritage. Their ancestors helped make Australia what it is today! They do no harm to the environment, unlike wild pigs, and deer. They are an iconic draw card for tourists to view when visiting the high country. They won't attack or chase, frighten ANYONE. They assist in keeping the ground cover down which assists us all when fires burn

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**Name:** Mrs Louise Gladman

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To all members, The stated number of brumbies in Kosciuszko is unbelievably inflated. The methodology is known to be flawed and should not even be implemented in any count. How Penny Sharpe feels it is ok to use this count on the horses, yet has stated it was inaccurate for counting kangaroos, is beyond any logical thinking. What is her agenda here? Who has been paying her, Atticus Fleming? He knows about as much as the methodology. These animals are not causing the damage they are being accused off. The animals that the invasive species council claim that are endangered are not at harm from the horses but some have fungal infections, which is depleting their numbers, others are unfortunately due to other wild animals in the park and the worst of all, human interference. Snowy 2.0 have caused and continue to cause monstrous amount of damage, yet that doesn't matter, the budget and build time keeps inflating, but that's OK.. wake up! We are beyond grateful for the chance to show how wrong the numbers are and being given a date and opportunity for an independent count and review into the running of the wild horse management, all we asked now is for a halt in any trapping or culling until the count is undertaken, while there are still horses to count.

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**Name:** Miss Catherine Forsling

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Please don't shoot the Brumbies in the Park. Not only are they a benefit by being a tourist attraction but they prevent wildfires by what they eat. Australia should do everything it can to prevent the terrible wildfires you had in recent history. Besides all this it's cruel & inhumane to shoot them this way, they suffer & die & often leave foals to starve. If you need to remove them, let rescuers catch them & take them to sanctuaries.

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**Name:** Mrs Anna Brewer

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Most Australians and all tourists are strongly condemning the shooting of Brumbies! The use of PZP, Porcine Zona Pellucida, a fertility-control vaccine given to female horses through an injection via remote darting is scientifically proven to be a success and is the only solution to manage them. These iconic Brumbies have Heritage value and as such should be protected against any assaults. These barbaric and cruel shooting sprees of wild living sentient wild horses, Brumbies, fuelled by hate speech from extremist environmentalists, have to stop! Brumbies can live in any environment without causing harm, humans do, especially builders and the livestock industry, destroying nature recklessly. We have to STOP seriously wounding, poisoning, killing these sentient wild horses, it's inhumane and unethical and goes against any logic!

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**Name:** Miss Leanne Jones

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Our brumbies are our heritage. If there are too many, then they should be rounded up and sold as our heritage horses as they are in the Guyforks. And ensure that they are not sent to the doggers. Also you need a proper head count, as there is no way that they can increase their numbers by that many each year. Oh, and fyi, a mare can only have one foal every year, twins are rare and usually both die and often the mare as well. It takes 11 months from conception to birth. And I have horses, and lots of frogs and lizards share their paddocks and water troughs. It's the cats, dogs and birds that cull the frogs and lizards, not the horses.



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**Name:** Ms Gabriela Black

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Dear Parliament Environment minister Penny Sharp I am visiting Kosciuszko National Park on a regular basis and I am so stressed to watch our beautiful wild horses Brumbies disappeared. I save horses including brumbies for many years and train and rehome these beautiful creatures. They don't deserve to be shot, send to slaughter houses or arial culled. This is animal cruelty. Horses are good for the environment and keeping the ground low in bushfire season. Other countries letting horses out into the wild. Also your numbers are wrong. There are hardly brumbies left. Recounted in June 2023 only 653 brumbies been left. In October the Parliament agreed to recount how many brumbies are left, if any. Until than you have to stop the trapping and leave the fea brumbies left alone please. I can't sleep anymore, because it hurts me deeply what happens in Kosciuszko National Park. Sincerely Gabriela Black

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**Name:** Mrs Vera Mally

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Options: 1) Make funding for re-homing of brumbies available, for gelding, for transport, etc. 2) Financial support is needed to assist licensed re-homers. 3) Make available non sensitive crown land, or purchase freehold land - to be granted as permanently brumby sanctuaries. 4) To control numbers in sanctuaries - fund controlled sterilisation programs. .

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**Name:** Mrs Angela Knell

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the justification for proposed aerial shooting, giving consideration to urgency and the accuracy of the estimated brumby population in Kosciuszko National

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**Name:** Mrs Robyn Maloney

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Animal Welfare organisations need to be consulted and the best practices need to be put in place instead of this cruelty being inflicted on these beautiful animals.

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**Name:** Tracy Epps

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I believe there needs to be a proper legal recount of the Brumbies in all areas and there needs to be a better way of managing the Brumbies other than killing them especially by helicopter.

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**Name:** Ms Joan Patis

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I am asking the NSW parliament to cease the aerial shooting of the Brumbies in Kosciusko National Park. It is cruel beyond belief and inhumane. I do not believe the NPWS counting of the horses is accurate. I have never seen the amount of Brumbies they claim to be in the Park. Neither do I believe the Brumbies are responsible for the amount of damage we are led to believe. Other animals including human beings are also. Please leave them alone. Sincerely, Joan Patis.

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No 196

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**Name:** Mrs Michelle Gruert

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When will the human race realise that these Brumbies are Sentient beings and what your doing to them is abhorrent. Please reconsider the culling and find another way. Dont have their blood on your hands . Dont let this massacre happen. Nemasay

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No 197

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**Name:** Mr James Arnold

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Cruel inhumane killing is never the answer. This must stop now, what sort of society which claims to believe in a fair go for all, goes and murders innocent lives, they didn't do anything wrong



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**Name:** Mrs Margaret Watson

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Dear Committee I would like to express my horror at the aerial shooting of brumbies. This is nothing short of barbaric and should never ever take place under any circumstances. Also it appears that the manner in which the number of brumbies is estimated is seriously flawed. How is it possible to know whether the number needs to be reduced until you have an accurate number in the first place. Australians are animal lovers and do not want their wild horses treated and abused in this manner. Kind regards Margaret Watson

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No 199

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**Name:** Mrs Rose Sedran

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These are animals that deserve to be protected, Australia has few protected species. and these horses need your protection Stand up for the ones who cannot defend themselves Please do not kill them

**Submission  
No 200**

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**Name:** Mr Andrea Sedran

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Help defend the defenceless Show some compassion and humanity save these horses!!!!!! Please  
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**Name:** Sarah Avery

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I believe that brumbies throughout Australia are not being treated fairly. The methods used to count brumbies is inaccurate, as are the amount they help to degradate land. There are other factors, including tourism & 4WD use which do more damage to the brumbies which are unshod so do less damage that riding horses with iron shoes. The methods used to cull herds is brutal & badly thought out. A more effective way is available & further discussion, including experts in equine care, should be made before any more culls are authorised.

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**Name:** Mr Maurice Watson

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Culling of Brumbies is an horrendous act and should be stopped forthwith

**Submission  
No 203**

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**Name:** Ms Shona MacFarlane

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Please Stop these barbaric acts on the Australian brumbies. Animal cruelty in any form is inexcusable. Inhumane and brutal. STOP

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No 204

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**Name:** Ms Zoe Todd

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I disagree with the slaughter of Brumbies.

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**Name:** Mrs Barbara Katz

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It is of the utmost concern that the culling of Brumbies does not go ahead without complete consultation with veterinarians, concerned members of the public, members of parliament and conservation groups. The aerial shooting of Brumbies is inhumane and causes untold suffering. There are better ways of controlling the population of Brumbies. Of concern is also the surveys and the way in which they are conducted.



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**Name:** Mrs Maike Coates

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Brumbies have been unfairly scapegoated for too long. Environmental damage in Kosciuszko National Park cannot be solely attributed to brumbies; there are numerous contributing factors, including Snowy 2, increased tourism development, 4-wheel driving, and agricultural runoff. Recent incidents have highlighted the brutality brumbies face. In September, the Liberal-National Government shot an entire herd of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park, causing immense trauma to the community. Many horses suffered slow and agonising deaths, including pregnant mares who lost their foals. This is not humane. In May of this year, 67 horses in Kosciuszko National Park met a similarly brutal fate, shot in their necks and left to bleed out. Pregnant mares and foals perished. The government may label its brumby shooting and trapping program as humane, but it is anything but. The true extent of the killings and the fate of these horses remain uncertain. How Brumby numbers are calculated is flawed.

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**Name:** Miss Joanne Tarbuck

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Stop the cruelty that's happening to the brumbies. They deserve better.

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**Name:** Mr Ian Mackenzie

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To the Parliamentary Inquiry I wish to register my extreme opposition to the proposal that aerial shooting of brumbies be recommenced. It is inhumane, and more importantly, unnecessary, as these animals do not damage the environment to any large degree, and certainly not anything like as much as 4 wheel drive tourism does in the area. The method used to 'control' these animals is horrific. Many animals (if not most) are not killed outright when shot and die a slow agonising death. This barbarity cannot be allowed to continue. Please ensure that it does not. Thank you Ian

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**Name:** Professor Anne Wilson

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The Labour Party proposal to resume aerial shooting is inhumane immensely cruel and unacceptable to normal people. These beautiful sentient mammals have been blamed for human ineptness for too long. Recent incidents have highlighted the brutality brumbies face. In September, the Liberal-National Government shot an entire herd of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park, causing immense trauma to the community. Many horses suffered slow and agonising deaths, including pregnant mares who lost their foals. This is not humane. In May of this year, 67 horses in Kosciuszko National Park met a similarly brutal fate, shot in their necks and left to bleed out. Pregnant mares and foals perished. The government may label its brumby shooting and trapping program as humane, but it is anything but. The true extent of the killings and the fate of these horses remain uncertain. Flawed counting and inflated population numbers. The survey methodology for counting brumbies has significant flaws, as highlighted by Independent Bio-statistician Claire Galea's recent report. Adding up horse counts from different years is not accurate or ethical – it's deception, not statistics

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**Name:** Ms Gudrun Hofmann

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The arial shooting of Mt Kozsiosko Brumbies is inhumane, it's disgusting and should never be considered. We live in the 21st century where other methods could be used for control of the Brumbies. This discussion comes up time and time again. Let's finally put an end to the cruelty of the shooting of the Brumbies and put an end to all these discussions. We are educated and intelligent enough to look at alternative methods that doesn't always have to have killing involved.

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**Name:** Mr Gabor Gergely

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Why Brumbies deserve such an awful, unfair and inhumane treatment from people as it keeps happening in Kosciuszko National Park. These beautiful, innocent animals are kept responsible for way too long for causing damage in the national park and the method of way of surveying their numbers seem to be failed, that resulted in an outcome of causing a major destruction therefore sentenced to be shot out as per reducing their number drastically. This kind of massacre doesn't follow any ethical order or humanity towards these amazing creatures. This kind of barbaric behaviour towards these animals have to come to an end and show the world that Australia is in fact respects life in many shapes and forms and can lead into a world that has an understanding and appreciation for multicultural and multi-species life over the whole country.

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**Name:** Dr Linda Mayer

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Aerial shooting results in a significant number of animals wounded resulting in a slow and painful death. While it has been a traditional form of culling, for horses and other flighty prey animals, it has been shown to be barbaric and cruel causing significant pain and distress to the animals shot and those they have formed bonds with.

Research has already been undertaken using chemical castration and various other kinder methods are also available warranting use now and/or further research.

While not 100%, chemical castration is adequate to decrease and control numbers. It is unlikely that public uproar will occur using this kinder method which in turn will lead to less money spent on inquiries like this.

Submission  
No 213

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**Name:** Mrs Janet Binns

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This is barbaric, these beautiful animals deserve the right to treated humanly.



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**Name:** Ms Victoria Castle

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I am writing to say, that as a concerned citizen, I strongly oppose the killing of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park. The brutal and immensely cruel shooting of these animals is beyond horrific in nature. Shot animals are left to die slow and agonising deaths, pregnant mares and foals at foot are subject to this horrendous, terrifying process - and not one thought is given to how long it may take them to die. Clean shots are rare and animal cruelty is ongoing because no-one follows up to make sure that their suffering is over quickly. This is a totally unacceptable practice and should be abandoned forever. I cannot believe that it could even be considered.

Please do not let this horrific legislation go through.

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No 215

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**Name:** Mrs Lyn Chalmers

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I strongly oppose the shooting or aerial culling of our brumbies. My family here and in the UK think this is the most cruel treatment of our beautiful brumbies.

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

**Name:** Ms Vikii Warne

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Aerial shooting of these beautiful wild horses is extremely cruel and it does not always result in a clean kill. It is very distressing that the Australian Government has approved this method of killing to keep the numbers down.

I don't believe that any killing is necessary and I believe that the numbers have been overstated.

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

**Name:** Mrs Karissa Spindler

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I do not support aerial shooting as a form of population control for wild brumbies. Aerial shooting is ruthless and inhumane – a heartless approach that should never be an option. The only humane and effective method that I feel should be considered is birth control methods. Just as is done for population control of domestic horses. Brumbies live in family units. Any culling method is going to cause trauma and distress to a herd. All of which can be avoided if birth control methods are used.

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

**Name:** Miss Madeline McDonald

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Hi,

My names Maddy and I'm from a small community in Northern NSW called Grafton. Grafton has is an awesome country town & a large horse based community like I'm sure most country towns do. The old bush man that the man from snowy river refers to is not lost in parts of the world like this. I understand the brumbies need culling & I agree with that but surely the Government remembers the Guy Fork brumbies & how cruelly they were slaughtered. Use the bushman & their skills & tap & humanly put these animals to sleep. Surely you can learn from the past & not let beautiful animals walk around with bullet wounds again - what 20+ years later. Surely we can give them the time to go the sleep pain free.

Regards,

Maddy

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

**Name:** Mrs Judith Wigg

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I implore all relevant authorities to immediately stop the inhumane treatment of our beautiful brumbies.

These magnificent animals have existed in their natural environment for generations.

Is there not another way to control the numbers?

Perhaps selected sterilisation could be an option?

Horses are magnificent animals and for any organisation to even consider this type of action is abhorrent.

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

**Name:** Ms Kerry Andersen

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Dear Parliament,

Please cease and ban the cruel tortuous methods of lowering numbers of our Brumbies!

The counting of numbers of horses is flawed and inflated!

Environmental damage cannot be attributed to the Brumbies

alone! Eg, including Snowy 2, increased tourism development, 4 wheel driving, agricultural run off!

The shooting of entire herds of Brumbies in Mt Kosciuszko National Park

Has caused way too much suffering to these horses!

Slow & agonising deaths caused including pregnant mares in September last

year and another 67 shot in the neck and left to bleed out, along with pregnant mares!

Absolutely vile and horrendous when other methods can be used to lower the population!

Human safety concerns as the National Park remains open during

Operations!

An alternative to these methods would be a sterilising /desexing program

Yours faithfully

Kerry Joy Andersen

Also the trapping program is terrible! NONE of this is humane!

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

**Name:** Mrs Susan Heynders

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The government have said they will look into the culling off brumbies but have and still shooting them randomly in the national parks .People from all walks of life want this culling stopped and proof is they do more good than harm in national parks keeping fuel down.The constant broken promises and lies told isn't helping the situation only making ordinary people irate at these barbaric practices. We have people willing to save our brumbys but the government and people with influence are not listening

Please submit this to the parties who are answerable for the slaughter of our brumbies



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

**Name:** Christine Hamilton

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There is quite obviously a seriously flaw in the assessment of the numbers of brumbies.

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

**Name:** Reon Bavinton

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I believe that the Animal Justice Party speaks for many Australians when it sets out the history, facts and moral issues that are at stake.

As it states, brumbies are introduced free-roaming horses that have existed in Australia since European invasion. They are highly advanced sentient creatures that are worthy of protection.

While there are issues to be dealt with in regard to competition with native animals and environmental damage, particularly in sensitive alpine areas, alternatives for management of these issues must not include the use of cruel, lethal control methods.

I support the worthy objectives of the Animal Justice Party:

Immediately stop aerial and ground shooting of brumbies.

Outlaw the use of all lethal control methods on brumbies.

Fund research into safe, humane and effective fertility control methods.

Strategic provision of wildlife-safe fencing

Implement a humane capture and re-homing program, which also provides government support to groups and individuals taking on the care of brumbies in genuine animal sanctuaries.

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

**Name:** Mrs Debra Deen

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The aerial culling of brumbies is inhumane leading to terror of being chased by a helicopter then shot at only to die in agony while bleeding out. It is impossible to deliver a humane kill shot on a terrified moving target. Foals have been left to die while their mothers bleed out. There are better ways to reduce the numbers such as darting with reproductive control drugs as used in the USA when mustang numbers reach over population. Australia needs to think very carefully about our methods of control.

In addition, brumbies are being blamed for damage done by humans in the form of 4 wheel driving etc. A herd of reasonable size can easily be preserved and would not cause the damage of a few 4 wheel drives. These horses are our heritage and must be allowed to live in peace not slaughtered in high numbers by a grossly inhumane method.

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

**Name:** Miss Karren Payne

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Shame so much for RSPCA u Hippocratic cruel mungerals shame shame on you

Submission  
No 226

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

**Name:** Ms Rhonda Brumby

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How on any grounds can you sanction aerial or any sort of shooting or killing Brumbies our national heritage?

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

**Name:** Ms Michele McGuire

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To whom this may concern,

I am writing on behalf of the brumbies who have a right to exist fending for themselves in the snowy mountain region. To kill/injure them with guns from aircraft is inhumane and devasts me to belong to the cruelest species on earth. "Mankind" is more like "Manhate". It seems like humans find any reason to shoot and kill whatever they can. Horrible species. Humans are the scourge of the earth - not brumbies.

**Submission  
No 228**

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

**Name:** Ms Gloria Fornasier

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Shooting must stop or any other murdering of our beautiful Brumbies it is completely disaster us. Figures are false. It's feral pigs and deer that have done most damage and will be proven after this carnage of our snowy mountains horses history will record what disgusting government has allowed this to happen. Please let's stop now before all is lost.

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

**Name:** Miss Jennifer Ankin

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I am surprised and disgusted with the Labor Party's inhumane consideration to reintroduce the aerial shooting/maiming/killing of Brumbies in the Kosciuszko National Park (KNP), knowing the impact of previous aerial shootings.

There is so much evidence that shows aerial shooting of the Brumbies is such a cruel and brutal way of controlling their numbers, the majority of residents in NSW will find this offensive and sickening.

