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Submission to Wild Horse enquiry
Impacts and management of feral horses in the Australian Alps

Dear Sirs

I wish to address the issues of management of wild Horses in areas of NSW and Victoria. I have been actively involved in these matters as an advocate and rescue for over 12 years and in this time not once has any submission provided by any advocate been addressed nor responded to.

Wild horse management must address the issues raised by those concerned for the preservation of genetic history and conscious attachment to the past of the efforts horses brought to settlement and war, it is not an airy fairy belief it is one that holds true for many Australians and international followers.

A society that can only address matters of concern by slaughter and eradication of a species is one that is archaic with no vision toward future issues that may occur after such a dramatic incident.

Whilst we all love our environment and certainly want to do what's best for future generations it is time for a sensible approach to issues raised by the green movement.

Humane management has only been conducted by individual groups and associations with no financial support from government departments yet funding is allocated to groups such as invasive species and the like.

Rehoming advocacy and management done by wild horse groups has been exemplary with animals being utilized in the equine industry and companion animals. Many programs are actively addressing the issues of utilizing the very animal the government have marked as feral pest, it is time funding went into humane management strategies provided by groups and associations doing the hard yards alone.



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Government support such as allocating areas of land to be used for wild horse management. Funding to registered wild horse rehomers to ensure good horse management practice are possible.

Assisting Research such has been done privately re genetic strengths and history of the world wild horses with Texas University.

Acknowledging conservation grazing trials across the world where wild horses assist the environment.

Admitting that the wild horses are a scape goat for many other events happening in our national parks and under the mismanagement of government agencies.

Instigating proper scientific studies that are not biased by the green movement and using proper count measures that are conducive to correct wild horse numbers in areas of concern.

We ask that consideration is given to humane management strategies the wild horse advocates and rehomers bring to the table, acknowledgement of the benefits to all areas of environment and community are necessary for the future of Australia and the wild horses many hold dear.

I have attached some documentation of wild horses in domestic life something that is awe inspiring and a validation of the worth to many of these iconic animals to many.

Our website address is <https://www.hoofs2010.org.au/>

Regards
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ANCESTRAL EQUINE DNA REPORT

Name of Horse: NOVA K15	Owner's Name:
	Lab Accession # 115802

No	BREED	1st	2nd	3rd	No	BREED	1st	2nd	3rd
1	Akhal Teke				26	Lusitano			
2	Cream Draft				27	Mangalarga			
3	Saddlebred				28	Mangalarga Marchador			
4	Andalusian				29	Missouri Fox Trotter			
5	Arabian				30	Mountain Pleasure Horse			
6	Argentine Criollo			x	31	Morgan Horse			
7	Belgian Draft				32	Noriker			
8	Campolino				33	Norwegian Fjord			
9	Caspian				34	Percheron			
10	Chilean Criollo		x		35	Peruvian Paso			
11	Cleveland Bay				36	Puerto Rican Paso Fino			
12	Clydesdale				37	Quarter Horse			
13	Dales Pony				38	Rocky Mountain Horse			
14	Exmoor Pony				39	Shetland Pony			
15	Fell Pony				40	Shire			
16	Selle Francais				41	Standardbred			
17	Friesian				42	Suffolk			
18	Galiceno				43	Tennessee Walker			
19	Garrano				44	Thoroughbred			
20	Hackney Horse				45	Trakehner			
21	Haflinger				46	Turkoman			
22	Hanoverian				47	Venezuelan Criollo			
23	Highland Pony				48	Welsh Pony			
24	Icelandic Horse				49	Colombian Paso Fino			
25	Lipizzaner				50	Waler	x		
					51	Timor Pony			

Please see website for explanation: <http://vetmed.tamu.edu/animalgenetics/horse-ancestry>

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Over 200 Wild Horses have been DNA tested to date, with amazing results that show Horse genetics that are no longer found in Australia for over 100 years. Inbreeding is only a very small percentage and research needs to be elevated to ensure Genetic strengths are secured for future Equine health.

We just ask for consideration after many years of trying to be heard, Humane management is possible with a clear mind set to retaining wild horses as a part of our future.

In closing its time to work with advocates for a positive future in all aspects

Regards
Lynette Sutton

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