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Submission for the investigation "Central West Investigation" submitted 22nd. October, 2018 Title: Mr. First Name: Frank Surname: Deutsch Dear Sir/Madam, It is a "here we go again- ground hog day". I like many other thousands of bush users, that occasionally manage to find the time and need to get away from the hassle and bustle of modern life, consequently pick up our metal detector and enjoy the natural beauty of the Australian bush. Many retired, but still healthy people enjoy this great hobby, that gets us out into the bush and fresh air and to some degree "follow our dream" of finding a small nugget, but also observe nature at it's very best. For us, retirees and other bush users, prospecting is a way of life and of keeping fit and some irresponsible Quasi-Government agency, such as the VEAC wants to restrict and/or completely remove our rights, that Miners have won at the Eureka Stockade? There is absolutely no good reason for such action by any Government. Our State Parks belong to the people of the State of Victoria. If this ill-conceived action by the VEAC were to proceed, there are many consequences that will have a very adverse effect on the bush and businesses in Country Victoria, just a few listed below: 1. Bush fire intensity will increase (whenever bush is left by itself without any proper management, fire load increases beyond safe limits. Periodic burning during the colder months keeps fire load to an acceptable level and keeps the native wild-life save from the huge brushfires, that kills everything. 2. Irrespective of any "Greens" claims, the bush environment will have far less desirable human interaction and "undesirable human inter-action" will occur. this means, more marijuana fields not being discovered and reported, etc. Other criminal activity will increase as it has on other occasions. 3. Dogmatic rhetoric by the "Green groups" about protecting nature are just that, the bush and the wild life will have actually have far less protection due to Victorians being banned from access to their right-full place and right-full activity of using their bush. 4. Prospecting and other present activities as encouraged in State Parks are in fact not just a right for Victorians, it's our heritage. If the "Greenies" would have as much common sense as compassion, there would be a way forward. I trust that you, the VEAC and the Labor government will have the good sense to stop any further activity and recommend that Victorians are the joint-owners and

guardians of State Parks. It's not up to any Government or Quasi-Government agency to ban us from our heritage for whatever ill-considered reason or international treaty. Faithfully [Frank Deutsch](#)

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