The counting and population numbers are flawed and inaccurate as evidenced recently by Bio-statistician Claire Galea's report.

As you are aware there are many other factors affecting environmental damage and the threat to endangered species in the KNP, besides the Brumbies.

You are in government to represent the people of NSW and residents of the KNP area, to determine accurately the number of wild horses in this area, exactly the damage being done by them and other factors that impact the environment and endangered species. Animal Welfare is the key issue here, therefore, is culling necessary and what are the most humane alternatives if required. All evidence and information from government and independent sources should be considered and verified, before any humane decisions are made.

Thank you for your time

Jenny Ankin



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

**Name:** Mr Thomas Dowd

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Hi committee

As a frequent visitor to the snowy mountains for the purpose of hunting I see substantial damage to the native forests from the brumbies in that region. Definitely on a far greater scale than any other invasive species so I believe it is essential to cull the numbers down and if aerial shooting is the most efficient method then that should definitely be used but I don't believe it should be the only method used. Due to assigned resources it would be impossible to cover all areas of the snowy mountains at once. I believe areas that are being focused on by aerial shooters should be closed to the public but all areas not in focus should be open to recreational hunters to harvest the animals as well. That way effectively the hunters are reducing numbers slightly across a vast area while aerial shooters are reducing numbers drastically in a focused area.

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

**Name:** Mrs Robin Gillis

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I believe that the Animal Justice Party speaks for many Australians when it sets out the history, facts and moral issues that are at stake. As it states, brumbies are introduced free-roaming horses that have existed in Australia since European invasion. They are highly advanced sentient creatures that are worthy of protection. While there are issues to be dealt with in regard to competition with native animals and environmental damage, particularly in sensitive alpine areas, alternatives for management of these issues must not include the use of cruel, lethal control methods. I support the worthy objectives of the Animal Justice Party: Immediately stop aerial and ground shooting of brumbies. Outlaw the use of all lethal control methods on brumbies. Fund research into safe, humane and effective fertility control methods. Strategic provision of wildlife-safe fencing. Implement a humane capture and re-homing program, which also provides government support to groups and individuals taking on the care of brumbies in genuine animal sanctuaries.

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

**Name:** Mrs Mary Jacobs

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The actual and possible future culling of Brumbies is cruel and barbaric. The sensitive areas for habitat protection can be fenced off with suitable material. Australia is known for it's long useful fences ie. the Dingo fence and the Rabbit proof fence. A Brumby fence ? There has to be a more humane way. These horses are our heritage.

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No 233

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

**Name:** Mr Nick Andrews

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I fundamentally oppose the sport-like killing of brumbies and find it ironic their presence is deemed environmentally damaging, while the increasing human footprint from tourism and agriculture is overlooked. Leave the animals alone.

**Submission  
No 234**

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

**Name:** Dr Wendy Ducat

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Dear Sir/Madam, Please stop the devastating practice of aerial shooting of brumbies. This leads to horses being maimed and dying horribly. Brumbies are part of our national identity and deserve kinder responses. I fully support the Animal Justice Parties submission. Thank you for this inquiry.  
Yours faithfully Wendy Ducat

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

**Name:** Mrs Geraldene Dobson

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I do not support the aerial culling of Brumbies - justification for shootings is based on a flawed method of counting numbers of brumbies in the park - aerial culling is not an accurate or humane way of shooting horses - the unique hilly and forested terrain of KNP means horses may be shot and left to die - shooting of the brumbies will cause you undue stress. Recent media reports of dead brumbies left in the park showed distressing images. - I am against shooting as a means of population control of brumbies inc. shooting brumbies in traps.

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

**Name:** Miss Sascha De Keyzer

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I am opposed to ground killing slaughterhouses and aerial killing . This is no less than genocide total eradication Further to this flawed counts there are not 14K to 24K but less than 600 Brumbies in North Brumbies are also not protected in 32 percent of park they have been killed Transfer relocate 600 Brumbies to protected zone Previous submissions include 4065 in 2021 plus petitions Change Org 200K plus other petitions Penny Sharpe Chris Minns are not listening We need a recount and 32 percent of KNP protected Immediately Legislation in 2021 didn't allow for a total eradication plan of brumbies 235 years later Brumbies pose no threat to environment and live in harmony with nature Man is greatest threat to environment Snowy Hydro 2 , Ski fields tourism roads accommodation 4WFD The public did not vote for genocide or total eradication Brumbies can be a tourist attraction O

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

**Name:** Dianne Clegg

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Issues I believe are relevant to cruel aerial shooting of brumbies

**Flawed Survey Methodology:** An independent report by biostatistician Claire Galea has exposed significant flaws in the survey methodology used to count the number of brumbies. The method's inadequacies are underscored by the fact that the numbers from 2014 and 2019 were simply combined due to insufficient horse sightings. Such manipulation raises serious questions about the validity of the reported numbers.

**Implausible Population Estimates:** The population modeling techniques employed have consistently yielded implausible increases in population estimates. This casts doubt on the accuracy and reliability of the data being used to justify the aerial shooting proposal.

**Call for Urgent and Independent Recount:** Given the discrepancies and doubts surrounding the brumby population count, it is imperative that an independent and urgent recount of the horse numbers is conducted. Such an unbiased evaluation is essential to inform any decisions related to the brumby population management.

**Inhumanity of Aerial Shooting:** Aerial shooting is a ruthless and inhumane method of managing the brumby population. Its heartless approach to managing these animals, and it reflects poorly on any government that would consider such a course of action.



**Submission  
No 238**

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

**Name:** Mrs Margaret Duffin

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My submission is simple. NO. Stop the removal and slaughter of our Brumbies. The process of aerial shooting is inhumane. The suffering and cruelty is beyond belief. There can be other solutions to this process, if there is Communication. Communication is the key. Regards Margaret Duffin

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

**Name:** Ms Maureen Clifford

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As an Australian albeit from the UK originally, I consider our brumbies to be a part of our countries heritage - without their help in times of war and peace, our country would not have grown and expanded as it did. Our Govt tends to refer to them as feral - they are no more feral than I am or any other immigrant to this country is. I for one would like to see our brumbies as a valued part of our tourism industry...they are good enough to appear on our countries postage stamps, coins, banknotes - we use their name for our footy teams and yet we then declare them pests and shoot them. Seems to be somewhat of a conflict of interest there don't you think???? I agree they need to be managed - but killing them is not 'managing'. We need to do better, we can do better and we should do better. This is a big country and they occupy such a very small % of it. Are we really so greedy, so 4 driven that we cannot allow them to live their lives in peace, where they bring joy to so many people just by 'being wild and free'

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

**Name:** Ms Lesley Burgess

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Strongly opposed to aerial shooting and ground trapping. Numbers are way exaggerated. If England can graze their native horses in their National Parks then why can't we do the same? Needs to be a more common sense approach and a more open minded solution to this problem. If you can call it problem.

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No 241

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

**Name:** Lyn and Ian Chalmers

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Penny Sharpe must be advised we do not support this barbaric treatment of our horses. We do not want our children or friends ds to witness your horrendous cruelty Lyn and Ian chslmers

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

**Name:** Mrs Leanne Jack

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These are heritage brumbies that you intend to slaughter. Your count has been scientifically proven to be falsely high claiming 30,000 brumbies when there were approximately 3,000. Although this number is hugely reduced due to current shootings. Currently brumbies have been slaughtered and their carcasses are rotting on the ground and polluting water ways, feeding wild pigs. These horses have been offered to be rehomed and yet this has been rejected, why? The RSPCA has successfully taken legal action to stop this culling in the past, due to the inhumane suffering inflicted on these beautiful heritage horses that assisted my ancestors in WW1. They deserve to be rehomed at the very least. Stop the slaughter.

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No 243**

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

**Name:** Mrs Susan Andrews

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No to killing, no to killing our iconic brumbies. No to ski slopes and bicycle trails instead of wild and free.

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No 244

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

**Name:** Mrs Donna Horne

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Please stop the inhumane shooting of our heritage brumbies shame shame shame this is disgusting  
it makes me sick that people can actually condone this slaughter what is wrong with you ????????

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No 245

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

**Name:** Mrs Pam Healey

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This is outrageous culling/killing animals. Should concentrate on actual ferals.



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

**Name:** Ms Alison Smith

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I have ridden in the Snowy and state that the numbers that are stated are FALSE. The country is not being ruined by brumbies, it's being trashed by: Snowy 2 Pigs Deer 4 x 4 The murder of these animals is wrong.

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

**Name:** Mrs Sue Slater

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Re aerial and ground shooting of Australian heritage wild horses aka Brumbies. I as an Australian citizen do not permit this culling. Not just because these are thinking, feeling and loving animals... I also believe the count is in error and their extinction is a real possibility. The gross and horrendous suffering is appalling and no animal must suffer as they obviously do... left to die, eaten alive by Crows, ants, dingoes. The foals left to starve and also get eaten alive. They keep the bushfire fuel short and save some of the endangered animals and flora that are destined to die in bushfires. Keep their counted numbers at 3000 of that is required but cull them kindly by rehoming not by slaughter in any way. I was born outside Australia and like the horses I now belong here officially. Wild horses in other countries apart from the US are respected and revered and that goes it is here by the majority of Australians even though through lies and deception done believe they damage ecosystems, rats and flora. Frogs are victims of fungus Australia wide. During the 2000 Olympics our wild heritage horses were presented as icons of our country... I ask you what has changed?

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No 248

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

**Name:** Ms Kathy Davis

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NO to arial culling of the beautiful brumbies. It is inhumane.

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No 249**

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

**Name:** Mrs Elizabeth Manna

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Just Hope to whoever is happy now and congratulating themselves on this glorious butchery slaughter of defenceless animals. I could go on but you are not worth it. May your nightmares begin. Regards: Mrs Elizabeth Manna

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

**Name:** Shemaya Rose

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It's time to stop the awful shooting of KNP Brumbies. These beautiful animals deserve a better life. We brought them here for our own use and gain and now they are a big part of our history and heritage. So many people travel to the area just to witness, watch, photograph and observe wild Brumbies. Please stop the mass shooting and find better alternatives.

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

**Name:** Karen Carr

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I am horrified to hear of the current cruel proposal to aerial cull our iconic brumbies. There needs to be an urgent independent recount of the brumbies remaining in the Kosciuszko National Park. The previous counts have been shown to be greatly inaccurate and biologically impossible. The cruel slaughter of the brumbies has been deeply traumatising to myself and many others. The recent slaughter of heavily pregnant mares and young foals resulting in pain and suffering. Environmental damage is not caused by horses, but by humans, pigs, deer, cats, foxes and wild dogs. This slaughter must be stopped and the public needs to know the truth.

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No 252

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

**Name:** Mr Nandu Mehta

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Inhumane and insensitive way to deal with problem in this day and age.

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

**Name:** Mrs Helen Daniels

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The aerial culling of brumbies is cruel and barbaric leaving horses fleeing and mares separated from their foals. Foals are left orphaned with dying mares. It is impossible to get a clean head shot unless a horse stands perfectly still. A community is still grieving after The Guy Fawkes massacre. The number of horses in the park has been estimated using flawed methodology. No recount as promised has been done. I am totally opposed to any aerial killing of brumbies.



**Submission  
No 254**

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

**Name:** Mr John Rees

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Please put an end to this senseless and cruel slaughter of these beautiful creatures. They are causing harm and are in fact a wonderful attraction to the area.

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No 255

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

**Name:** Susan Harvey

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Dear sir/madam

This is definitely wrong & I wonder how they got the number of thousands of horses. I am thinking there is corruption along the line with a possible motive of development of land.

Please don't let this happen. It is archaic & barbaric.

Thanks Susan

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

**Name:** Faerlie Fidge

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To whom it may concern

I wish to state my absolute horror at the aerial and ground shooting techniques employed in reducing the brumby populations of national parks. While I understand the environmental concerns about large horse populations, there are other ways to handle the situation. Humane ways! Trapping and removal from parks and making trapped brumbies available to rehoming were possible before being trucked to slaughter, and more responsibly and humanely, hormonal controls as employed in the American mustangs to control population increase. The current shooting methods being employed while not only cruel to the animals left to die from gut shots etc, reflect very badly on government and further, Australia as a nation for allowing it to continue. I have put my money where my mouth is and provided a home to a displaced brumby, and my words and sentiments are certainly not empty. As a beef producer, I do not shy away from animal deaths as a meat source, where appropriate, but the wastage and disregard for welfare in the shooting methods is a disgrace. We as a nation and Parks and governments in particular know better and can do better.

Best regards

Faerlie Fidge

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No 257

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

**Name:** Ms Laura Johnson

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<https://www.facebook.com/snowybrumbyadventures> i cannot put it more succinctly aerial shooting has been happening and the link is the proof it proves that we are being lied to.... why

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

**Name:** Mrs Katrina Sharp

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As a concerned citizen who volunteers and promotes the well-being of both animals and people, I find it extremely disturbing that in an age of enlightenment government bodies would be choosing to utilise aerial culling. There are so many humane options available now, for example chemical castration is most effective in the United States and so many of us have also been actively rehoming our beautiful Brumbies, with many property owners having taken in whole family groups, others have been trained as therapy horses and yet others have made wonderful working horses. Having always lived and played in our NPs, I have never seen more than a few family groups in a day. The areas they can be found in are not damaged, in fact the pigs and deer to so much more damage than a horse, and don't get me started on the scares on the mountain coursed by man. Leaving any animal to die a slow painful death should be considered manslaughter, and to then leave those same creatures for foxes, pigs and wild dogs to feast on is perpetrating the boost to the feral animal population. STOP aerial culling please

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No 259

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

**Name:** Alison Sara

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This treatment of sentient animals is unconscionable and this cruelty must stop.

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

**Name:** Mrs Tanya Apps

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Flawed and/or submersive methods of assimilating brumby numbers is totally unacceptable. I no longer trust the Australian govt. I feel the iconic brumby is being used as a pawn in political agendas. I personally saw a forlorn foal standing next to its dead mother beside the highway in the Snowy Mountains yesterday 10.10.23 Another horse laying dead nearby. The method of elimination is deplorable in this day and age. Impossible to avoid painful injury and prolonged, painful suffering. Foals starving to death or dehydration. A total farce and a blight on our culture and moral integrity and reputation. They have actually lived there, in harmony with nature for many generations. Man is much more destructive, as are wild pigs, by their very natures and habits. Year after year I see the vegetation flourish, the rivers and creeks healthy and flowing, the animals co existing peacefully. . Except where pigs have dug and chopped up soil, wallowing and digging up plant roots to eat. As is their nature, and not a habit of brumbies. Our govt needs to stop the misguided massacre and act quickly to save a beloved national icon, instead of pandering to, and profiting by supporting extremist factions of our govt and community.

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No 261

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

**Name:** Mrs Kay Van-der sluice

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Disgusting, cruel and vile. This needs to stop !



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No 262

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

**Name:** Alan Somerville

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PART OF THE AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE. DON'T WE RECOGNISE THE DIVERSE  
NATURE OF OUR COUNTRY. THIS MUST INCLUDE THE BRUMBY

Submission  
No 263

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

**Name:** Ms Shannon Renahan

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Stop killing the brumbies

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No 264

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

**Name:** Miss Minna Vasarhelyi

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Animal cruelty and culling of brumbies needs to stop.

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

**Name:** Mrs Sophie Crocker

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STOP THE SLAUGHTER OF OUR BRUMBIES. ITS CRUEL AND INHUMANE! Animal Welfare Concerns Regarding the Current Management of the Brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park. These include the following: Aerial shooting Ground shooting Passive trapping. Other concerns include: The use of flawed counting methods Wrongly attributing the demise of endangered native plants and animals to justify lethal management of the brumbies The failure to humanely manage other introduced species Environmental concerns over failure to correctly dispose of carcasses. Aerial Shooting Aerial shooting has been proposed as a management tool by Environment Minister Penny Sharpe, National Parks and Wildlife Service Management and members of the Invasive Species Council, purporting it to be humane. It can neither be considered humane nor acceptable in the area that they propose to use it as the following articles show

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

**Name:** Mr Anthony Crocker

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STOP KILLING OUR BRUMBIES! IT's cruel and pointless. Animal Welfare Concerns Regarding the Current Management of the Brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park. These include the following: Aerial shooting Ground shooting Passive trapping. Other concerns include: The use of flawed counting methods Wrongly attributing the demise of endangered native plants and animals to justify lethal management of the brumbies The failure to humanely manage other introduced species Environmental concerns over failure to correctly dispose of carcasses. Aerial Shooting Aerial shooting has been proposed as a management tool by Environment Minister Penny Sharpe, National Parks and Wildlife Service Management and members of the Invasive Species Council, purporting it to be humane. It can neither be considered humane nor acceptable in the area that they propose to use it as the following articles show:

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

**Name:** Vikki Morgan

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Aerial Culling should not be considered The question here is not about eradicating the brumbies its about the cruel, inhumane method of aerial culling. If the brumbies have to be removed it must be done in a peaceful humane manner. If they must be euthanise it should be done peacefully. Aerial culling is terrifying and incomplete. Many animals are left injured and in pain. Many die a slow death. Mare abort foals who then dies a slow death. Aerial should not even be a consideration!

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

**Name:** Mrs Julie Alcock

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I wish to object to Aerial Shooting and extermination of any of Australia's Brumby population. This method to kill the Brumbies is barbaric and cruel to see them shot in the neck and stomach and the mares delivery foals whilst they are dying a slow death is appalling. The Brumbies are an icon and have served man for more than 200 years and could be used to encourage more tourism. The damage humans do in the national parks running over and digging the earth rivers up do more damage than the Brumbies do. Please stop this horrendous practice. Julie Allcock

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

**Name:** Mrs Therese Anderson

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This is a unnecessary slaughter of our heritage brumbies. Their numbers are no where near what has been reported. I have seen plenty of photos of brumbies in the area and there isn't the damage done that the government says there is. It outrageous for you to think that this is a humane way to treat any living creature. I find your desire to do aerial culling. Abhorrent and incomprehensible.



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

**Name:** Janelle Kneebone

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Please explain how you can shoot the brambles and leave there bodies to rot around water ways and in the park I owned a pet cremation service the EPA would have closed me down if I had left bodies lying around our beautiful streams in the mountains will get the run off this is not saving other animals it will poison the water These bodies should be burnt or taken away

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

**Name:** Miss Lynn Gray

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What is happening is cruel and totally unnecessary !! Please Please leave these beautiful creatures in peace !! They have been here long before you have !! Please just leave them alone !!

