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

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The culling of any animals is an outdated practise of grand proportions and cost. It should not be allowed to continue. Just as other things like duck season have been reversed post actions to be banned.

As a volunteer firefighter and a farm owner and worker, the decisions of those in office are unfounded and misled.

The brumbies and also the highland cattle should be left alone and reintroduced immediately in our days of climate change as we have seen the loss from lives, animals, homes, farms and land degradation and reduction as primary produced property.

This affect is prevalent, occurring now even. Bermagui have fires in NSW and had 60mm of rain (an unusual dump amount) which has still failed to out out that fire. The Gippsland fires are horrific already and in the firefighting business it is only pre season. People's lives are at risk. Infrastructure, land, animals and volunteers alike are all putting themselves at risk based on the impact incorrect changes to the way we reduce fuel.

Bring back the cattle, leave the Brumbies the hell alone to also do their job and please review the number of volunteers leaving fire fighting duties by lessening the applicants and transfer roles to that of paid firefighters. We are failing to get the numbers to roll out trucks in emergencies, are breaking down at emergencies due to the impact this is all having.

Let the animals do there roles and stop bringing in ill informed and unwarranted changes which are antiquated.