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Dear Minister Parker

It is very hard for me to put into words how outraged I feel that our national parks - supposedly for the benefit of the public and the native animals, (who, after all, have very little habitat left) - will soon be open to every man and his brother to go in there and shoot the life out of anything that moves.

Who will be policing this insane law? Nobody! NPWS doesn't have the staff to trek through vast tracts of forest checking on shooters' licences and making sure they are not shooting too many or shooting the wrong species - nor do the police.

If the Liberal government is serious about stopping feral animals incursion into national parks, the way to do it is by hiring professional shooters, not amateur shooters.

Finally who will be responsible for the first human death? Will it be the death of a pregnant woman, a child or an international tourist? Why must we wait till people die from flying bullets before we stop this utter madness?

I am disappointed that you are not speaking up against this ludicrous bill by the Premier.

Initially Premier O'Farrell claimed that no shooting would take place in World Heritage Parks yet Nightcap National Park is a World Heritage Park so why is it on the list?

Please explain!

I am beyond appalled, disgusted, saddened and profoundly grief-stricken for our native animals. It is precisely because of idiotic government policies such as this that Australia has the world's worst record in mammal extinctions. This bill will make things far worse than our worst nightmare!!