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

**Name:** Professor Tonia Gray

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By way of introduction, I have been horse owner for over 50 years, I've been following this debate for over a decade. I find the culling of Brumbies to be a barbaric and tragic. More importantly you need to speak to equine experts and those organisations opposing this issue with an open heart. I could go on and in, but your ethos and moral compass should guide this decision rather than an anthropocentric gaze!

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

**Name:** Ms Denise Gale

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This proposed aerial shooting of brumbies as a culling method **MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO PROCEED**. In 2000 this horrendous shooting took part in the northern NSW Guy Fawkes National park and the massacre was unbelievable. How can humans be this cruel. Yes some brumbies may need to be culled, but the current numbers are flawed, and culling **MUST BE DONE IN A HUMAN AND CARING WAY**. Today I saw on FaceBook an image of a mare who had been shot and whose face has been eaten off whilst she was still alive. What is happening to Australians now - once we were an animal loving and caring nation to say nothing of the debt we owe the brumby who served us so well during the Great War. We should be using contraception in the mares as they do in the States.

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

**Name:** Ms Natalie Cannell

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I do not agree to aerial culling. I protested years ago about this horrible way of destroying our heritage horses. They suffer dying Slowly, eaten alive by dingoes, pigs ,crows, eagles and ants.. This causes me depression and despair. The recent shooting has been discussing. There are not 14000 Horses in the park. You told the public you would review this count But you just started shooting.

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

**Name:** Ms Nicole Coventry

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I am opposed to the proposal to commence aerial shooting of what remains of the Brumby population in Kosciusko National Park on the grounds that it is imprecise, cruel, unnecessary and dangerous. To kill a horse, in flight mode from a helicopter with a gun will result in traumatic injuries to the animals, that do not result in a humane or instant death (ref Guy Fawkes NP aerial Brumby Cull 2000) The horses mean a lot to many people, and the pressures the ground killing is putting on a very diverse group of Australian people is impacting mental health in a way that has failed to be acknowledged to date. Aerial culling will take this to a new level, as people discover the brutally slaughtered carcasses of the beloved wild horses in the field around the Park. The broadscale slaughter will also result in an intolerable carcass load on the Park's landscape and waterways, leading to pollution in the catchment area.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**Name:** Mrs Leanne Williams

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I had booked and planned to take a holiday and stay at Talbingo caravan park and go hiking through Mt Kosciuszko. A photographer who lives on the mountain had offered to help me find some Brumbies. It has been a long time wish to watch these beautiful sentient beings. I had a message to say not to visit as they had found many shot Brumbies. Close to the roads, in the waterways and along the hiking tracks. The Government needs to do a proper review and a proper count of remaining Brumbies. The signs I have seen on social media said that it was an invasive species cull. Can anybody find any deer or pig carcasses? I have seen videos of the pristine waterways, native flowers blooming. The only damage I have seen is Pig damage and the mess of the making of the Snowy Hydro 2.. Please stop the cruel shooting.

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

**Name:** Mrs Dagmar Feldmann

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Please save those beautiful sentient animals from cruelty. The AJP suggests other methods to control their population. We as humans have introduced them to the Australian wilderness. They have nowhere else to go. Please spare them from brutal slaughter and trauma for the surviving and witnessing fellow brumbies. Thank you.



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

**Name:** Ms Judith Chaffer

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Brumby count is false Ariel shooting is cruel mares in foal proven evidence has been submitted the horses are not causing. Damage to the springs or frogs country side brumby control breeding can be controlled by hormonal treatment. This is in place American mustang The brumby are decent of the Australian war horse they should be protected at all cost the feral pigs and deer are causing major damage to area

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

**Name:** Mrs Cheryl Hol

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Leave the Brumbies alone.

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

**Name:** Ms Lee Hardman

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I am opposed to the aerial shooting of Brumbies in the Kosciusko National Park. It is intolerable animal cruelty. I acknowledge the need to control numbers in the park and believe trapping and rehoming a viable approach and have personally seen the results. Brumbies are intelligent easily trainable horses and asset to our country. Aged and sick horses could be euthanaised humanely if a dedicated management team were employed to 'care for' Brumbies rather than the current system that perceives them as a pest to be eradicated. Brumbies are valuable part of our heritage and need preserving for future generations for their strength, beauty and spirit of freedom ..they embody the spirit of Australia.

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

**Name:** Mrs Kathleen Loy

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There is no reason to kill the brumbies. They are beautiful and a symbol of the Australian spirit. The wild pigs are doing fast more damage to the ecology than the Brimming will ever do. These beautiful Australian horses are no threat to the environment. They dedeed to live in peace. Shooting these sentient beings from helicopters is not only cruel or is completely unnecessary. For pities sake look at them, see them, leave them alone.

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

**Name:** Mrs Margaret Duffin

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I am a mum, grandmother and love animals. Just one person. Not presenting paperwork or following someone else's lead. Just Me! I cannot believe, that the Government could consider such a cruel, evil way in targeting our Brumbies. I say OUR, because they belong to all of us and I would like to give them a voice. Our Brumbies deserve to remain in our Parks and bush, to roam free. The Brumbies do not do the damage these so called experts say. They don't breed like that has been stated. Their numbers aren't as high as counted. Some of these experts have probably never have left their offices, consulting documentation that can be falsified. Are you re inventing the wheel, like in Tasmania when the bounty was placed on Tasmanian Tigers, all those years ago. Oops. Damage is done. They were innocent too. False information again. Trying to re create an animal that got wiped out by Government bodies who didn't understand. Are you going to do the same with our Brumbies. Whether you like it or not, they are our Heritage and Culture and helped make Australia to what it is today. The pain and suffering these beautiful creatures are being subjected too. Somebody has to give a Damn, with what is going on. Like I stated at the start, I am just one person. Regards Margaret Duffin

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

**Name:** Mrs Peggy Eather

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I oppose the aerial shooting of brumby in national parks and elsewhere. I believe they should be herded and caught with the possibility of rehoming. Should rehoming not be an option they should be humanely euthanized.

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

**Name:** Mrs Elizabeth Mickey

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To whom it may concern, I submit that the culling of the Brumbies stops. The culling by various methods in particular Ariel killing is nothing short of animal cruelty. These dear horses are left to die where they fall. Public are exposed to seeing these poor horses deceased right near walkways. NPWS should not continue to disregard on the ground information for Brumby numbers. These horses have declined considerably, it needs to stop now. This is Australia where many Brumbies run in other states and are not to be seen to causing harm. The environmental harm is to mankind, parliamentary decision to allow the progression of infrastructure to continue to expand whilst taking valuable land and in the end land that can never be returned to what it was, a national park. As a single citizen of the country I can only insist that current govt practice is not humane, is considered cruel and above all is unnecessary. An unbiased review with no conflicts of interest is required to ensure policy and practice is developed with clear guidelines that enable the Brumbies to continue to survive. Regards Elizabeth Mickey

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

**Name:** Ms Maggie Cooper

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You seem to have a problem with the brumbies and cattle destroying our flora, however, will you also cull people who drive four wheel drives and motorbikes through the areas? Who actually do more damage than the Brumbies. The Indigenous people knew that the Brumbies and Cattle helped the environment by keeping the undergrowth controlled, not destroying native vegetation by driving or riding through it. Brumbies and Cattle always walk using a previous path, not creating a bigger footprint, not to mention the air pollution caused by man made motors and fuel.



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

**Name:** Mrs Tracey Coates

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The genocide of the historic brumbies is an atrocity as it's the extermination of beautiful creatures that are historical to Australia. Why are you inhumanely killing these animals, but disregarding other animals such as wild pigs, deer and dogs!

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

**Name:** Ms Jenni Cooper

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The Australian Brumby has lived peacefully in the High Country & the methodology used to ascertain correct numbers is flawed. Please don't allow our beautiful Brumby's to be barbarically & inhumanely slaughtered. This is causing me so much stress & anxiety.

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

**Name:** Miss Louise Gladman

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Photos are a result of the not so Hon Penny Sharpe, News and ISC. Recount before you commit another murder!. You will be held accountable and punished for your crimes. I hope the spirits of the killed haunt you forever!

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

**Name:** Ms Dianne Seabrook

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No more murdering these horses !! Just stop . Cruel and barbaric behaviour .

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

**Name:** Miss Lisa Williams

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The inhumane cruelty of our Australian Heritage Brumbies needs to stop now. This is affecting not only our Australian Culture but my family history and heritage. Our Australian Wild Horses is what built Australia . They belong on this land and it is their home . The methodology used for the counting of wild horses is not accurate and a proper recount needs to be done. They don't damage any land but they do keep overgrowth down to prevent wildfires. The extreme slaughter is nothing but disgusting and our forefathers would be horrified of this act of cruelty. Many photos that I've seen off the mass graves all through the national parks is agonising. Rehomers are at the brink trying to save these beautiful animals. The science in which government are listening to is flawed and incorrect in all measures . The only flora and fauna that's being damaged is from pigs and deer with cloven hooves. This has to be stopped now before our Australian Ancestral Brumbies will never be seen by my grandchildren and future Australians. I also have Australian Military background and am proud to be Australian. This has changed my beliefs in humanity . Thankyou

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

**Name:** MS Andrea Fitzgerald

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Aerial culling of the National heritage brumbies is a cruel and unnecessary form of control. The numbers could be controlled by using contraceptive drugs and castrating colts. The numbers roaming wild have not to my knowledge been done correctly, more of a guess which is poor management.

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

**Name:** Mr Patrick Byrnes

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No poor large animals such as our iconic brumbies should be destroyed by arial shooting or on the ground they have been there for over 200yrs and there is so very little damage for tthis length of time, there are not that many brumbies left up there and any culling should cease imediately, and leave these poor grass eating animals alone, you dont even know if there is even 400 or six hundred even left up there, they are a great tourist assett, but now the whole park stinks of rotting horse carcasses on the ground and in water ways the ep should be finding the government and parkes for this discussing act, it was better managed by farmers before it was even a park, there are thousands of useless acres inbthe park only good to feed the brumbies and help prevent bush fires, so leave them alone

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

**Name:** Mrs Malveena Hanley

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Why does the government think it is right to slaughter our brumbies.



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No 294**

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

**Name:** Ms Jo Ellis

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The mass killing of brumbies is a moral and ethical crime and must not be allowed. Animal cruelty in any form is abhorrent and not what a civilized and modern country should be doing. Alternative non kill answers can and should be found and implemented

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

**Name:** Miss Karen Van Lent

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It is my will that the Brumby culling be immediately stopped and a full and independent enquiry on numbers and impact is done. These horses have heritage value. I also believe that these horses do not damage the environment and should be allowed to live free forever. I am totally opposed to the murder of these sentient creatures.

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No 296**

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

**Name:** Mrs Deborah Fowles

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Aerial shooting of our beautiful Brumbies is an absolutely disgusting proposal. Please do not allow this to go ahead. There are many in the community who are willing to help rehome these sentient beings so please, please do not kill them. They are part of our history and need to be a part of our future too. Thank you

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

**Name:** Yvonne Hooper

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Brumby Horses by science Are Natural selection breeding of the Highest quality Horses by scientific research are very family oriented they are intelligent they love their children they are significant individuals Doesn't matter if you like or dislike horses These are creatures of perfection who value their Liberty their families Why does the Human race staggeringly find a desire to ruin everyone's freedom and lives in Nature ? Stop the killing is my vote

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

**Name:** Mrs Debbie Neilsen

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No one has the right to take Australian heritage away

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

**Name:** Mr Greg Bayldon

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It is abhorrent in this day and age to think that the best animal management solution available is to commence an aerial shooting program of these animals. I am no expert but from my research it appears that aerial shooting is a clumsy and cruel way to reduce any population. I support the move to protect the natural environment and reestablish the native wildlife; however, if that is such a priority why are we still destroying natural environments for mining, manufacture, logging and housing? It seems counterproductive to spend millions of dollars conserving one environment by committing a cruel act against innocent animals while continuing to sell native land to the highest bidder to destroy the natural environment for more profit.

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

**Name:** Mrs Lorraine Parker

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I would like to express my opposition to the aerial cull of the brumbies in the National Parks. Growing up I spent a lot of time in the High Country and occasionally coming across wild brumbies was always a thrill. The number of these horses on official counts is very dubious, anyone who spends time there knows the numbers are nowhere near that high. I request the government spend a lot more time and effort trapping and rehoming these horses, and make the rehoming requirements more realistic as many people who would like to take brumbies cannot pass the ridiculous criteria. Stop the sheer cruelty of aerial shooting. There are other methods, use them please. Thankyou

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

**Name:** Linda Bottom

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Brumbies are part of the local heritage and have a cultural value to do many Australians. There are better and more humane ways to control brumby numbers. Aerial culling is barbaric and causes immense suffering and stress on the animals. There also needs to be a revised count of the horses and a study to assess the real impacts of their existence in the park.



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

**Name:** Christine Parkes

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I do not agree to the shooting of brumbies by ground and definitely not air as the ones that have been left to rot in waterways is a disgrace to see and left for small children to see makes sick there needs to be a proper count not the one that that is flawed these bodies pose a threat to the endangered species that live there and a proper management plan should be implemented

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

**Name:** Mrs Kathleen Christmas

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I would like to put forward that the aerial slaughter and shooting of horses anywhere in any country is humane and should be made illegal. As you can see I am from England and this subject, the plight of the Australian Brumby's is well known here. I can't understand how anybody in authority could condone such a dreadful act as shooting and maiming and causing so much suffering to animals. I can't believe Australia, a civilised country, could stoop this low. I was in Australia as a child I went to school in Spotswood I'm now in England and it hurts me to think that this can be allowed by any government where the members are supposedly responsible caring people, this to me is the biggest injustice please, please don't allow aerial shooting, please please maintain humanity and see that whatever is done is done humanely under the care and guidance of responsible people not the shambolic slaughter from the air it does affect your reputation certainly in England and the British Isles maybe we're not that significant but the horses should be . Thank you

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

**Name:** Mrs Greg and Sue Slater

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I strongly disagree and object to culling of our Australian wild horses that we fondly call Brumbies. I strongly object to ground and air shooting of Brumbies for many reasons the cruel manner of their death is topmost. My mental health is suffering severely knowing these animals are being culled for no good reason. Unshod horses roam many lands including Australia, for centuries the landscape, flora and fauna remain the same. If fire fuel is an issue these animals are part of the solution as they eat it. Thank you for taking notice.

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

**Name:** Ms Jennifer Collins

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I believe the eradication of the brumbies is disgraceful and should not go ahead in any form. The so called count is fiction and the damage done by the brumbies is incomparable to the damage that humans do everyday. I also believe there is a hidden agenda behind this fixation of getting rid of the brumbies and I would like to know the truth. I also believe that if the eradication of the brumbies goes ahead then the politicians who push this through should be present at every single shooting to witness the heartbreaking results and also to clean up the carcasses. The brumbies have history in the snowy mountains and Australia and should be allowed to remain here. There are certainly more humane methods of keeping number of brumbies at a satisfactory level, has contraception even been researched? The aerial shooting is inhumane and cruel as is the ground level shooting and should cease immediately.

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

**Name:** Ms Jan McShae

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I have been disgusted at the inhumane treatment of the Brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park. They have been shot and left to die where they have fallen. This is in areas where families with children often visit. There has been no care or consideration given to disposal of bodies of these poor horses. It is very disappointing and disheartening to see this treatment given to these horses. The Government do not seem to be listening to local people who have expertise in relation to the number of brumbies still in the park. Many were killed in the bushfires and the numbers left has been grossly inflated by government bodies who have not even visited the Park

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No 307**

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

**Name:** Renee van den Oever

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Please stop the horrific shooting of our beautiful brumbies. I truly can't believe this is happening in our country, These beautiful horses are being shot and left to die a slow and painful death. There is no justification for this. Certain 'Conservation' groups have been lying about the damage these brumbies have been doing to the environment. There is absolutely no proof about this, These horses are living very harmoniously with other species and their environment. Please stop this abhorrent and shocking killing of our brumbies! Thank you in advance for looking at my submission and hopefully acting to stop this brutality.

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

**Name:** Mrs Judy de Jong

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I am horrified that the NSW Premier and his government are currently allowing the shooting of brumbies. I am disgusted that they now propose aerial shooting - a method shown to be inaccurate and cause lingering agonising deaths. I also oppose the government's fraudulent claims as to the number of brumbies and the damage they are causing. There has been no independent count, and ridiculous estimates made of the number of foals raised each year. Given that it has been demonstrated overseas that wild horses actually improve the environment and some countries are in the process of reintroducing them for that purpose, it is outrageous that ours are being slaughtered! Further, if you must reduce the numbers, please use fertility control, which has been used very successfully overseas! The barbaric killing must stop !

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No 309

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

**Name:** Jennifer Fox

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Please don't kill the brumbies. They have as much right as us humans to be here



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

**Name:** Ms Marilyn Smithett

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This shooting of brumbies has to stop. How can you discriminate between 3 animals, two of which do far more damage than brumbies to the environment. Deer & feral pigs (especially pigs) do the most damage. These animals are not treated as badly as the brumbies. Why are the brumbies brutally massacred when they do no damage. They graze which keeps the grass down in relation to helping with fire season. They are a part of our heritage, not an introduced species. They are kind & mind their own groups. Killing pregnant mares & then they about their foals is not only criminal but begs belief. Please put a stop to this now.

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

**Name:** Mr Geoff Weigand

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I think that aerial shooting is not a humane way to cull the brumbies because they don't know if going to lay injured for days there are other ways to keep the population down first we need to have a proper count of numbers there are other animals that cause more damage to our native animals feral cats for example do a lot more damage than the brumbies please reconsider this unnecessary killing of the brumbies they are part of our history

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

**Name:** Miss Michelle Parker

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The recent and ongoing removal of Australia's wild horses from Kosciusko National Park have reduced their population significantly. There is no requirement for any further removals. Numbers are at an all time low. Aerial shooting is unacceptable and not an option. However, the reduction of feral pigs and deer, which do actually damage the environment continues to be ignored. Our Brumbies are iconic. They are part of our folklore and have significant cultural value. They are also a major tourism drawcard to our regional towns. Brumby Photography Yours and Brumby Walking Tours continue to grow, attracting local and international visitors.

