

**Submission
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**INQUIRY INTO MANAGEMENT OF PUBLIC LAND IN
NEW SOUTH WALES**

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I cant believe that you would allow shooters into our National Parks

- Australia has international and national obligations to conserve biological diversity and this we can do by preserving the integrity of our public land under conservation and in fact extending it where ever possible.
- By signing the Convention on Biological Diversity in 1993 we promised “to sustain the rich diversity of life on Earth”. We must take this obligation seriously.
- The Federal Government’s National Reserve System works to increase the amount of land under conservation. It is underpinned by a scientific framework to ensure that Australia progressively extends protection to examples of all our ecosystems.
- The scientific framework has a clear objective: to develop a ‘comprehensive, adequate and representative’ system of protected areas – commonly referred to as the ‘CAR’ reserve system.
- Local economies benefit from ecological sustainable activities and must be permitted time to adjust to changing or new activities once public land has been converted to conservation land. eg. River Red Gum State Forests in the southern Riverina will not only support the natural environment but given time will boost local economies through sustainable industries.
- Check out the NSW National Parks Establishment Plan 2008 for a good summary of our obligations to ensure a healthy reserve system for NSW and why continuing to build the reserve system is so important.

regards

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