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**INQUIRY INTO HEALTH AND WELLBEING OF
KANGAROOS AND OTHER MACROPODS IN NEW SOUTH
WALES**

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I live on _____ at _____. I have volunteered and been trained by Wires to rehabilitate and release wildlife, mostly macropods. I also had a large number of wildlife on my land, which lived here in safety. My neighbours decided two years ago to get rid of the Macropods as they said they are bothering them. These neighbours have lived here on thirty hectares, with a few ponies for over forty years. They promised me that the wildlife would always be safe but then made the decision to start shooting them. Although they obtained a licence, they have continued to shoot them well after their licence expired. The husband shoots day and night, with all sorts of guns and uses the excuse that he is ex-Army so he can. He shoots in the middle of the night and the day, and shoots wildlife and other species as well, he boasts. I find this so distressing as there is a lot of feed here for all the animals even during the drought. Knowing how beautiful and family oriented macropods are, I cannot believe that this neighbour won't listen to me or any documentation I show him, to demonstrate that macropods do not eat the quantities he believes. Because I live here with only my disabled daughter in what was a peaceful place, the local Police have advised me to refrain from engaging with him or trying to protect the wildlife. Please stop this ability for gun happy people to destroy our beautiful wildlife