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

**Name:** Ms Margie Gayford

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Aerial Shooting of the brumbies is cruel tly and inhumane. It is not a goid method to control the population.

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

**Name:** Ms Kim Cox

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Please just stop the killing.....there is enough killing going on in the world at the moment You are destroying our heritage and stories that we grew up with as kids . The silver Brumby series for one...The Man from Snowy River and so many other notable books and movies. There will be nothing left for future generations to see and talk about. Is this what you want? Just STOP the bullets....look what happened at Guy Fawks ...the inhumane killings there....Is this what you want? These brumbies have survived for hundreds of years and the locals know each individual brumby by name. Nation Parks are supposed to be for everyone to use and the brumbies form part of this . They are a tourist attraction...so many people go to the mountains just to see them, including me. PLEASE....JUST STOP THE KILLING?

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

**Name:** Mr Michael Gavin

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Having spent allot of time in the high country including restoration of a remote historical cattleman's hut the Brumbies are considered part of the early pastoralist cultural heritage of the high country. They help maintain grassland and grassy woodland reducing fuel loads and emulate planned grazing regenerative agriculture. There are actually other limiting factors of endangered species there and one has to question is tracks, some trampling, and erosion where they drink necessarily invasive. They are slow breeding and have been there over a century. Often sweeping judgment estimations of populations without defining the parameters are cast to justify biocontrol grants for inhumane methods without assessment of invasiveness at local levels, and acknowledgement of ecosystem function, services, and values that the target species may have, and with little community consultation.

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No 316**

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

**Name:** Mrs Lesley Meredith

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I beg u with all my heart do NOT shoot the Brumbies as they do no harm to u, if u go ahead and do it u have no heart or feeling for animals. I am DISGUSTED that u would even contemplate doing this.

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

**Name:** Mrs Maureen Milburn

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Animal cruelty should never be acceptable from anyone, let alone a government. Slaughtering the brumbies because of some ill conceived advice from extremists is bad enough but shooting them from helicopters is horrendous cruelty. Gut shooting pregnant mares and wild pigs and wild dogs ripping the aborting foals apart is beyond belief. With the exception of Australia and the USA, most countries protect and value their wild horses as a valuable tourist attraction as well as an extremely successful way of helping to protect the area from fires. The horses do not damage the creeks, rivers, moss grounds etc. The pigs and deer are responsible for that damage. Horse do not gallop wildly through the natural bush etc, unless they are under threat from shooters and helicopters they wander alone slowly whilst grazing. Every horse owner can give you this information but unfortunately, for some unknown reason, the government chooses to believe the ill informed so-called experts. Again animal cruelty is completely unacceptable. Finally, I would strongly suggest that the government abandon their current method of counting horse numbers as they are so overestimated, they are laughable.



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

**Name:** Ms Dianne Wade

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To whom it may concern, I have for some time been deeply concerned about the fate of the Brumbys. The destruction I have witnessed in photographs of their rotting carcasses following aerial shooting is horrendous and no animal deserves this treatment. I believe the numbers quoted by various authorities are grossly exaggerated as many were killed in bush fires and subsequent eradication by shooters and a form of baiting/poisoning. There has to be a more humane way of dealing with the Brumbys.. Obviously there is some political reasoning behind their destruction - I am not sure what, they have roamed the hills for years, but now all of a sudden they have to be destroyed. They are being blamed for the so called damage to national parks, when there are other species that have been introduced into the parks. There are many country's in the World that successfully home and manage their heritage horses well. Yes I am a horse lover and we must try to do better! Dianne Wade

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

**Name:** Mrs Jaki Fimister

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Aerial culling should not be considered at all, many of these brumbies do not die from a gut, stomach, neck shot. There is no clear way to kill an animal by aerial without causing immense suffering and a long and agonising death . The preservation of these horses is a must as part of past history , descendants of horses/ walers bred for wars, a management plan can be achieved without cruelty, killing mares in foal who abort the live foals only to die a long drawn out death. Horses galloping in fear as shots hit the non vital parts that cause them to bleed out another agonising death. Remember the year 2000 and the atrocities in the guy fawkes park , never ever should this happen again. Never should aerial culling be considered for any flight animal. All that will remain is memories and pictures in books of our heritage horses. Management yes, long suffering , painful deaths no

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

**Name:** Ms Toni Murphy

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Frequent visitor to Cooma to see family and very upset that you are proposing aerial shooting of our heritage brumbies. The numbers of brumbies is greatly over estimated, the vision I have seen from friend who trek through the park several times a week show pristine waterways and no damage caused by brumbies. At the same time vision of damage by pigs wallowing and digging up chunks of earth/grass can be seen - no horse hoof prints only dog or deer foot prints and droppings. There are rehomingers ready and waiting to rescue trapped brumbies and more efforts should be made to help them - instead of spending money of shooters and helicopters funds should be channeled to assisting rehomingers to save these beautiful animals instead of leaving them to die a painful death or send up at the knackery. If you are worried about the environment I suggest you take off the rose coloured glasses and physically visit the Snow 2 sites - the damage caused by snow 2 far outweighs anything the few remaining help keep the undergrowth down. The numbers are false, so many were lost in the fires.

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

**Name:** Mrs Nancy Exton

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I object to the government's intention to use aerial shooting to cull brumbies in Kosciuszko Park. Aerial shooting is cruel. There are much more practical and humane ways to reduce brumby numbers, if in fact, that is necessary.

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

**Name:** Ms Diane Kastel

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OUR FAMILY IS, VIGOROUSLY AGAINST THE, MERCILESS, UNSCIENTIFIC, NSW Government plan to start aerial shooting in "Kosciuszko National Park"! We believe there MUST be an Inquiry into this, proposed, aerial shooting program, and, the, associated, animal cruelty concerns, as well as the accuracy of the brumby, count, and, other, matters concerning the treatment of brumbies in "Kosciuszko National Park"! This comes as a shock to many in the community who care, deeply, about the brumbies, and their protection, and, anyone who opposes animal cruelty! We all remember what happened when brumbies were, aerially, shot from helicopters at "Guy Fawkes National Park" in 2000!

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

**Name:** Mrs Nicole Kerrison

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Brumbies in Koszcicosko National Park were inflated to begin with. Coming in and shooting them before the count was disgraceful. We demanded a count, as there were no were near thousands of them. I was horrified that shooters shot them before this count. This was a sneaky inhumane and disgusting treatment of helpless horses. Some were feeding their foals or pregnant. No animal deserves to be snuck up on and shot. I am deeply hurt., angry and bewildered at this treatment of sentient beings. Horses feel and understand pain. Those bullets would have caused excruciating pain and torment and caused fear in surrounding horses. My ancestors put those horses there and I am connected to their environment and support their welfare. Rehomers were waiting and available to take them to keep them from harms way. Please stop all shooting of horses and be transparent in communication. They mean no harm, are not malicious or dangerous. Reveal the reason you want them removed. I believe it is to further develop the National Park. Diggers and people sent there to build Snowy Hydro have caused damage to the land and displaced animals. Shame on Penny Sharpe for killing hundreds of brumbies and causing them to bleed out and suffer a painful death. I will not stop supporting them and want them to remain in the National Park. They are my heritage.

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

**Name:** Ms Christine Bunton

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Relating to the aerial shooting of the brumbies Shooting any animal is varbaric & sadistic .To shoot from the air takes it to another level.The brumbies or indeed any animal has as much right to this planet as any human but it seems the hunting fraternity has other ideas.Obviously the government has a large number of hunters in its midst or this barbaric so called maintenance of numbers wouldn't be even considered.

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

**Name:** Julie Kensen

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A full public & transparent enquiry by NSW parks must be done immediately and a thorough recount of the number of brumbies with proven so called harm to the park ecology by these horses, considering the large population of feral pigs deer & goats.. The inhumane method of the unnecessary ariel shooting of these heritage herds of horses is cruel & abhorrent. It must not be allowed to go ahead. These horses are Australian heritage and are to be preserved for all future generations to live & roam free...herd animals don't destroy their environments.



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

**Name:** Mrs Martine Crijns

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I am a frequent visitor to Australia and I like almost everything about it, except the way a supposedly civilised country has been dealing with the Brumbies i.e killing them everywhere and anywhere for no reason whatsoever. None at all. It is barbaric, it is appalling, it is disgusting. It must end now. I have been following the terrible treatment of Brumbies for quite a few years now, unfortunately from far away. Your beautiful Brumbies are a part of Australian history, they should be given special treatment as in they should be protected and left to roam freely as for example is the case in Exmoor and Dartmoor in the UK. If it can be done here then why not in Australia? Australia should be ashamed of what they have done to these beautiful animals. And why? There is no reason at all for the brutality and cruelty of what has been done to the Brumbies. There never was and there never will be.

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

**Name:** Rachel Middleton

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The Brumbies are a part of our war history. They deserve the same care and respect that our ANZAC's receive. Without them, we may not be living the life we do now. They made an ultimate sacrifice alongside our ANZAC's.

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

**Name:** Mrs Deb Baker

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I find it abhorrent that those that are deciding the fate of our wild horses that are clearly misinformed on numbers and they have made no effort to adhere to the laws against animal cruelty . The sad aspect of this is man is the destroyer of all in our natural world , from the land and its animals . Please consider the history of the wild brumby instead of erasing it . Furthermore the Government said never again would an airial cull be done after the cruel massacre in The Guy Fawkes National Park .

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

**Name:** Ms Judith Bates

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Many years ago Parks shot Brumbies from the air at Smoker Gap near Corin Dam, I witnessed the aftermath of this and was sickened by what we saw. Many horses were not clean shots and were still alive the next day when we saw them. Many were dead leaving young foals, some had leg wounds and were still walking around in agony. These animals were massacred and it was a disgrace on the Government that authorised it. Recent shootings of these beautiful creatures thus far is a blot on Australia, my friends in the USA are watching closely and cannot believe it, they ask why aren't these horses protected. I ask the same, there are many rescue groups who the government should be funding to control the numbers by capture and rehoming, gelding young colts and keeping numbers to a viable amount.

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

**Name:** Kerry Radford

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I support this inquiry and further investigation into the justification for this proposal. I also encourage robust investigation into alternative methods which are sustainable and do not require mass killing, for example remote darting with fertility control vaccines or large scale fertility control programs. Alternatives could also include raising awareness with land managers, increased adoptions and rehoming to humane free-roaming pastures.

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

**Name:** Miss Monique Linnen

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Please protect our brumbies. Please show compassion, we are truly better than this I believe. The mental health of many Australians are being affected by this cruelty.

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

**Name:** Ms Tanya Peck

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Please consider more humane alternatives to the proposed slaughter of the Brumbies in the Kosciusko National Park This is a terrible, terrible thing to do

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

**Name:** Ms Evon Yule

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There must be a better way than outright killing/maiming our beautiful horses Would also suggest to focus on: 1) Indian Myna birds who are progressively intentionally killing all other birds 2) Making sure that Fire Ants are eradicated..



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

**Name:** Mrs Kym Rouch

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Arial shooting of these beautiful horses is incredibly cruel. Why are people who want to catch these horses fined when they wish to handle and break them in and then rehome them, most the these brumbies make beautiful ridden horses. Please stop the shooting of these beautiful horses. Feral deer and pigs are responsible for the damage done to the eco system, I have lived in the Snowy Mountains for a few years now living on a farm and see the damage done by pigs, wild dogs and deer do on our property and I have also spent time at long plain and Kiandra I've have seen the same damage that wild dogs, pigs and deer do up there aswell, the horses don't do the damage that is reported to people in the cities who do not know any better. Please stop this cruel practice with is providing food for wild dogs and pigs which will cause them to breed more. Regard Kym Rouch

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

**Name:** Ms Maria Tafe

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The majestic Brumbies have formed an integral part of our heritage without any adverse effects for over a hundred years. Nobody owns them and nobody has the right to cause so much suffering by incompetent actions, false accusations, manufactured information which was proven false. In all other civilised countries the status of the horse has been vigorously restored and protected. There must also be an investigation into the management of our parks and wildlife as the current body is obviously vastly inadequate, ill informed and not operating in any way which benefits the parks and wildlife. This would need to be undertaken urgently as they are allowing destruction that is escalating daily to give them monetary profits.

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

**Name:** Mrs Lyn Barrass

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If anyone thinks that is an acceptable and humane way to treat an animal they are a disgrace and should not be in a position of power and decision making. These horses are special , loved and important. I ask you to investigate and actually take note of how wild horses are beneficial to our native grasses and flora and fauna . Search up on how many places in Europe are rewilding wild horses back in many areas as they had more benefits for the landscape when they were there . Please search up “REWILDING EUROPE “

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

**Name:** Dr Maggie Rose

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Re:Aerial Shooting of Brumbies in Kosciusko National Park. I was shocked to learn of this plan. To shoot brumbies from the air is a heinous crime. We have evidence that horses experience prolonged agony from this particular intervention. Australia is an evolved country, using best practice methods and global standards to reduce animal populations. For example, contraception is a humane way to reduce horse numbers. There are many experienced vets and horse people who are willing to take on this task. This decision needs to be unpacked with committee members of the Animal Welfare Committee so that more humane practices can be introduced.

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

**Name:** Mrs Daniele Sartorel

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My submission is animal cruelty. It is 2023 it should not be beyond our collective wit to find a solution other than culling especially from the air. What about controlling with contraceptive darts from the air or a more Cooperative system of removing and rehoming I am suspicious of the brumbies being blamed for all the damage Demonising horses is not an answer I am disappointed in the arrogant dismissal of cruelty concerns

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No 339**

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

**Name:** Mrs Kerrie Menz

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I am absolutely disgusted with the cruel inhumane slaughter of our Australian brumbies STOP the guns NOW!!!!

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

**Name:** Ms Cornelia Rudnicki

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This proposed Aerial shooting of the brumbies must not go ahead. The count is incorrect and if it goes ahead we will just about wipe them out, The past couple of weeks have seen hundreds of horses shot and some left to die slowly in agony. This is utter cruelty. and must not go . We must preserve these beau.

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

**Name:** Mrs Elizabeth Manna

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To whom it may concern.

I'm just an ordinary Aboriginal old Lady, and like many we have gone through and seen many changes in our country some are good some not so good. Trust me, No good will come out of this as this is so WRONG.

The destruction of our Beautiful Brumbies is not good. They are as Australian as any Human. Who has given you the right to decide what Species needs to be destroyed.

Don't you think this land belongs to them and to all of nature's animals. There are humans who say they're a pest I say there are Humans are pests.

On the behalf of the Brumbies Please don't do this life is Precious and Brumbies are very Precious.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Elizabeth Manna.



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


**Name:** Mr John Lyon

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When I was younger I lived in the mountains near brumby areas —

There certainly were not the numbers of brumbies that the government seems to be told there is — the numbers may be in the hundreds now - certainly not thousands—

There should be a lot more effort put into capture & re- homing

A lot more effort also should be put into reduction of 2 other species - wild pigs & deer — these do much more damage than a few horses

A few months ago The Victorian government I think shot about 100 brumbies & left the bodies to be eaten & go rotten— it will be years before the skeletons are gone — not a very good look for tourists

Thank you for the possible opportunity to voice my opinion

Regards John

East Coast Horse Transport

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

**Name:** Mrs Jennifer Bush

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I believe it is inhuman to areal shoot Brumbies . I also believe that the numbers of brumbies in the KNP are far below what is being tabled. I know people in brumby associations who have been and done counts and helicopter searches and the numbers are far below what is being said.

If numbers have to be reduced it must be done humanly and the horses should not just be shot from the air and left to die a dreadful and painful death over days or weeks. I have seen photos of this and in a Country supposedly civilised enough to consider the suffering of animals it should not be allowed..Also I understand that there is an area of KNP that is supposed to be a brumby sanctuary. Please stop the slaughter and come up with a better way..I hope someone will listen!!

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

**Name:** Ms Anne Louise McGrowdie

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I am responding to the recent release of images and information exposing the cruel and inhumane culling of Brumbies in the Guy Fawkes National Park, Snowy Mountains area in NSW.

Local residents and animal advocates have campaigned tirelessly against the aerial shooting, trapping and killing Brumbies in the National Park using unethical methods to reduce the numbers. Some of the more gruesome images display mares and newly born foals shot dead and left in mounds of carcasses near National Park walking tracks.

The Government needs to listen to those people who live and work with the breed as well as vet specialists who are able to use other more effective, non- cruel methods that do not create suffering, pain and distress, not only to the Brumbies, but also the public who use the park and those who care for the welfare of wild animals in NSW. There are more humane methods available to control the species in the National Park

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

**Name:** Mrs Genevieve Hunt-Rayner

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I would like to submit my support, for a full inquiry into the;

- proposed aerial shooting program and
- the associated animal cruelty concerns,
- as well as the accuracy of the brumby count and
- other matters concerning the treatment of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park.

I am against the use of any ariel shooting as a form of herd control in reducing the numbers in the park.

Ariel shooting is an inhumane and causes inherent and immediate concern for the welfare of the brumbies in the park.

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

**Name:** Ms Christine Daley

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I object to Aerial Culling of Wild horses in the National Parks.

Aerial shooting from helicopters is very cruel and inhumane.

To chase and shoot horses in this manner is unacceptable horses are flight animals and will run in panack so clean kill is impossible.

The government and NPWS have already killed hundreds of our brumbies in a very cruel manner. They have left dead carcass all over the park. This is disgracefull and very sadistic.

The horses are not the feral pests that some groups have made out.

The brumbies are very much loved part of this country and the environment.

They actually enhance the environment they do NOT kill or harm wildlife.

The number of horses is below the 3000 now so you have no need to kill or remove anymore. There are over 690000 hectares of country for a sustainable number of horses to remain in the park.

Please stop any shooting ground or Aerial we have had enough of this cruelty by National Parks.

Brumbies are part of Australian history our culture and tourist attraction.

We love our brumbies they are very special please stop the insane killing now.

**NO TO SHOOTING BRUMBIES.**

Christine Daley

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

**Name:** Karen Mansbridge

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Please stop killing our brumbys

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

**Name:** Viktoria Vazorka

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The announcement of the aerial shooting in Kosciuszko National Park came as a total shock to me. We must prevent culling of our Brumbies! It is a method that results in extreme cruelty to an animal who is an integral part of our history, heritage, and poetry.

