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Description:

I write as a resident of Ashbourne who often walks a dog or rides a horse into the Wombat Forest at the end of Falloons Road. While I support the plans for the Wombat Forest I am concerned about the possibility of saw logging - it should not be allowed - and about the management of the parks. An example of poor Parks management is The Alpine National Park where pest animals and weeds are not well controlled, presumably because of lack of funding and lack of staff. The Wombat parks need to be well managed and programs need to be undertaken to remove pigs and deer, the latter in particular is increasingly becoming a danger for riders. Both animals destroy native vegetation. Gorse is also encroaching on the edge of the forest. I also think 4-wheel driving should be limited to the major roads within the parks as the vehicles gauge huge ditches in narrow tracks so that horse riders have to deviate from the track and make a new one - not good. With the increasing likelihood of bushfires controlled cool burning should be continued .

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