Kindest,

Viktoria

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

**Name:** Ms Rowena Howard

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I am opposed to the aerial culling our Kosciusko Wild horses. It is proven to be an inhuman process with plenty of graphic evidence of aborted foals, horses dropped in water courses. I have taken on ownership of a Kosciusko brumby who has displayed behavioural characteristics far different from a domestic horse. Bonding significantly more to the domestic herd and myself. The fact the broader Kosciusko landscape is impacted by ski resorts, recreational impact, other feral species such as deer and pig. Has made the brumby a soft political target for eradication. A changing climate, where the landscape has altered, risk of fire ever increasing. The role of the brumby as a key grazing animal that helps mitigate fire affect in the this landscape needs to be re-evaluated. Failing this, aerial culling should not be an oppotion for control.



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

**Name:** Mrs Georgina Ayre

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After visiting the site at various times and observing many wild animals it is obvious the horses are not creating the amount of damage purported in reports to govt.

we now have shot carcasses rotting and poisoning the plains. The current situation is not sustainable and more unhealthy for the environment than the current plan.

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

**Name:** Ms Ann Beckett

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As an animal lover I was, naturally, absolutely horrified at the news that the New South Wales Government is considering the culling of Brumbies at all, let alone by aerial shooting. I well remember the debacle of the Guy Fawkes cull, the Government was rightly condemned for animal cruelty, still remembered, yet here we are again hearing that it is the “most humane” method. I ask you to consider again the advice of organisations that take action to protect Brumbies; Save the Brumbies, Australian Brumby Association, Mountain Brumby Sanctuary - these are the people who do the real work with Brumbies and who are left to clean up the mess left by government departments that take the easy way out. I don't pretend to know the answers to a problem allowed to develop because of inaction by successive governments, but an aerial cull is not the answer.

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

**Name:** Ms Patricia Olsson

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NO, NO, NO, to the aerial culling of our brumbies. This barbaric brutality needs to stop. ACCURATE numbers of brumbies in the park need to be obtained before these treasured animals are gone forever from Australian soil. Protect our heritage animals. History will thank you for your care.

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

**Name:** Mr Mark Jackson

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I don't agree with the aerial killings & it's disgusting how anyone can kill these beautiful Brumbies it hurts me deep inside to think that this is what we have become ,killing innocent Brumbies.

I'm absolutely shocked to the core to think that the NSW Government would be behind this cold blooded murder.

I hope those responsible get their KARMA very soon. SHAME SHAME SHAME on all involved.

Aerial killing of animals is a barbaric cowardly act and should be against the law entirely.

SAVE THE BRUMBIES, LET THEM LIVE

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

**Name:** Dr Karel Ruber

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I cannot comprehend how people are going to shoot intelligent, gentle animals which were our trusted companions and servants for millennia, for some ridiculous idea of "damaging the environment". The damage to the populations of some low intelligent frogs, fish and poisonous snakes, which have the noble title of "native", is questionable and doesn't really justify the painful killing of horses. I think non-native Australians have been killing a lot of native flies and mosquitos, hopefully to extinction- should we be worried?!

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

**Name:** Mrs Dianne Lynch

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These Brumbys should be left the decision to cull them by Ariel Shooting is cruel and not an accurate method. Many horses will be left wounded and /or slowly dying in agony. Which is definitely Animal Cruelty. Another legal Slaughter of these beautiful Horses is and should not be an option. I firmly oppose this type of so called reduction of numbers. The Brumby itself is an icon of Australia and loved and admired by people all over the world. Maybe so many could be gelded to prevent over population as this would be preferred. Slaughtering every animal that we see as a problem is not the humane thing to do. So many of our Icons are now endangered it's more important to protect what we have,we must look at all options that doesn't include SLAUGHTER.

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

**Name:** Mrs Gay McNeill

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I am horrified at what the Australian Government thinks is good animal management. The horrific scenes of 100's of dead brumbies is nothing but sheer cruelty. The minister and those responsible must be sick in the head to do this to any animal let alone the beautiful brumbies that so many love and follow.

The treatment is beyond comprehension and for what reason. Humans are doing the distraction in our parks not the brumbies.

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

**Name:** Miss Erin McMaugh

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I am fiercely against the proposed shooting of the wild brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park. These beautiful wild animals do not deserve to be maimed and die a slow, agonising death- history has proven this. The proposed shooting program is cruel, and there is no such thing as humane slaughter of a living and breathing creature. This is why I am in support of an inquiry being held by Emma Hurst MP.



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

**Name:** Mrs Cristina Economides

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Dear Sir/Madam,

please consider ethics when dealing with sentient animals, their ecosystems, and our so used/abused planet, that is screaming for help, after all the atrocities committed against our planet and its environment.

STOP, enough!!!

Cristina E. Zois, Greek Ambassador's wife

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No 359

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

**Name:** Ms Bronwyn Tuck

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To who it may concern.

I am against the aerial shooting of brumbies. Please take action against this.

Sincerely

Bronwyn Tuck

Submission  
No 360

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

**Name:** Miss Amy Chapman

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I support this inquiry as I feel the killings where unnecessary

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No 361

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

**Name:** Miss Sandra Stevens

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I am absolutely horrified that humans can be so cruel .To kill these animals is just so inhumane and should never happen .Humans have no right to treat animals in this way .Totally against this .

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

**Name:** Ms Katy McMurray

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Aerial shooting is very cruel. Please do not shoot the brumbies in Koskiuszko national park. There are other methods of reducing the population that do not require a deadly outcome. Please reconsider these - and do not make this brutal mistake. Compassion needs to win over violence and cruelty or there's no hope for any of us.

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

**Name:** Kristina Cabala

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Aerial shooting of our heritage brumbies is cruel, inaccurate and completely unacceptable. Get those in charge lift themselves from their comfortable chairs and travel to KNP and see for themselves what is really happening there, guided by the locals who live there and traverse the park on a daily basis. Your statistical extrapolations on brumby numbers are based on a flawed formula.

The way this whole "management" of our heritage brumbies has been deeply disturbing and disappointing. You are not following your own legislation, and have for some reason decided the brumbies are the bad boys instead of attending to the real problem - feral pigs, deer and man made destruction and erosion. Do your jobs properly! No more shooting of any kind!

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**Name:** Geoffrey Court

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Im very disappointed in the very unprofessional and thoughtless way the whole culling process is being orchestrated. I feel that apart from the unnecessary killing of these horses due to misguided count methodology, there is being absolutely no thought put forward to the mental health repercussions of the people who do love these horses as well as other animalloving members of the public, infact the opposite is happening as can be noted during the opening of Kosciuszko National Park on the October long weekend when visitors to the Long Plain and Tantangra areas of the park were greeted with the blatant display of several hundred bodies of recently shot horses laying all about on public display. There is no compassion shown for the feelings of fellow Australians shown here in this modern day and age. Very draconian which I believe needs to be investigated and addressed in a serious manner.

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

**Name:** Mrs Ellie Robertson

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I absolutely and unequivocally oppose any shooting of brumbies.

I cannot believe that in today's civilised society and first world nation such as Australia that we could even contemplate on such abhorrent practices as aerial shooting of running wild horses.

It just is not physically possible to aim and shoot horses dead while they are running and also from a moving helicopter. These horses will die in slow and untold agony and terror. This is morally and ethically criminal. No one has the right to impose this death on any living being.

This is just a political stunt to make it look like the government is doing something and caring about our wildlife. Nothing could be further from the truth.

If the government cares so much about our native wildlife, why doesn't it stop native forest logging, land clearing and overdevelopment?

There ARE alternatives such as immuno contraception that has proven effective overseas.

Rather than spending millions of dollars continuing this shameful practice year after year why doesn't the government spend that money on sterilisation of horses that would eventually die down naturally?



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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**Name:** Ms Elizabeth Wiskin

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I have no doubt that my say will mean absolutely nothing to those who have already decided to carry out this atrocity but my sole argument is that no small body of people can accurately prove that any so-called damage caused by the horses is a justification to kill and terrify before slaughter. Nature will always right any changes in the wild and the greatest problem is man! Wake up to yourselves and leave the wilderness to look after itself - what gives you the right to destroy? The farmers and residents of these areas are the people who know what is going on - not tourists and city dwellers who wouldn't have a clue!

Life is precious for all - not just the few.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**Name:** Mrs Cheryl McMaugh

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Aerial shooting was previously banned because it is so inhumane, causing great pain & suffering. We are talking about using cold-hearted methods to injure & kill these poor creatures, they often suffer for long periods of time after being shot.

The actual number of brumbies has also been reported to be far less than indicated as per a new report by an independent biostatistician Claire Galea. This needs to be reviewed urgently.

Living creatures feel pain, fear and torment. The lack of compassion is heart breaking.

I am horrified at the extreme violence used and the lack of consultation. What message are you hoping to send to your voters & community. What sort of example are hoping to set?

This action should remain banned and never an option.

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

**Name:** Judith Sell

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Aerial culling of brumbies is inhumane. This type of cruelty has no place in a civilised society.

A correct count of the brumbies must be carried out.

I, & all people I know, are totally opposed to this type of slaughter.

Judi Sell

Submission  
No 369

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

**Name:** Miss Nao Newc

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Leave the Brumby's alone Wild pigs do more damage to the environment . Brumbys is part of our Australian Heritage.

Submission  
No 370

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

**Name:** Miss Summer Secret

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Stop the inhumane plan and execution of the aerial extermination and genocide of these sentient being whose ancestors built your country.

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

**Name:** Ms Rallou Lubitz

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I would like to add my voice in opposition to the aerial cull of Brumbys. It is brutal. It is cruel. Like many in the public who care about these wonderful animals I am appalled that non-lethal methods are not being used.

It is time to take away killing as an option and use compassion in decision making.

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

**Name:** Mr Michael Hoffman

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Key points is Brumbies have a cultural importance to the Australian history 250 000 horses served our country and only 1 returned, they are the descendants of those horses that kept our countries free. Australian and international tourist spend money looking at them. Other countries commercialize them.

They are habitual in the areas they live in and those areas have been Grazed,rabbit plagued,feral pigged and deered mined, snowy 2.0ed and even cultivated for over 150 years. The brumby precinct idea is easy to manage if its designated where they want to be. The same area is inundated with Pigs deer wild dogs and rabbits .Other elements that are creeping in are mountain bikes which its clear to see at thredbo have caused more damage with soil degradation in the last 10 years than all the previous mentioned causes of degradation have in nearly 200 years

The count is inaccurate, no way there is 20 000 wild horses in Kosciusko. A mob of brumbies is about 12 horses max as that's all a stallion can manage, the most we have seen on the currango plain the highest density in the park is 350 horses or about 40 mobs. The Northern area may have 3300 horses max and a permit to shoot 4000 would wipe them out. Trapping and rehoming is currently working. Shot animals should be removed from the waterways so tourists aren't subjected to the sight of mobs of shot horses.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**Name:** Ms Chloe-Nicole Bignoux

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I know submissions close in a couple of hours, so I will keep this very brief. I am very much opposed to the aerial ground shooting of brumbies. It absolutely devastates me that this has been referred to as 'humane management'. These beautiful animals aren't just shot and killed instantly and painlessly. They often suffer horrifically, for days. Often they are also pregnant and their unborn babies die a slow death too.... This is a disgusting and inexcusable thing to do. Please do not let it continue under any circumstances.

Thank you for your time.



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

**Name:** Ms Joanne Hagan

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

**Name:** Mrs Clelia Valdez

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I, Clelia Valdez, feel very strongly against the aerial shooting of brumbies, I think it's a cruel practice and creates unnecessary hurting to animals and speaks badly of our society.

I believe there are other ways, there is fertility control. A long term solution rather than shooting and creating unnecessary killing every few seasons.

Fertility control has been used for over 20 years in the United States in the form of an annual vaccine called Porcine Zona Pellucida (PZP).

Please reconsider the aerial shooting, it is cruel, it impacts the community in the ACT, it speaks bad of the Australian society and the government.

Thank you for your time.

Clelia Valdez

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

Name: Mr Bob Oort

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Brumbies have been unfairly scapegoated for too long. Environmental damage in Kosciuszko National Park cannot be solely attributed to brumbies; there are numerous contributing factors, including Snowy 2, increased tourism development, 4-wheel driving, and agricultural runoff. Recent incidents have highlighted the brutality brumbies face. In September, the Liberal-National Government shot an entire herd of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park, causing immense trauma to the community. Many horses suffered slow and agonising deaths, including pregnant mares who lost their foals. This is not humane. In May of this year, 67 horses in Kosciuszko National Park met a similarly brutal fate, shot in their necks and left to bleed out. Pregnant mares and foals perished. The government may label its brumby shooting and trapping program as humane, but it is anything but. The true extent of the killings and the fate of these horses remain uncertain. Flawed counting and inflated population numbers The survey methodology for counting brumbies has significant flaws, as highlighted by Independent Bio-statistician Claire Galea's recent report. Adding up horse counts from different years is not accurate or ethical – it's deception, not statistics. Implausible population estimates from flawed modelling techniques have been an ongoing concern, and one the Animal Justice Party has raised over many years. The Inquiry will be investigating current methodologies and calling for transparency and accuracy when assessing the brumby population.

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

**Name:** Ms Sarah Davis

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Environmental damage can not entirely be solely attributed to brumbies. Other contributing factors, including Snowy 2, the increase in tourism, 4-wheel driving, and agricultural runoff. The brutality brumbies face is horrendous with many suffering slow and torturous deaths including events that took place in September where the Liberal-National Government shot an entire herd of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park. It was immensely traumatic for the community. Mares lost their foals. It is simply inhumane. In May of this year, 67 horses in Kosciuszko National Park suffered similar brutality. Many horses shot in their necks and left to bleed out. Pregnant mares and foals perished. To label this, as the government has tried to as humane is inaccurate.

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No 378

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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Please consider other means than Aerial shooting of Brumbies. Try contraception in pellets

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PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL

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I have heard that there is extensive damage caused by feral horses in the Kosciusko national park. I am a conservationist and support the eradication of feral animals within all national parks of Australia. However, I strongly oppose the aerial culling of horses as a method to undertake control of these animals. I remember as a young child in the 1990s era a features front page new article about the culling of horses in the Kosciusko national park and how the horses were left to suffer only being maimed and not killed. This was so traumatising to read as an animal and nature lover. I would hate to think this would occur again for my children to read. Horses will break their legs fleeing from helicopters and cause significant pain and suffering. There are substantial other methods including using the helicopters to round them up into pens, trapping using feed and trust methods. These animals have been a part of Australia culture and a national round up could be a great annual event to find the horses and sell them or retrain as domestic animals. Please do not consider aerial culling as a humane method, the animal carcasses would ruin the national park landscape as well as cause significant pain and suffering of the animal.

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No 380

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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Leave poor Brumbies in peace! Aerial shooting is barbaric and is inappropriate for a developed country.

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No 381

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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I would just to say I am appalled and sickened by proposals to aerial cull our beautiful brumbies. I live a few hours away from Guy Fawkes National Park and remember the horror of 2000. This sort of cruelty has no place in Australia. I



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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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I am very much opposed to aerial shooting of the brumbies on the grounds that this is not a humane method.

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I am disgusted that penny Sharpe would want to aerial shoot Brumbies in Kosciusko National Park. I am against trapping, luring them to traps and shooting of Brumbies. They are our national icon and hold a dear place in my heart. They are sentient beings. Organisations work with Brumbies to help heal people of trauma. Brumbies are horses left their by my ancestors. I hold a deep connection to the land and all creatures in it. I demand you stop the bullets. I say NO to aerial shooting or land shooting of Brumbies. I have been literally sick and had to have time off work from the sickening images of shot Brumbies. Some heavily pregnant. I cannot imagine the trauma, pain and distress from bullets with silencers being shot into their mob. I am a rate payer in the snowy valley area. I love to see them in Kosciusko National Park. They bring me peace and joy. Tourists love to see them. Numbers have already be reduced by trapping. I am thankful rehorners have taken them and I support them. I have participated in raising awareness in the community about the Brumbies in Kosciusko National Park.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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I oppose aerial culling of the Brumby on the grounds that the numbers are not there as quoted by NPWS the simple fact that brumbies can not increase by up to 40% per year as NPWS are quoting. Even on their own website they quote in ideal conditions the brumby can only increase by a maximum of 20% per year. A simple way to find out the truth is get into a helicopter with an independent group and fly over the NP within a 4-5 hour flight you will be able to see for yourself. As long as it is done by a pilot outside of the anti brumby group.

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**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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Aerial shooting is cruel and unjust, many of us not in NSW travel to Kosi to see the beautiful Brumbies, if you view any main damage it is from the trucks, Kosi Hydro and wild pigs than the Brumbies.

The risk of fire in the park would increase a lot without the assistance of the Brumbies. How such inflated fake numbers could be used for how many Brumbies are left in the park is also a disgrace, hoping the enquiry makes public, the killing campaign of your Minister and her motivation for their deaths.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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Please do not destroy our Iconic Brumbies. Their ancestors took our soldiers to war. Please let them live their lives in KNP without the fear of being shot. We showcased our Brumbies in the 2000 Olympic Games for the world to see. Now some in high places want them destroyed. Please do not allow this to happen

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**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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Ariel Culling is barbaric, and can leave the horses to die a slow and inhumane death. And as far as your brumby count goes, it is filled with flaws. How could you think a counter who only walks eg 10km x 10km counts the number of brumbies in that square, then multiplies that by the number by the size of KNP, is accurate, is beyond me. It is worst guesstimation I have ever heard of in history of counting animals. If your count is to be credible you need to tag all brumbies, to track and monitor.

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No 388

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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I believe it's time that the government did an honest Re count of our Wild Horses in Australia and consider leaving them in the Wild! To stop the brutal killing of them and consider using them more as a tourist attraction instead!

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PLEASE ENQUIRE AS TO THE METHOD USED TO COUNT THE BRUMBIES. WE WERE UP IN THE AREA IN JANUARY AND DIDN'T SEE ANY BRUMBIES, LET ALONE THE TENS OF THOUSANDS THAT CERTAIN PEOPLE CLAIM ARE UP THERE. THE ENVIRONMENT WAS SPECTACULAR UNLIKE THE DAMAGE REPORTED. THERE ARE SOME ICONIC BRUMBY FAMILY GROUPS THAT ARE WELL KNOWN AND LOVED BY A LOT OF PEOPLE. IT WOULD BE A SHAME TO LOSE THEM. THERE ARE SOME REPUTABLE GROUPS AND PEOPLE WHO KEEP TABS ON OUR BRUMBIES AND HAVE SENSIBLE, HUMANE IDEAS ON HOW TO CONTROL NUMBERS AND ENSURE A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT. PLEASE CONSULT WITH THESE PEOPLE. PLEASE CONSIDER PUTTING MEASURES IN PLACE TO CONTROL NUMBERS OF PIGS AND DEER UP IN THE HIGH COUNTRY. THESE ANIMALS CAUSE MUCH MORE DAMAGE AND HARM THAN OUR BRUMBIES YET THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANY STRATEGY TO CONTROL THEIR NUMBERS. AND FINALLY, LOOK AT THE DAMAGE THE HUMAN RACE IS CAUSING UP THERE. I KNOW WE NEED THE INFRASTRUCTURE BUT TO FALSELY CLAIMM THE BRUMBIES ARE CAUSING THE ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE IS NOT FAIR AND DOWNRIGHT CRIMINAL. PLEASE ACT TO PROTECT OUR WILD HORSES.



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I'm writing this on behalf of the Kosko n all Brumbies. They need a voice. I don't believe a guessing game is the way to get an accurate head count so stop guessing and actually do something about it. What about the cruelty factor in this the way your shooting them and leaving them to die a slow painful death it's disgusting. You should be protecting the brumbies they helped build this country, they went to war for our country what more do they have to do to be able to live free. Y

Submission  
No 391

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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Please stop aerial shooting of all brumbies as this is not a humane manner to cull/manage these beautiful innocent animals.

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No 392

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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I just wish to express my disgust at any suggestion of any reintroduction of aerial shooting of our heritage brumbies seeing the information given about numbers is false..There fore I suggest a recount be done and a more humane solution be found.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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Culling of Brumbies should stop immediately until a better solution can be found. This could include a program of sterilization rather than outright killing.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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The management of Brumbies needs to change. Other more ethical and accurate processes / solutions have been put forward. The barbaric nature of of the shooting offers no accountability, effective counting and causes long and torturous suffering for the animals and the community that is aware of it.

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No 395

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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Please end the culling of brumbies. Shooting from the air often doesn't kill them immediately and the are left to die in a long and agonising way.. If numbers have to be reduced there must be a more humane way to do this.

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**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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That Penny Sharpe and National parks do a proper count of brumbies in KNP not the flawed one that they seem to believe that has never been right as a local I have seen such lot of lies and that aerial shooting should never have even ground shooting as all the carcasses did not have head shot all were left to rot on streams that the endangered species they talk about could very well be die from leaving them there they should cease trapping and shooting until they have a accurate count as there aren't 3,000 in the KNP

Submission  
No 397

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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Inquiry for Brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park Leave the Brumbies alone! Don't we all deserve a life free of fear and abuse. These animals are no different.



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TO: Senate Inquiry on Brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park While I appreciate the challenges in managing the environment in the national park I am mortified that the culling of brumbies is being carried out in an inhumane way that leaves the animals to die slowly and in agony. Surely we live in an age where, if an animal needs to be euthanatized it can be achieved with the least possible pain. I call on the inquiry to draw strict boundaries around the killing of animals, only when necessary and in a way that causes the least pain to the animal, and herd.

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The death of brumbies based on flawed population methodologies needs immediate re assessment. When entire herds including foals are killed it not ok and our brumbies need to be treated better and taken into care. And I don't believe we know all of it. I support the terms of reference put forward by the Animal Welfare Committee.  
<https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/lcdocs/inquiries/2991/TOR%20-%20Proposed%20aerial%20shooting%20of%20brumbies%20in%20Kosciuszko%20National%20Park.pdf>

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Please stop this barbaric treatment immediately. Along with the other animals in the region they are part of the system which supports the area and everything in it. In a country the size of yours there is room for all, and once one species is removed the entire balance is upset and a. Other species then either die out or in themselves become a problem because of higher numbers. Given the size of your country surely the money spent on this totally inhumane and brutal cull could be spent on relocation? Please do the right thing, or one day there wont be any wildlife, horses have served humans in so many ways over the years, and certainly dont deserve this horrendous treatment.

Submission  
No 401

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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Stop all shooting of brumbies . Achieve an accurate count of the brumby population. Leave 3000 brumbies protected. NO AERIAL CULLING !!

Submission  
No 402

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

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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I support an inquiry into this issue

Submission  
No 403

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**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

**Name:** Name suppressed

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Lease allow these beautiful horses to keep living. Do not cull them.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

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**Name:** Name suppressed

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Stop this killing it's senseless cruel barbaric and very undeserved. We gave these horses their freedom when we no longer needed them, they made their own way let them continue.

Aerial shooting is no way to control the numbers it's sickening.

Make me sick even thinking about it ashamed to be human.

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

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To the Senate,

Shooting is ineffective – the population will adapt to the loss

Alternative suggestions: immunocontraception, increased funding for brumby sanctuaries and rehoming programs

Using a variety of non-lethal alternatives.

Brumbies are sentient animals that are worthy of protection.

The greatest issue is that non-lethal approaches are not even being considered. The current arguments against them are ‘too expensive’, ‘too difficult’, ‘not enough evidence’, yet if no resources are diverted to further research, then we’ll never know if these measures could work practically.

Consequently, it is important that we adopt a longer-term view toward population control of introduced species.

Regards



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

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The support of aerial killing, shooting and trapping of our brumbies is not how we should be treating these beautiful animals.

It has been brought to my attention that the numbers killed during recent periods is inaccurate and lacking merit. Brumbies left to bleed out to die after being shot in the throat from arial barbaric culling methods. This cruelty has to stop now...

A parliament enquiry is secured to bring the real truth to the table. These ridiculous cruel and unnecessary practices which will be exposed through previous inaccurate reporting.

It's time to wake up and let these animals be free like all animals should be.

Thank you

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It is all too easy to blame our wild and native animals, when its too hard to find a solution to a problem. Flawed systems churn out inaccurate numbers and false positive outcomes. Shame on us for not caring enough about our wildlife that we simply and inhumanely shoot them, without looking deeper into the matter and providing more appropriate solutions.

We have to start somewhere, no matter how small the "issue". It is up to us to start acting like responsible humans and protecting our animals and our planet.

The protection of brumbies is one such "issue". Let's stand up for our defenceless wildlife and protect them from our destruction. I urge all of our politicians to stand up for our wildlife before its too late.

Submission  
No 408

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

**PARTIALLY CONFIDENTIAL**

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Aerial shooting is a very cruel way of controlling brumby numbers .... there must be a better way!  
Many of the horses will die a slow and painful death at the hands of shooters who don't manage  
to kill them outright.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing in my capacity as a veterinarian and believe the arial shooting of the brumbies is absolutely barbaric.

What a horrendous message we are sending out to the world about our beliefs. It makes me embarrassed to be Australian.

There are definitely more humane ways of managing the situation, albeit more expensive.

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

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I am against the aerial shooting of Brumbies in Kosciusko National Park.

Aerial shooting is abhorrently cruel and barbaric.

It is impossible for a shooter to get a clean kill shot from a moving platform on a moving target.

The Brumby slaughter which took place in Guy Fawkes National Park in October 2000 proves this. Horses were found still alive and in agony, peppered with bullets, back shots, and jaws blown off. The suffering of those horses that were left to die and suffer for days is proof enough that aerial shooting should not ever be considered.

The RSPCA filed 225 acts of animal cruelty against National Parks and Wildlife Service

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Brumbies have roamed the Kosciuszko National Park for decades & are part of the landscape, although they were originally introduced I feel they have earned the right to have the status of a native species. Current methods of culling ie aerial shooting where many are left to die excruciating deaths are unacceptably cruel, what's happened to animal welfare, we are not a third world country.

Unfortunately re-homing, though wonderful, only saves a few & sterilisation is expensive but not compared to the mountains of money Governments waste. Conservationists are invaluable but sometimes have their own agenda which is at odds with that of the general population, they need to acknowledge the other myriad factors that cause environmental damage eg tourist development, encroaching on natural habitat, 4-wheel driving, climate change & floods. Don't let us sacrifice such an iconic species as our Brumbies at the whim of a small lobby group.

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I think your counts are flawed and the humans and hydro 2 are doing more damage than the brumbies , Brumbies have been unfairly scapegoated for too long. Environmental damage in Kosciuszko National Park cannot be solely attributed to brumbies; there are numerous contributing factors, including Snowy 2, increased tourism development, 4-wheel driving, and agricultural runoff. Recent incidents have highlighted the brutality brumbies face. In September, the Liberal-National Government shot an entire herd of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park, causing immense trauma to the community. Many horses suffered slow and agonising deaths, including pregnant mares who lost their foals. This is not humane. In May of this year, 67 horses in Kosciuszko National Park met a similarly brutal fate, shot in their necks and left to bleed out. Pregnant mares and foals perished. The government may label its brumby shooting and trapping program as humane, but it is anything but. Whoever authorised this disgusting behaviour should have criminal charges brought against them .

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There has to be a new approach to environmental management and protection of animals, one that is appropriate for the century we are in: our values, our commitments to the appropriate treatment of animals, and our responsibility toward showing younger generations how things can be done without injustice, cruelty, short-cuts and poor reasoning.

We are in the 21st century in terms of values, as well as technology, and we need to demonstrate that what was acceptable in the past is now unacceptable, demeaning of ourselves and our humanity, as well as cruel to animals.

Leadership is about having the courage to lead the way in new ways, ways that do not betray our responsibility to all other creatures on our planet.

I do hope that our political leaders have the courage to stand for the values of a society that is increasingly opposed to brutality, callousness and economic rationalism.



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I am making this submission in support of banning aerial shooting in respect of Brumbies, which is unethical and heartless and any type of killing of Brumbies should be halted. The methods of estimating is not robust as is the case with kangaroos. Taking small counts and then extrapolating these over the entire area is not acceptable as an accurate means of calculation.

Non lethal controls and the management of the park should be more fairly and independently studied.

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Dear Sir/Madam,

The current method of shooting Brumbies to control population is simply not good enough. It is extremely cruel, inhumane and frankly ineffective considering the vast countryside.

I know I speak for many, including those whom live in the areas where the so-called 'issue' is, when I say it is incredibly distressing and unacceptable to allow this cruel method of control to continue. We call for you to implement humane, non-lethal population controls.

Many travel to these mountain areas to trek and hope to sight Brumbies. They are a majestic animal and from my visits and speaking with locals, the brumbies cause no damage or harm. They deserve respect and kindness.

Please make a change for the better, it is not hard to be kind.

Kind Regards,

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I'll cut to the chase here. The extermination of the brumbies in the high country must stop. Why do politicians blindly follow what is quite obviously a propaganda campaign funded by donations & government endorsed. You have been advised over the years by many with equine qualifications & world wide evidence that what you believe is vindictive & wrong. No studies have been done officially or objectively & every positive piece of information you receive you choose to ignore. People have lost faith in this country. Honesty & integrity where has it gone? The Cairns Method of counting horses is not endorsed by St Andrew's. Clair Galea & Joanne Canning are experts in their fields. Joanne dedicating years of detailed considered dedication to the brumby cause. Dean Marsland has travelled many kilometres doing videos for us all to learn & see the truth he is well qualified to do so & highly respected by many people. His commentary is simply enlightening. We as brumby advocates know that brumby removal has ramped up specifically to remove as many as possible as fast as possible prior to our voices being heard. What an unfair system we have. There is at this point likely around 1000 horses left! Under the 3000 agreed to in the management plan. STOP the killing & stop removals now!

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I wish to add my name in support of safe and humane treatment of brumbies. They are feeling caring animals with strong family ties and we need to treat them accordingly. If a reduction in there numbers is required it must be done with care and compassion. Yours sincerely

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No 418

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I would like to submit my submission against the shooting of the Kosciusko brambles.. it is inhumane and totally unjustified..

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I would like to submit my opposition to the shooting of the Kosciusko brambles.. it is inhumane and unjustified.. these horses are iconic to the area and the history of the snowy mountains they should be reviewed not destroyed

Submission  
No 420

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Mine is a short submission. Wild horses and other feral species should be removed from Kosciuszko National Park and parks generally by all available means. Thank you.

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No 421

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This cruelty to our beautiful brumbies must stop NOW. Shame on our Government for this cruel aerial cull ..and the deceit and lies about their numbers on the land. We are a laughing stock to the world with this Govt and leaders who know nothing of the brumby history in Australia.



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Thank you for accepting my submission. I will address the following points: A. The counting methods are significantly flawed. This was highlighted by Independent Bio-statistician Claire Galea's recent report. Adding up horse counts from different years cannot be accurate nor ethical. C. Not to dismiss concerns about native species but Brumbies have been scapegoated for too long. There are many other factors to attribute the environmental damage to, Snowy 2, increased tourism development, 4 wheel driving and agricultural run off. All human activity contributes hugely to native animal endangerment. E. Aerial shooting is brutal and inhumane. Many horses have suffered slow and agonising deaths, including pregnant mares with foals, having been shot in the neck and left to bleed out. H. The government should have a responsibility to fund research into, and implement, humane alternatives, for example immunocontraception.

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I object to the cruel slaughter of the heritage brumbies. Numbers have been grossly over exaggerated. The number of horses would be one tenth of what is stated. I know that it is hard to even see or find any brumbies especially in the southern end of this park as it is where I live and walk the bush extensively I am now seeing wild dogs/pigs which in 30yrs we have not had but that is due to the illegal shooting that occurs as hunters do not take the carcasses. leaving them behind to encourage feral animals to feed on. The RSPCA apparently approve this slaughter of brumbies but doubt they actually see how slow a death the animals endure. Governments working with the government, no wonder the public do not trust or believe the government when the public see what is truly happening and not the lies that are being propagated. A Royal Commission would be warranted but doubt the Government would investigate itself . The division this slaughter is causing within the community is very tragic. I just ask not to slaughter the brumbies as if it is allowed the Government and its puppets will then say afterwards. what else can we eliminate..... kangaroos, emus wombats, then it will be cattle. and the list will go on and on.

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My qualifications include a Bachelor of Applied Science Environmental Management and Diploma in Gemology. As a qualified person who has visited the Alpine regions of NSW and Victoria, I believe Bumble population numbers are inflated and inaccurate. Although these animals do cause some degradation to vegetation, the overall impact is minimal compared with grazing cattle, wild pigs, goats and rabbits. In addition, these animals are iconic and have historical and cultural significance to the alpine regions. The aerial shooting of the superb animals is extremely cruel and inhumane with a large number of animals left to suffer in agony with foals also orphaned and left to die. Many pregnant females are also exposed to substantial wounds, trauma and suffering. I therefore strongly oppose to the murder of these magnificent and iconic animals and recommend a process in which the animals are gathered and used wherever possible for stock horses or sold as pets or farm animals. Thank you. In

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As an owner of 2 brumbies, these horse although extremely intelligent need to be left with their family units, they are bonded to these other hoses. They grieve horribly at separations. The inhumane methods of illegal removal from the park are horrific. Mares Stallions and foals are left to die slowly from body shots, while mares are dying foals are aborted never having a chance, These acts are well documented by photographers in the mountains who find the bodies and bullet riddled bodies,. The public is never notified that gun happy individuals, parks contract to the lowest bidder, are shooting in near proximity, again well documented by independent organisations and general public who were nearby on many occasions. Trapped and trucked to knackeries despite rehoming being a legislated option re the NSW brumbiy bill 3000 brumbies was to be ther the magic number left in the mountain, we are way below this number, the fires claimed many, all animals.als were lost although Parks claimed the brumbies were exempt from this...how is my question, every thing was whiped out. Using flawed methodology for counts to further their agenda this must stop. Independent organisations with no stake in this need to be used and scrutinised before any further action is taken These individuals can't get a clear shot from rhe ground, how will the do it from the air, just look at the massacre at Guy Fawlkes or Singleton. This should never be an option.

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Please NO Aerial culling of Brumbies. An independent recount by Bio statisticians is overdue. No more methodology by Stuart Cairns! It is flawed & how many animals have been wrongly culled because of it!? We the general public are in disbelief & shock that killing of many species has happened & condoned by government. Rehomers are willing & able to take more wild horses! Please note that in most of KNP there is NO bad impact that I have heard about. Only GOOD impact. Remove the horses & the Bushfire risk is huge. Then there will be nothing left to save. Wild horse numbers are believed to be well under 3000 now. Using actual head counts. The wild pig population will take over with the horses gone. STOP the culls. A proper head count now please. The equine experts should be in charge not ecologists from ISC. They don't understand wild horse ecology & by their past statements they have no idea. Joanne Canning, Dean Marsland, Karren Summers, Claire Galea & the brumby photographers are a wealth of knowledge begging to be listened to & advise.

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I believe that the shooting of wild horses is completely inhumane and cannot be carried out humanely. It is not possible to kill the horses with one shot. The horses are being badly wounded, many with several bullets on them, and can take days to finally die in agony. Pregnant mares are aborting foals and being left to be pulled apart by wild dogs and pigs. This whole exercise is shameful.

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Stop the killing of our Brumbies

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Please please reconsider your plans to kill the Brumbies. They are an important part of Australia's heritage. They are magnificent creatures who deserve respect and to live a good life. Aerial culling cannot possibly ensure a quick painless death. There will be injured horses suffering needlessly, foals without their mothers so they will end up dying a slow, miserable death. It's inhumane and disgraceful. It makes me ashamed to be an Australian. Please do not kill the Brumbies!!!



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Protect the Brumbies. What about the damage pigs and deer do in the snowy mountains, and all the earthworks taking place for the Snowy mountains scheme. Inhumane what is happening.

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There is strong evidence that aerial shooting of wild horses is barbaric and brutal and causes enormous suffering. It is an animal welfare issue. Horses are gentle peaceable creatures which co habit successfully with all other species. There is strong evidence to suggest that the brumby numbers have been inflated for ideological reasons to justify culling the horses. Brumbies have lived in the park for many generations and perform a valuable role in preserving habitat by acting as first line fire fighters and disseminating native grass seed. Unlike pigs horses do not prey on small animals, eggs or amphibians and reptiles yet they are blamed. A sustainable and humanely managed population of horses in the park would be beneficial and the possible negative effects of removing them could be catastrophic. Horse numbers could be managed by trapping and rehoming. It is time to stop allowing horse hating ideologues to control the discourse and management of the wild horse population.

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My family and I attended Kosi park frequently especially the Long plain area and Tang area and have for years. We agree there needs to be a management plan for example there was an badly injured horse one weekend and when asked who to notify to assess the situation so the animal didn't suffer but no one was contactable. It is so clear and obvious that the Brumbies keep the grass in areas like under the power lines which is massive for the fire seasons. Which 100% saved alot of areas and animals in the park 19/ 20 fires The numbers are absolutely being incorrectly published we explore many areas from Kiandra, Yarrangobilly to Eucumbene. The iconic Brumby is part of Australian History and is disappointing the community and public is not being heard. The recent massacres is absolutely horrific and for the park to do this not to take consideration the impact to children an the publics mental health is appalling. To come across over 100 dead horse with the baby's is a clear violation on Animal rights among many many other things. Absolutely heartless and inhumane.

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I agree the number of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park needs to be reduced, but this must be done in a humane manner. Aerial culling is not the answer. If this was the preferred option for the current NSW Government, it should have been taken to the voters earlier this year in the NSW State election - it wasn't. This is not just about what happened in Guy Fawkes National Park in 2000. Aerial shooting does not have a 100 per cent success rate and also increases the stress of the animals - how many foals will be orphaned or horses left to die excruciating deaths? The same arguments were used in 2000, that aerial culling was a "humane method" of reducing numbers. If the public hadn't stumbled upon what the allegedly expert marksmen had done in Guy Fawkes, the general public would have had no idea what had gone on there. Put the effort and resources in to humane trapping instead.

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Seeking an honest enquiry Re the calculated and dishonest methods used to cull our Australian brumbies. There needs to be accountability for the incorrect information currently being acted upon. No animals deserve to suffer in this manner. Additionally the supposed damage caused by the brumbies needs to be reassessed and it might pay to look at other countries methods to preserve these precious animals.

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I am very disappointed and heart broken that the government continues the barbaric inhumane practice of aerial shooting the brumbies. As is evident, human activity is causing most of the damage in the Australia Alps, with hundreds of camp sites, many caravan parks, bike and walking trails, 4WD tracks, ongoing development of ski resorts to name a few. Please show some heart and stop this abhorrent killing, where these majestic animals are maimed and left to die in an excruciating way. Please restore my faith in this government. Thank you

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I know we have to do something but please remember that we humans cause more harm than the brumbies! Even the snow making up there has consequences as does everything we do including farming, development, forestry, 1080 poisons, sprays, etc.

It breaks my heart to see and hear how these beautiful animals are being shot from the air and dying such painful death. I have witnessed family values among these gentle beings when hiking up that way! They have feelings.

I care very much about our environment and all our wildlife but I also can't help my empathy towards other living beings. I wonder if we can find an alternative. It is just so sad.

Why can't we herd the brumbies to country where they won't cause harm and help out our wildlife including kangaroos (who should also not be shot as they also display family values and have feelings as well as being important to our eco system ) to manage fire risks. Mind you with the horses, we would have to keep them moving so they don't cause harm whereas the kangaroos should be left alone to do their job to manage our forests

Or you can spade some of the Brumbies and let them live out their lives on properties?

Anyway, there must be a better solution than this cruelty?

Thank you

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It is inhumane to cull such beautiful animals. I vote no to the cull. Brumbies have earned respect and should live in peace. They do not Make a huge environmental impact, four wheel drives do more damage but yet You do nothing about them.



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Brumbies are a significant cultural icon and deserve to be respected. I understand numbers need to be controlled, however aerial shooting is not humane or respectful of the animal. Shooting animals from a helicopter does not allow for the animal to be checked that it is dead and not just injured. Especially if it runs under cover. It also means none of the animal's meat is used, and it instead just goes to waste and helps feed wild dogs (increasing their numbers). Aerial shooting is not hunting. It does not encapsulate any of the principles of fair chase, respect for the animal, use as much meat as you can etc etc. The real debate should be about expanding hunting opportunities for people who already enjoy the outdoors and participate in hunting, to provide further control of game animals and pest species such as deer and wild brumbies. This could be done through a tag system. That way, we will provide a social and environmental benefit. Food for thought.

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How is it that you've once again leant on horrific slaughter as a solution with the brumbies? Is this what we vote for?

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To whom it may concern,

It cannot be overemphasised how import it is to NOT implement aerial culling of the brumbies (wild horses).

As a farmer who shoots their sick and injured stock, I have firsthand knowledge of much skill is required for an accurate shot and how difficult this can be. Add in the fact you are in a moving vehicle and the accuracy of what you need to be able to achieve is virtually impossible, it is more a case of luck to hit the target correctly.

As an advanced society it is still abhorrent that this sort of control method is even considered. A farmer who needs to cull stock due to poor prices at point of sale would never do this in the manner that is suggested by NSW Parks as they are fully aware of how inhumane it is.

Please consider the social implications of what you are proposing and the trauma that you will potentially cause the public too. There is more than enough ugliness in the world without actually doing this on purpose.

Kind regards

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NO shooting of brumbies! A complete moratorium on this is needed, this heartless approach should never have been considered. The people of NSW do not support the aerial killing, shooting, trapping, and mistreatment of brumbies.

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I am disgusted by the way the government has been targeting brumbies. Surely agricultural run off and four wheel driving can finally be addressed instead of the usual scapegoat tactic which wastes time and resources. I look forward to hearing how this gross mistreatment will be finished.

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Extremely sadness I would visit the brumbies for my mental health. Cruel and barbarick cruel and I would love to know after 200 years what the government agenda is.

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I find it ironic that an ad on Facebook invites me to go on a 7 day horseback camping experience. Do these horses have special powers? Levitate and survive on air alone. The slaughter and leaving carcasses is not only barbaric but it also provides a food source for other feral animals. Extremely short sighted. How many visitors to KNP will get to witness first hand the killing fields and leave feeling sad and disgusted. Shameful management.

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No Brumby shooting.



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Brumbies are an important part of our history and deserve our respect. No government should be able to take the life of helpless animals that are not hurting or disturbing anyone or anything. There are other animals that cause any damage to their park environment and yet they are not under attack. Brumbies are now part of the eco system. They also attract many tourists to the Mountains in hope of spotting a wild brumby. It would be devastating to see their removal in this inhumane way. Shooting is not a kind method at all. Perhaps we can see the removal of any politician that condones this evil practice.

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The New South Wales Government needs to protect the Brumbies in the Konicki National Park and in the Snowy Mountains area. They are a part of Australia's heritage, they are not doing any damage to the Land up there in fact there is more damage down to the area by rabbits and wild pigs. Protect the Brumbies, and STOP NPWS from shooting them NOW

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It's absolute disgrace the way Australian government is handling so called problem of wild horses. Instead of protecting the heritage, these beautiful animals are being killed. . Time to put stop to this animal cruelty!

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Anyone shooting from an aircraft CANNOT be absolutely 100% of a clean and instant kill no matter their skill or experience. Also how do you tell old mares from fillies old stallions from colts, for that matter how can the shooter identify pregnant mares or mares from stallions . There are other more humane ways to control these heritage homes.

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I vote NO to the aerial culling of brumbies in the Kosciuszko National Park.

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I object to the proposed aerial shooting of brumbies in the Kosciusko National Park. This cull is absolute cruelty! And the misinformation of numbers of brumbies in the park.

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No 452

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I condemn the aerial shooting of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park. It is a criminal act of violence against animals. It has to be stopped now.

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Apart from the number of brumbies being outrageously enlarged aerial shooting is totally barbaric as most of the shot brumbies die an agonising death that takes from hours to days . Anyone who thinks this is a humane death has obviously not seen one Most females are pregnant and young foals are targeted as well There has to be a better way. Gelding the stallions would be better



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Aerial shooting is absolutely horrific! I met an aerial brumby shooter who said it was so cruel and traumatic for him he will never do it again! Ground shooting of a horse from a distance is also cruel on every level! The excuses and lines used “feral” “environmental damage” this does not excuse animal cruelty. Numbers are grossly blown out of proportion!! This just has to stop! Now! Please? Just stop! Re-homing works! I have two incredible Kosciuszko brumbies. They are the sweetest, SMARTEST, most affectionate horses I’ve ever owned! Sterilisation darts should be researched and keep these heritage iconic beautiful animals for generations to come! And re-home, re-home!! Remember the shooter who does culling for a living and was still traumatised!! This speaks volumes!! Put everyone who supports this on a zoom of the actual event happening! And then ask.. can I really support this? Too easy to sign documents from an office. Go and look at it happening.. then decide if it’s humane! Because it is just brutally cruel and criminal! . Please please take this all on board and give real consideration.

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

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NO - I do not support aerial culling. I believe it to be a hideous method of any animal control. Many horses suffered slow and agonising deaths. I believe the counting method is flawed and the government has inflated the population numbers. There are other methods of control.

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I have been visiting KNP for many years and know the govt brumby count is false. I take photos of brumbies and the environment. I see very little damage by brumbies, at times a few hoof marks around streams, mainly in wet weather. All the waterways I see in KNP are crystal clear, it's a fact that animals do not toilet where they drink. Ariel shooting is cruel and if an animal is wounded, left to die a slow death. Apart from the cruelty of arias shooting, the brumby numbers quoted by govt are way out. At times I haven't seen a brumby for hours. Last time I was at Long Plain, I counted 150 brumbies, from Long Plain rd to Currango. I urge the NSW govt to rethink the stance to use arias shooting.

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I am absolutely disgusted with the the NSW Government plan to start aerial shooting in Kosciuszko National Park. It was horrendously barbaric and totally unnecessary. In this day and age I cannot believe these practices are approved.

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They are harmless animals that do not need to be slaughtered and so cruelly. There is not enough of them up there to deem being culled. Get off you arses for once and take a look for yourselves, not only will you see lack of numbers you will also see all the carnage of the poor souls that have been shot and suffered because they were not a direct bullet to the head. There were pregnant mares and foals that have done nothing wrong and did not deserve to be slaughtered so inhumanly. If you think they are pests and are creating such havoc maybe you should look in the mirror.

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This is a horrible thing to suggest doing to such harmless creatures. They've existed this long up there with no problems. The brumbies are not a problem needing "fixing" and the supposed numbers are far too high. There's nothing right about what is happening especially when slaughtering foals not long born, or even still in the womb while the mother bleeds out.

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I am shocked and horrified at the recent inhumane slaughter of brumbies in KNP. The majority were shot in the neck and stomach which would have caused an enormous amount of suffering. Heavily pregnant mares and foals were also shot. I strenuously object to this barbaric form of "management". A proper recount of the brumbies is needed before these magnificent heritage horses fall below a sustainable population.

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These horses have been here well before the National Park .... this is their land and their heritage... the very thought of shooting them randomly and leaving them die a stressful and painful death, to be left half dead and to be feasted on by wild dogs and pigs whilst still alive is absolutely appalling and a abhorrent act on the NPWS and the Government. Then Introducing aerial culling? Anyone remember Guys Fawkes National Park and how that went down for the government. Try using tax payers money where it will actually help those that truly need it !



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No Aerial culling of brumbies ever! It is cruel the ground shooters are doing their own thing & ignoring the rspcas agreed upon operating procedures. Not adhering to their protocols. Horses not having an instant death. I had a Facebook conversation with a hunter who stated he knew the team currently contracted to parks & explicitly said how they shoot according to their own perceptions not how they are told to. That I didn't know what I was talking about & their way was the best way. I assume these people also shoot from helicopters & therefore will have similar outcomes. The thread was on a post on Emma Hursts FB page. I have a fb page called The Brumby Council. He went into detail how they do it. Also a local area newspaper article stated recently there has been 200 plus horses shot by helicopter recently. Penny Sharpe says otherwise. Do NPWS ever tell the truth? Dead horses photographed in Tangaratta Dam. NPWS are liars. Hardly any horses left rehome them or leave them be. Please.

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I would like the cruel barbaric slaughter of our brumbies to cease

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I would like it noted that I find any suggestions of aerial shooting abhorrent & plainly cruel. Let's not forget Guy Fawkes - the massacre. I would suggest horse numbers are grossly overstated & these mass killings are unwarranted & should be made illegal. We want a formal correct count - with scientific evidence from overseas & local Brumby advocates taken into account. Another ill informed massacre must not be allowed. As an Australian citizen I beg that the lives of our precious Brumbies be protected & celebrated.

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I believe that due to incorrect information on the number of horses and the type of disadvantages and advantages they have in a eco system, Parks have undertaken a slaughter that is unnecessary and cruel as well as environmentally damaging. I believe the slaughter needs to be stopped and a full inquiry undertaken. Horses are being killed while rehomingers are still waiting for horses. There are many ways to manage any issues. There are also far bigger issues on in the environment which are negatively impacting on it, that are not been dealt with- for example wild pigs. Stop the slaughter and start to listen to those that care.

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I'm totally opposed to the removal of Brumbies from Kosciusko NP; I believe they are now part of the environment of the High Country; they must be legally protected under the UN International Biodiversity Conservation Strategy; I am totally opposed to any shooting of the animals, the wild horses we know as Brumbies either from ground or aerial. I believe that more effort and leniency towards rehoming the animals must be considered as a better option than their slaughter. Thankyou for the opportunity to make this submission.

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As an observer watching all that has been going on in your parks regarding the removal and ariel culling of many many Brumbies I must say that I am extremely shocked that this has happened. Firstly, I believe there was a massively over estimated count of the Brumbies Secondly, Ariel shooting of many Brumbies that have just been left to die, some not shot cleanly so have lingering deaths is totally babaric. It has truely put me ever wanting to even visit Australia. Shame on the government.

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I totally oppose the aerial culling of wild horses or any other animal. I have seen pictures of wild horses with visible bullet wounds running with their herd trying to escape the shooters. This breaks my heart. I am a horse owner and have been for most of my life and I simply can not understand how aerial culling - even 'best practice' aerial culling can be considered a humane option. You plan on shooting a moving panicked target from a moving helicopter. Do you then intend to immediately land the chopper and check that each horse shot is indeed dead and not lying on the ground terrified and in unimaginable pain for even one second longer than they should be? Is that in your 'best practice' plan??? I also strongly believe that wild horse numbers have been greatly over exaggerated and that you have no respect at all for wild horses heritage values. What a story to tell future generations - that the country was once upon a time proud of and inspired by these beautiful horses but then the government and national parks decided they were a pest and we had too many so we shot them from choppers and let them die sad horrific deaths. That's what I am telling everyone anyway because that is the truth. Makes me so sad 😞

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to whom it may concern, please stop the slaughter of our beautiful HERITAGE Brumbies, they do not deserve to be treated this way, stallions mares foals all shot and their carcasses just left where they dropped to rot. i ask that you take the time to visit KNP with some of the people who know the area and brumbies well and see for yourself just how beautiful it is and that it isn't the brumbies destroying the area but feral pigs deer and thousands of rabbits, it is mentally distressing to myself and many others knowing this carnage is occurring on a regular basis, Please Stop it before they are all gone and are just a memory and tale passed on.



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For years & years we have been asking to be heard on the plight of our defenceless Heritage Brumbies , the heart wrenching, senseless, sickeningly CRUEL massacre of these defenceless Brumbies.....this has caused over whelming emotional, mental torment for thousands of people, the stress, anxiety, heart breaking loss ....❤️👤❤️ ALL SHOOTING, GROUND & AERIAL TO BE TOTALLY BANNED IMMEDIATELY....This has been ignored for FAR TOO LONG...thousands of Brumbies slaughtered, left to SUFFER, for in agony .., wondering why is this happening to me..😭😭😭 What a TERRIFYING way to die...these inhumane, cruelest acts of blatant disregard for for a living being....is shocking beyond coping with this horror Please , let's come together, have a future for these beloved Heritage Brumbies to be protected from IMMENSE TRAUMA...there IS A BETTER WAY..!!! NO KILLING, They soooo deserve our compassion, kind treatment, rehoming....❤️👤❤️

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I wish to see the culling of brumbies in koziusko Park ceased immediately. Parks and the Environment ministers have mishandled, mismanaged, Parks and its contents gor far too long, proving they are inadequate in their positions. Brumbies have roamed these parks for over 200 years. Brumby numbers should have been controlled by rehoming as a first priority. Ministers and Heads of departments need to get off their fat lazy butts and sctuslly have a first hand look at the parks instead of relying on text messages or statements from lower counterparts. A proper count of brumbies will prove Government calculations wrong 10 fold, but Ministers are scated theyll be proven wrong. Man up grow a backbone, and do a real count instead of slsughtering animsls and leaving carcasses on wzlking tracks and in waterways. Take some responsibilty for the positions you hold cause when it boils down to it were paying you lazy bastards to do a job you have no idea about

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I'm absolutely against any form of lethal management of the brumbies. It's inhumane and Un Australian to be killing our heritage horses that are in such manageable numbers in the wild. Fertility control should be used to keep the herds in manageable numbers as they are.

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No 473

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BRUMBIES IN KOSCIUSZKO NATIONAL PARK**

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Absolutely barbaric to cull the brumbies!!! They are part of our history, our heritage!!! KILL THE CULL!!! SAVE OUR HERITAGE BRUMBIES!!!

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I don't think the people who are making these murderous and ruthless decisions have any idea what affect it has on the mental health of genuine horse lovers who are witnessing the disgusting and sickening pictures of cruelty and callousness towards our beloved brumbies. These cruel horrors are having adverse affects on us and, speaking for myself, the stress is severely impacting my health to the point of uncontrollable tears for hours. I am certain there are many suffering this too. The sight of an innocent mare aborting their foal on being shot is horrific or a sweet foal dead, shot ruthlessly or left standing beside their dead mother only to die of starvation. How can these people sleep at night? I know I can't! So far, local residents have counted approximately 280 dead horses, all of which have been left behind to rot in the Park, including near campgrounds and in waterways. Left for the wild animals to feed on. It is advised that many of the horses do not appear to have died instantly, with bullet wounds found in the lungs, chest and neck that would have produced painful, slow deaths. The number of brumbies left are few...many less than what they say. At this rate of shooting, soon they will be all gone forever and the NSW Government will go down in history for this unnecessary slaughter. This must stop!!

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Shooting of our Heritage Brumbies is disgraceful behaviour from governments that are unable to maintain fuel reduction in these areas . Because they make bad decisions not only the cruelty of aerial shooting where a horse is wounded and suffering perhaps with a foal at foot but also the certainty in the future of our wildlife and humans being destroyed in a firestorm of unimaginable proportions. There are other ways to reduce the herds ! Medical desexing programs sanctuary's leave our brumbies to do their jobs keeping the grasses down . Most of these people who are making these decisions have never been out of their offices to actually see the carnage and cruelty that they are inflicting on our horses as well as the numbers they are implying are grossly wrong you are counting the same herds over and over again as they have in Victoria stop lying to the public ! And stop these killings

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Aerial culling is cruel, plain and simple. It's war. If you shoot, do it on the ground, on foot, and choose your target. Make the murder clean and quick. You have no right to murder sentient beings in this way. Poison, trapping and transportation to slaughter and aerial shooting are all barbarism. Disgusting. Trauma is having your choices taken away. You want to hope it never happens to you ...

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Aerial killing of brumbies is an extremely cruel practice, and totally against all considerations of Animal Welfare. Many brumbies will be left to die slowly and in extreme agony, if not killed outright. Aerial killing of feral animals Should be outlawed



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Earlier this year, the NSW Government announced its plan to start aerial shooting in Kosciuszko National Park. This came as a shock to many in the community who care deeply about the brumbies and their protection and anyone who opposes animal cruelty. We all remember what happened when brumbies were aially shot from helicopters at Guy Fawkes National Park in 2000. These beautiful animals need to be protected not cruelly chased down with helicopters and shot. This despicable practice is also being challenged in the USA, not for killing them with guns, they are corraling them with catastrophic results to the animals. Please investigate this further and make the humane choice. Don't kill the grumbles, protect them

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Hello, fellow Aussies, I am 84 yrs. old this November 2023, and never in my life have I been so disgusted and ashamed of my country, my fellow man, as I am today. Is the killing of our beautiful wild horses really necessary? Are the horses really damaging the country beyond its capacity to recover season by season? Has this been proven beyond doubt? There are so many different figures being strewn about regarding the brumbies excessive numbers, that it is impossible to know the truth. Even if it were true about the damage and the excessively high figures, aerial shooting is NOT the way to go. A recent photograph in the "Don't Blame it on the Brumbies" site, depicts a mare who was shot from above, giving birth. The foal's head was protruding. It had no chance of wriggling its way out with its dam now dead. It was the saddest sight I have seen. Have we, as a nation, sunk so low as to permit this inhumane cruelty to such majestic creatures, who, when needed, proved their worth? (they may well be needed in the future again.) And no, I haven't the answer. Have you? Let your voice be heard. ANOTHER WAY MUST BE FOUND! Yours, in hope,

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I am opposed to lethal population control. The USA manages wild horse populations successfully by darting them with contraceptive. Let's be modern and humane and look into that.

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As human beings surely in this century we have learnt to be humane! I strongly oppose the killing of brumbies in Kosciuszko, this would have to be the most insanely cruel action to take place. I oppose animal cruelty, and I care deeply for our horses especially those that are wild. Take a look at the wild horses of sable island both are protected ! Kosciuszko and the horses should be protected, left to run free and be wild. Stop interfering with nature, too much of our environment has been destroyed over the years by our ignorance and lack of concern for it , it will survive longer than us . We need it to survive!

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Aerial shooting is inhumane in anyone's language and there is not the numbers up there you lot ckaim is there. Know people that go there on regular visits & trek everywhere doing counts & taking photos of the so called damage done by brumbies. Pigs do far more damage than any herd of horses. You lot are full of it and don't really care about the environment only about control and wanting to eradicate all the horses by whatever means. This needs to stop. We the people DO NOT CONSENT.

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I think that this “ solution “ is a cruel and unnecessary one . Please do not go ahead with such a dreadful scheme . In the eyes of the world , we are going to look even more heartless towards our animals. As a senior citizen , I see no merit in your quick fix plan , at all. Please consider more a more humane attitude , instead of creating anger and sadness

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Please re-consider the way brumbies are being treated. What has happened so far is absolute cruelty and must be illegal according to the Animal Welfare Act. I realise they need to be managed, but there must be better ways of doing so.

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I wish to express my absolute horror and disgust that aerial shooting would ever been considered a humane way to control Brumby numbers in Kosciuszko National Park or anywhere else. It has already been established by previous aerial culls that you cannot hit and kill a moving target humanely. I ask that you please take this off the table immediately.



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This is a inhuman act of CRUELTY to our beautiful Australian Brumbies.Surely there is another way ..eg desexing to keep numbers steady.The current situation with Parks needs to be addressed.They are fudging numbers of brumby population.. killing and culling must STOP now

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Hello, Thankyou for the opportunity to have a say on the Government inquiry " Proposed aerial shooting of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park ".

My position is that I think aerial shooting is an incredibly cruel way to kill an animal that simply happens to be in the wrong location.

Aerial shooting is not humane. Killing hundreds of terrorised animals from a moving position will inevitably cause suffering and prolonged deaths to many brumbies.

Why isn't the government using long term strategies to resolve the problem such as fertility control measures that are available rather than resorting as ever to killing a problem in any way they can - a problem that is of own making.

Thankyou

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Please let our brumbies stay free and live in the Snowy Mountains. Please listen to the many people who constantly monitor their situation and that know the family groups. They know that the numbers of brumbies are not as great as has been stated in reports. These people travel all over the mountains and know their numbers are very low. The pictures they take are proof of the family groups and the pristine conditions in the areas that the brumbies frequently use. There are many more feral animals such as pigs, deer etc that do the damage to the waterways as a result of their usage. Our brumbies are of significant heritage value and are mentioned in historical data . Please do not cull the brumbies and destroy their family groups.

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The Australian brumby, must be declared an Australian icon and protected. This has worked in other nations in the world. Sanctuaries need to be declared immediatly and the massacre stopped. We need to protect our Brumbies, they are a part of Australia just like ALL of us. When we reflect on how they became Brumbies, it is story that is of national significance. The fact that Brumbies assist and work in harmony with our environment, is a fact. So, get on board and save our Brumbies.

Thankyou

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The aerial culling of brumbies has been proven to be inhumane (see Guy Fawkes NP incident) as well as unnecessary. The brumby counting method used to date is totally flawed with widely exaggerated figures being used by the Green agenda of the NPWS to prove an unprovable case.

Get a real count of the actual number of horses, then consult with the community re: any real need to reduce those numbers.

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I would like to comment on the outrageous bill to kill the Kosciuszko Brumbies by aerial shooting. This is totally un-Australian, and more counts need to be done since the 1st submission to kill them.

The latest information of hikers, holiday makers keeping away from the Snowy mountains because of the number of dead horses left on the ground for all to see and the smell that they have created. The NSW Parks are supposed to take the dead away not left to rott. This is a disgusting way to treat any animal and I for one are sickened by this infomation, it is inhumane to aerial shoot and the way they have employed shooters to take as many out as possible is a disgrace, shooting mares in foal, foals, all the horses. Tourists also come to the Snowy Mountains to see our beautiful Brumbies running free not shot and left where they fell. Disgusted to be Australian. Penny Sharpe needs to have a good look at herself and her policies.

Who are you trying to kid that there are 30,000 Brumbies (WRONG NUMBERS) Penny.

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Please do not allow inhumane culling of Brumbies.

Ariel shooting results in animals being maimed and left to die painful deaths.

There is no guarantee of humanness.

It is very cruel.

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The news of the NSW Government's plan to aerial shoot Kosciuszko Brumbies is deeply disturbing.

Aerial shooting has proven to be immensely cruel in the past. The images shared from the previous barbaric acts haunt me.

Aerial shooting is not acceptable. It is outdated and leaves myself and many others questioning the current government's morals, ethics and real agendas. It would be a clear display of complete disregard for the voice of their people. Where is the empathy and compassion for the horses who would lose their life prematurely and all the people that care so deeply for them who have pleaded and pleaded for their lives to be spared.

Not only this, it is well known amongst horse communities that Brumbies are actually some of the better horses and ponies we can have. They are impressively hardy and intelligent. Having them shot is such an indescribable waste.

People have been calling for accurate head counts and this has been ignored. Why is that? As far as I've seen, many arguments against the Brumbies are flawed. Surely those debatable points can't justify the traumatic event of aerial shooting.

I would love to see the Brumbies remain where they are. It would be a sad day to not have them there anymore. If the governemnt wont let that happen then at least don't massacre them. Please support the rescues and rehomers and consider other options before shooting them.



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A proper count of the Brumbies should be done and if any need to be removed they should be given to Brumby supporters and rehomed.

Brumbies are beautiful sentient animals that are good for the eco system.

Just look at how the UK uses their wild horses.

Please, do not shoot our Brumbies!

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As a close neighbour and frequent user of the park I can assure you that I have seen nowhere near the number of brumbies suggested by the pro shooting lobby. Indeed, the biggest threat that I actually see is from the failure to manage noxious weed invasion and the lack of infrastructure to support the increase in numbers of people using and abusing the land within the park. On a practical note, I saw photos taken of the brumby mob shot in KNP recently clearly showing decomposing corpses left in situ, including in the water. I am also aware that these photos were shown in person to the NPWS and the EPA and NO ACTION was taken. This is not protecting the environment. It is a blunt and inhumane strategy that has a very real chance of damaging natural resources that others in the area rely on. I strongly object to the government proposal to conduct aerial culling of brumbies in KNP.

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I am totally against the arial shooting of the brumbies in our national parks. It is totally inhumane. and the whole world must be shocked by the treatment dealt to these animals. Countries such as the UK and in the state of Montana, USA, have learnt to live with their wild horses and, have in fact turned them into tourist attractions. The removal of our horses will lead wildfires to cause intense damage to the fauna and flora throughout the countryside. Animals such as pigs, deer and rabbits cause far more damage than horses. Rabbits will eat the roots of grasses; deer ringbark trees and pigs wallow until they turn water holes to mud. A true count, which so far has never been seen to be an honest count by Parks, should be made by people with no hidden agenda.

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I have grave concerns regarding the proposed aerial shooting of the brumbies. This can not be done humanly and in the past has proven this. Mares with foals and injured horses left to die in terrible circumstances. The government processes in place for counting of these horses is flawed. The actual figures differ greatly. The mentions of damage to lakes rivers etc in the park seems utterly ridiculous when feral animals are not policed and the dumping of rubbish and contamination from snowy hydro works don't get highlighted. These iconic horses that are part of our heritage need a plan for now and well into the future. I am aware that the practises of rehoming have been utilised however the system is flawed, not relegated and not monitored and many horses are being purchased and sent to slaughterhouse. This rehoming program needs to have a competent body to oversee more closely.

Sending brumbies to a slaughterhouse in my eyes is not an option, the amount of stress that would be placed on these animals would be horrendous.

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Please stop the killing of brumbies altogether. This is inhumane and we Australians are better than this.

I don't know how many of the brumbies have survived the Bushfires of last year, but if we need to decimate the numbers of the brumbies, there has to be methods and ways to prevent them breeding. How about using the helicopters to spread some material, which prevents them to breed, like a contraceptive for horses.

We are in the end in the 21st century, not the middle ages anymore.

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Please!! can you please reconsider the treatment of the Australian Brumbies. Please do a recount to see how many exactly are living in the Parks where they are being slaughtered. There must be a better way to manage these magnificent animals and also address the damage being done to the Park by the Snowy 2 which is astronomical!

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I'm completely opposed to aerial culling on cruelty grounds

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That the Animal Welfare Committee inquire into and report on the proposed aerial shooting of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park and surrounding areas, and in particular: \* C. The status of, and threats to, endangered species in Kosciuszko National Park. Many species of vulnerable animals are threatened by probable wayward bullets, noise of gunfire and associated threats by man whether it be by helicopter or on foot. This can cause incredible amounts of stress on these animals. These are very real threats which are not taken into consideration when such an operation is undertaken. \* E. The animal welfare concerns associated with aerial shooting: Horses are shot from afar whether it be from aerial shooting or on ground. This process of attempted cull is cruel beyond words as direct aim is almost impossible. The horses die from unbelievable stress and pain for long periods of time. This method of culling is totally unacceptable and thus should be outlawed. \* I. Any other related matters: Many people of this country and overseas find this cull of the Kosciuszko National Park horses appalling. Social media reviews and responses show negative reactions which in turn looks bad for our country. I for one was a proud Australian but cannot call myself proud when this atrocity is permitted to continue. We can only hope that the decision makers of this enquiry do what is morally and ethically right for the sake of these sentient, innocent beings.



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I do not support aerial culling under any circumstances & request an urgent physical recount of current numbers of brumbies in the park as the purported numbers are heavily in question.

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I wish to make a submission for the Kosciuszko brumbies. I would like to plead that the aerial shooting of these precious taonga/treasure be immediately cancelled. These brumbies are loved worldwide and are an Australian heritage animal. The horses can be managed in so many more practical ways such as the kaimanawa horses of New Zealand have been. There are so few wild animal populations left in the world! A National geographic reporter has reported that over a ten year period of photographing day to day life across the world that less than a dozen of those days have they encountered wild animal populations which are thriving and abundant. Please don't let Australia's heritage brumbies be added to the list of non existent wildlife. Please take the time and use public consultation to come up with a sustainable and kind way of managing the brumby population so that it remains a beautiful and real Australian heritage and protected animal. Use those who know the brumbies and have spent their time and lives amongst them as part of your consultation. Use the knowledge of those who know them.

Thank you for taking the time to read and consider my submission.

(New Zealand)

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I am absolutely disgusted at the thought that NPWS of KNP want to continue with the eradication of our Australian Heritage horses. Not only is the trapping, ground shooting horrendous but now they want to start aerial shooting, which is terribly inhumane and cruel. You cant make a kill shot from a moving helicopter. This is starting to sound like Guy Fawkes and Singleton all over again. Please leave what is left of our aussie brumbies alone, they help so much with the conservation of our parks and help with bushfire control. STOP THIS SENSELESS MURDERING OF OUR HERITAGE HORSES!!!

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I stringly disagree with aerial shooting of any animal and this includes the Australian Brumby. The horrendous death suffered being shot in the neck, back, rump is not the Australian way. Marksmen cannot shoot perfectly every time and the cruelty involved is disgraceful. We don't allow any animals suffer and there is an incredible amount of cruelty involved with aerial shooting. Please DO NOT allow these animals die in such an appalling manner..

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I absolutely oppose the shooting or harm to our Heritage Brumby horses.

I saved one from KNP 12 months ago, and he's the best horse I've ever owned.

No dirt, super smart and easily trained.

Take the rehoming option. Please don't kill them off.

Horse lovers from all over the world come to see them

In their natural environment.

Cull the deer, pigs, and other things that actually damage

Our parks , Not the Brumbies

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I consider aerial or any other shooting of Australian heritage horses as barbaric, cruel and abhorrent. Ducks have more consideration. Having spent a lot of time in the Kosciusko national park I know first hand that the supposed brumby numbers are flawed and the environment is in pristine condition apart from the construction sites. I have rehomed 5 brumbies and helped rehome another 17 of the most beautiful horses you could imagine yet they are being slaughtered by the outspoken green minority who probably have never even seen the park. Leave the ones that are left alone please please.

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I have worked with horses for 15 years and wrote a submission several years ago on the topic of culling or shooting horses from helicopters, arguing it cannot be done accurately nor humanely and is therefore unethical and unsustainable.

Given that Australia is now entering another extreme to catastrophic fire risk season, now is not the time to reduce brumby numbers in our national parks - which are not as high as falsely claimed by horse hating so-called environmentalists responsible for the build-up of bushfire fuelling volatile grasses in our national parks.

There are more humane and ethical methods of managing wild horses on public lands. Brumbies are an Australian icon and should not be shot from helicopters.

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Thank you for raising this inquiry.

The use of aerial shooting on horses is a barbaric practice with very low welfare outcomes in the field. When people speak of aerial culling, they use terms like "when carried out by highly trained professionals". These same highly trained professionals FAIL to deliver the outcomes written in SOPs, even with the highest tech equipment. Statistically and realistically they fail and animals of all kinds suffer immensely.

There has been too much suffering already.

There is no justification for any killing of brumbies based on the flawed population figures of the Cairns surveys. A true, evidenced account of the current brumby population must be established before any further removal occurs.

Horses should never be sent to a knackery or abattoir.

The truth must prevail. We cannot allow such a unique Australian icon to be destroyed based on lies and misplaced blame.

I urge each and every one of you to visit Kosciuszko under the guidance of brumby advocates to see first hand the state of the environment where brumbies reside, and a true explanation of the "damage" sites used by extreme lobby groups to influence Government policy.



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The NSW NPWS has proven themselves as an unreliable manager of public lands across NSW. Grassroots Indigenous Australians from several mobs in NSW, notably Ngarigo Nation are disturbed by the management practices utilised by the bureaucracy. From inhumane culling of horses to the poor management, ecological management for better regulated fire regimes and through to the execution of threatened and endangered species programs which continually failed. We reference the 2018 Corroboree Frog Program in the park that was destroyed.

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Treatment of brumbies. Brumbies have been unfairly scapegoated for too long. Environmental damage in Kosciuszko National Park cannot be solely attributed to brumbies; there are numerous contributing factors, including Snowy 2, increased tourism development, 4-wheel driving, and agricultural runoff. Recent incidents have highlighted the brutality brumbies face. In September, the Liberal-National Government shot an entire herd of brumbies in Kosciuszko National Park, causing immense trauma to the community. Many horses suffered slow and agonising deaths, including pregnant mares who lost their foals. This is not humane. In May of this year, 67 horses in Kosciuszko National Park met a similarly brutal fate, shot in their necks and left to bleed out. Pregnant mares and foals perished. The government may label its brumby shooting and trapping program as humane, but it is anything but. The true extent of the killings and the fate of these horses remain uncertain. The survey methodology for counting brumbies has significant flaws, as highlighted by Independent Bio-statistician Claire Galea's recent report. Adding up horse counts from different years is not accurate or ethical – it's deception, not statistics. Implausible population estimates from flawed modelling techniques have been an ongoing concern, and one the Animal Justice Party has raised over many years. This Inquiry will be investigating current methodologies and calling for transparency and accuracy when assessing the brumby population.